Not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord — Deuteronomy 8:3b

If God so loved us, we also must love one another.
— 1 John 4:11
Celebrating over a Century of Faith and Education

St. Barbara Parish is a Roman Catholic community celebrating a century of faith in the Bridgeport area. Our faith community welcomes all people, helping them grow spiritually through liturgy, prayer, and education, and socially through activities for all ages. Our school takes great pride in fostering these values in our children. We give witness to our faith by sharing with each other our God-given gifts and talents. We nourish and sustain our faith as a family by celebrating the sacraments and the presence of the risen Lord among us in the Eucharist.

A Prayer for “Renew My Church”

Lord Jesus, You speak to us today, as You spoke to holy men and women who have gone before us. In every age and in our own time, You call to us and say: Renew My Church.

Pour out the gift of Your Holy Spirit upon us, and so enable us

to hear You clearly

to listen to each other attentively

to imagine our future boldly

to discern Your direction wisely

to persevere in Your holy will courageously

to stay together in charity

to surrender our own plans readily

to embrace the greater good

to hand on Your gifts to future generations.

May we remain in the holy company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles, and all the saints. May their example and presence inspire us with patient confidence in the work of Your grace.

We ask this of You who live and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

OFFERTORY GIFT BEARERS

If a Mass is being said for a special intention and you would like to take up the gifts at the Offertory, please let the ushers know before Mass. They are always looking for volunteers to take up the gifts.

THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

Thursday was the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord. This day commemorates forty days after Jesus rose from the dead and is ascended bodily into heaven. While not a holy day of obligation, it is still a great feast in the Church. The feast will be celebrated today.

Mother’s Day Mass Remembrance

Mother - Grandmother - Godmother - Aunt - Sister

Today is Mother’s Day. Remembrance envelopes are available in back of church. Please return them with the names of all mothers to be remembered. Your intentions will be remembered in special Masses offered up throughout the year. You are asked to include a donation that is suitable to your intentions. Envelopes can also be brought to the rectory office. Please submit any intentions to the rectory by Tuesday, May 15th, so that we may publish the list in next week’s bulletin.

May, The Month of Mary

Because May is the month of Mary, all weekday Masses will be held at 6:00 pm. The only exceptions will be the Friday morning school children’s Mass at 8:30 am, the Saturday morning Mass at 8:30 am, and the Memorial Day Mass (May 28th), which will be held at 9:00 am. After Mass, we will pray the Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.
FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today, the universal Church celebrates the Feast of the Ascension.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, “Incorporated into Christ by Baptism, the person baptized is configured to Christ.” (1272).

This means that, through our baptism, we become members of Christ’s Body. If we are baptized, then we are with Jesus. If Jesus is at the right hand of God, then this means that, in Jesus, we too are at the right hand of God. Can you imagine being so close to God?!

Usually in our daily lives we do not remember that we have the amazing privilege to be so close to God.

But today, Jesus’ Ascension reminds us about the truth that: God is always with us.

His Ascension also reminds us that, on our part, we are called to be present to God, to remember about Him, to live according to His will in every moment of our lives.

Through our Baptism, we have everything we need because God is right next to us. He is even in us when we receive the Eucharist!

Let us try to remember this wonderful reality. This will bring us peace.

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Fr. Andrzej and I wish all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, aunts, sisters, mothers-to-be and mother-figures a Very Happy and Blessed Mother’s Day. May your families realize what a blessing God gave them when He made you!

Fr. Arthur

MRS. NOLAZCO RECEIVES ANOTHER MASTER’S DEGREE!!

Mrs. Nolazco graduated on Saturday, May 5th, with her Master’s Degree in School Leadership. Mrs. Nolazco has been attending courses at Concordia University for the past two years — the same university where she obtained her Master’s Degree in Curriculum and Instruction in 2011. Congratulations, Mrs. Nolazco! We are very proud of your accomplishments.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Clothing Drive — This Weekend!

Spring is here … and it’s time for our Annual Clothing Drive.

When: Saturday, May 12th, 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Sunday, May 13th, 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Where: The north parking lot next to the Church. Our trailer will be waiting for your bundled, bagged or boxed clothing.

Small appliances are welcome.

