The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

— Psalm 19:8
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.
Dear People of St. Barbara,

Last Sunday I talked about jealousy. The letter of St. James told us that where there is jealousy there is disorder. Today, one week later, two readings speak about jealousy. In the first reading, from the Book of Numbers, God took the spirit that was on Moses and gave it to seventy elders which allowed them to prophesy, but two old men weren’t together and they also received from God the spirit to prophesy. God did this because He is good and He wants everybody to have His graces and have His spirit.

Moses said to the people, “Why are you jealous? I wish that all people would be prophets and receive the spirit.” Really, this is happening. God poured out from heaven His love, His spirit and a million graces, and many people receive it and experience them. But very many people walk on the earth with umbrellas made of steel and God’s love. His graces and His spirit cannot reach them.

Tomorrow we begin the month of October. It is the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary—a simple and one of the most beautiful prayers. Also, it is a most powerful prayer. Why is this a powerful prayer? I think because in this prayer we use the word of God. First of all, we say “Our Father”, from where this prayer comes. This is a prayer which Jesus taught His disciples when they asked Him to teach them to pray. They are Jesus’ words: “Our Father, who art in heaven”. Also the prayer “Hail Mary”. This is the prayer which the Archangel Gabriel said when he announced to Mary that she will be the mother of God.

We can say different prayers, and we have a lot of beautiful prayers which were created by men, but the most beautiful and the most powerful are the rosary prayers.

In these prayers, we meditate on the life of Jesus, who is our Savior and our best friend. There are 20 mysteries of the rosary and these represent 20 of the most important events from the life of Jesus. From the Annunciation…Visitation of Elizabeth…Baptism in the Jordan…the Last Supper…Agony in the Garden…and the Death of Jesus on the Cross…the Resurrection…and finally, two last Glorious Mysteries: the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Coronation, two mysteries dedicated to Mary. It tells us of the importance of the prayers of the Rosary.

Not long ago, I read the book *The Unusual Power of the Rosary* and I found some beautiful quotes which I would like to share with you. This book tells the story of people who are very far from God – even emerged in the satanic cult but, because of the prayer of the Rosary, they are saved.

One young lady converted because of the rosary. Her mother, 54 years old, had nothing to do with God and the church, so she prayed two years and was fasting twice a week. After two years, her mother came back to God. The young lady says, “Rosary is the medicine for the illness of souls, but this medicine you have to take every day”. Another quote. Once a journalist asked Pope Pius IX which of the treasures of the Vatican is most precious. The Pope took a rosary from his pocket, raised it above his head and said, “This is the most precious treasure of the Vatican”.

Somebody said, “Where there is Mary, there is no Satan”. And the last quote taken from this book was from one of the exorcists who reported that Satan said during the exorcism “Every Hail Mary is like a punch on my head; if Christians would know how enormous the rosary is, it would be my end.”

So I encourage you to find the time in the month of October to come as often as possible to the church. Every weekday, we will have Mass and the recitation of the rosary at 6:00 pm. You might say, “Father, we are too busy; we have no time.” But I would say, “We make time for everybody – for dinners, meetings with friends, or going to the show, so we have to learn how to make time for God.”

Fr. Andrzej

A Mass of Healing will be said this Tuesday, October 2nd, at 6:00 p.m. in Church. This Mass is for the intention of all who need health blessings. Be sure to join us for this special Mass which takes place the first Tuesday of every month.

If there is anyone whom you would like to especially remember at this Mass, please submit their name to the rectory at (312) 842-7979.
THE ST. VINCENT DePAUL
FALL CLOTHING DRIVE
IS BACK!

When: Saturday, October 13, 2018
9:00 am to 5:30 pm
and
Sunday, October 14, 2018
9:00 am to 1:30 pm

Where: The St. Barbara Church Parking Lot

Bring you boxed, bagged and bundled clothing to the
van in the parking lot. Remember to bag your shoes separately.

Small appliances are welcome.

PLEASE: NO BABY FURNITURE!

GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU

CHOIR NEWS
SING! SING! SING!

ST. BARBARA CHOIR STARTS ITS
NEW SEASON!
REHEARSALS ARE HELD ON WEDNESDAY
EVENINGS AT 7:00 P.M.

WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS.
ENTER THROUGH THE SIDE DOOR BETWEEN
THE CHURCH AND RECTORY.

THE CHOIR SINGS AT THE 11:30 A.M. MASSES
FROM OCTOBER THROUGH JUNE AND ON ALL
HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO OBSERVE A
REHEARSAL FIRST, JUST STOP BY
BETWEEN 7 P.M. AND 8:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY.

Weekly Collection - September 22nd - 23rd

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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.

September 19, 2018 Report

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Because our goal has been reached, any additional funds will be returned to our parish for our use. Thank you for your support of St. Barbara Parish.

FIRST RESPONDERS’ MASS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church will have a first responders’ Mass for all active and retired Police Officers, Firefighters, EMS, Dispatchers and their families on Wednesday, October 10th at 6:00 pm. The Concelebrant will be Fr. Bart Juncer and the Homilist will be Fr. Dan Brandt, Director, Chicago Police Chaplains. Following the Mass, there will be a blessing of badges.
De La Salle’s Game Show Night
On Monday, September 24th, St. Barbara School participated in De La Salle's Annual Game Show night. Our 7th grade team, which included Ronald Cabrera, Maylen Dunagan, Gabriella Godinez and Lucia Thomas, finished in 4th place out of over 30 teams! Our 8th grade team, which included Gabriel Salinas, Victor Sandoval, Olivia Hulten and Valerie Brost were also competitive during the event. Congratulations to all the participants!

New iPads in the Classroom
Thanks in part to the generosity of the Ladies’ Guild and the Title IIA program, students began using new iPads in the language arts classroom. All upper grade classrooms will eventually use apps such as Google Classroom, Quizlet, Kahoot, Post-it Plus and iMovie. Students will also be able to AirDrop assignments onto teacher iPads.

Parent Information Session
Thank you to all school parents and guardians who attended yesterday’s information session. We hope we answered all of your questions! Please feel free to call us at 312-326-6243 if you have additional questions, and thank you for being a part of this great school community!
**Saturday, September 29 - Vigil of the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m.  + Domagala Family (Mike Domagala)
+ 100th Birthday Rem.: Lillian Wojcik (Elizabeth Wojcik)
+ Vicky & Joseph Kaput (Nancy Kaput)
+ Joseph Kruk (Dziemiela Family)
+ Madeline Stachnik (Dolores Becatti)
+ Joseph Kruk (Dziemiela Family)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente & Fam.)

**Sunday, September 30 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

6:00 a.m.  + Eleanor Rolek (Terri Rolek)
+ Birth. Rem.: Dorothy Smolinski (Husband, Ray)
+ Patricia Galasinski (Guest Family)
+ Vicky & Joseph Kaput (Nancy Kaput)
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m.  + Michael Parulski (Mr. & Mrs. Stan Nawraćaj & Family)
+ Vicky & Joseph Kaput (Nancy Kaput)
Health Blessings: Ed Sraga (Family)
11:30 a.m.  + Barbara Czerniak (Ed & B. Glabicki)
+ Baby Kaz (Virginia Pienta)
+ Vicky & Joseph Kaput (Nancy Kaput)
Health Blessings: Bette Pienta (Virginia Pienta)

**Monday, October 1 - St. Therese of the Child Jesus**

6:00 p.m.  + Ted Piorecki

**Tuesday, October 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels**

6:00 p.m.  + Rita M. Lukas

**Wednesday, October 3 - Weekday**

6:00 p.