PLEASE: NO BABY FURNITURE

Also, please tie or rubber band shoes separately.

WE THANK YOU!

HOLY COMMUNION

If you find it difficult to walk to the front of the Church to receive Holy Communion, please notify one of the ushers before Mass that you would like a priest to bring Communion to you.

Caregivers Wanted: Caregivers are needed for a parishioner who requires round-the-clock care. If interested, please call the rectory (312) 842-7979.
Activities This Week

Sun., May 13 - St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive; 8:30 am - 1:30 pm
Tues., May 15 - St. Barbara Seniors Mtg.; 11:30 am
- Quigley KC’s Quad Mtg; 7:00 pm;
- Council Mtg.; 7:30 pm
Wed., May 16 - Preschool/Kindergarten Reading Night; 6:30 pm
Fri., May 18 - School Mass w/May Crowning; 8:30 am
Sat., May 19 - Teen Night; 6:00 pm

HOLY NAME NEWS

Our next choir practice will be on Wednesday, May 16th at 7:00 pm.

SAVE THE DATE

The 5th annual Car Show will be held on Saturday, August 18th. Free viewing is open to the public from 1:00 - 8:00 pm. The parking lot and registration opens at 12:00 pm. Show car registration fee is $20.00. If you need any additional information, please call Phil Whitehouse, (312) 316-3888.

Special guests at the show will be the country group “Top Guns”.

Notes from the Carnival Corner:

Can you believe our 4th Carnival will be here in 33 days? The committee has been working diligently over the last 6 months to make this the best carnival for St. Barbara.

Thank you for all who have already turned in their raffle tickets. We are still far from our goal of $10,000, so please consider supporting the carnival by purchasing your raffle tickets. If you would like more tickets, they are available at the rectory during business hours. Our next Early Bird Drawing is May 15th, so make sure you get your tickets in to make the drawing.

Mega Passes are now also available at the rectory for a Presale cost of $50.00; they will be $60.00 at the carnival. This pass is good for all 4 days, and I have been told there will be a new ride making its appearance at our carnival, along with the return of the Tilt-a-Whirl and the other awesome rides.

We are still looking for Sponsors/Wellwishers for our carnival. We are roughly $4,800 short of reaching our goal. Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. John Lyons, Darlene Mislich, Tupperware, and P & S Auto for their donations — they are greatly appreciated. Can we count on you to reach this goal?

While you are spring cleaning, if you come across any items that you received and no longer want, we are looking for prizes. Feel free to drop them off at the rectory.

Starting this weekend, our Angel Wish Lists will be available in the back of the church. If you would like to donate but are unable to get to the store, you can make a monetary donation towards these items. There is a carnival donation box in the back of the church.

I know we can always count on St. Barbara Parishioners to make this a success.

If you haven’t looked at our website, check it out at http://deholland615.wix.com/st-barbara-carnival for up-to-date information.

Happy Mother’s Day!

Thursday,
May 3, 2018

Frances
$500 Coverall
2018 First Communion
Congratulations to our 2018 First Communicants! May the light of Christ guide them always. Thank you, Mrs. Jurisic, for helping them see Christ’s true presence in the Eucharist.

Eighth Grade Ribbon Mass
Last Friday, the Class of 2018 moved one step closer to graduation! During a special Mass, they received their class ribbons. Thank you, 8th grade, for always representing the best St. Barbara has to offer!

Boy and Girl of the Year Ceremony & All-American Eagles Essay Contest
Last week, the 11th Ward Democratic Party held their annual Boy and Girl of the Year Ceremony to honor students who show exemplary leadership skills and who excel academically. St. Barbara School is proud to announce that eighth grader, Claudia Jimenez, received first place recognition. Seventh grader, Valerie Brost, was a runner up and received high recognition as well. We are proud of our students and wish them continued success!

Congratulations to Dario Kwiatkowski-Perez for his first place finish at the Bill Lipinski All-American Eagles Essay Contest! Keep up the great work!
Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 12 - Vigil of The Ascension of the Lord
5:00 p.m. + 57th Wed. Ann.: Dave & Geri Kaput (Family)
  + Joseph Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
  + Josephine Kavalauskas (Jan)
  + Joy Swulius (Family)
  + Jose Lara (Marja Herrera)
  + Ann.: Gertrude Mierzwinski
  Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

Sunday, May 13 - The Ascension of The Lord
6:00 a.m. All Mothers, Living and Deceased
9:30 a.m. All Mothers, Living and Deceased
11:30 a.m. All Mothers, Living and Deceased

Monday, May 14 - St. Matthias
6:00 p.m. + Rose Furmanek (Sonny Furmanek)
  + Casimira Nowak (Your Family)
  Health Blessings: Ted Piorecki

Tuesday, May 15 - Easter Weekday
6:00 p.m. + Pearl Bartkowski (Ed & B. Glabicki)
  Divine Mercy for All (Grateful Parishioner)

Wednesday, May 16 - Easter Weekday
6:00 p.m. + Carrie Nowak (St. Barbara Senior Club)
  In Thanksgiving for All Blessings (Maria Saludo)

Thursday, May 17 - Easter Weekday
6:00 p.m. + The Mezydlo Family: John, Genevieve, Genevieve (Jean), Aloysius, Eleanor

Friday, May 18 - Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. + David Maeshiba (Felice Allen)
6:00 p.m. + Carol & Ray Miller (Ed & B. Glabicki)

Saturday, May 19 - Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. + All Souls’ Day Remembrance

Saturday, May 19 - Vigil of Pentecost Sunday
5:00 p.m. + Casimira Nowak (Deborah Curi)
  Health Blessings: Ed Glos (Virginia Pienta)
  Birthday Blessings: Saturnino Saludo (Family)
  Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente)

Sunday, May 20 - Pentecost Sunday
6:00 a.m. + Donald Rolek (Steve Oleszkiewicz)
  + Gene & Bernice Korso (Bill & Barbara Webb)
9:30 a.m. + Lottie Kuberska (Family)
  + Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)
11:30 a.m. + Stanley Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
  + David Maeshiba (Greg & Betty Ramel)
  + Rose Mary Mulhearn (Barbara Hudren)
  + Birthday Rem.: Sophie Jachim (Dan & Anita Isacson)
  + 58th Ann.: Aniceto M Saludo, Sr. (Family)
    (For May 16th)

Weekly Collection - May 5th - 6th

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Electronic giving through GiveCentral.org is the safe and secure way to make your weekly donations to St. Barbara. Donate via credit card or electronic check (ACH). Sign up by visiting St. Barbara’s home WEB page and follow the prompts.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH
5:00 p.m.
Altar Servers: Q. Do, A. Torres, A. Lemke, M. Lemke, G. Godinez
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Lukwinski, R. Carden, Lectors: W. Podrazik, G. Dumelle

SUNDAY, MAY 20TH
6:00 a.m.
Altar Server: G. Vanderford
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Guest, J. Balasa
Lector: J. Bertucci
9:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: N. Perez, J. Castaneda, L. Castaneda, E. Castaneda, D. Prieto, J. Gonzalez
Eucharistic Ministers: P. Rodriguez, J. Rodriguez
Lectors: Henry Diaz DeLeon
11:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: A. Calderon, L. Calderon, N. Calderon, A. Alonzo, V. Sandoval, G. Parcon
Eucharistic Ministers: H. Alonzo, A. Alonzo
Lectors: E. Pollock, L. Szczepanski
Baptisms: Parents must be registered practicing parishioners and attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled. Call the rectory office for further information.

Communion Calls: Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death.

Ministry of Care: Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass. Notify the Parish Office when this service is needed.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

Weddings: Weddings need to be scheduled at least six months in advance. Couples are reminded to secure the Church date before the reception hall.

Moving/New Cell #: Please contact the rectory with address change or telephone change.

Please pray for those homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers...


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Mass Schedule
Sunday Liturgies
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 6:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Liturgies
8:30 a.m.: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 6:00 p.m.: Tuesday

Holy Days of Obligation
6:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Confession
Saturday 3:45-4:30 p.m.

First Friday Devotions
Mass at 8:30 a.m., followed by a short period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Evening Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Exposition and Adoration, concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30 p.m.

The Rosary
Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. before the 6:00 p.m. Mass, and on Sunday at 5:30 a.m. before the 6:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

Office Hours
Monday-Wednesday, Friday: 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; 1:30-4:00 p.m. The office is closed on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.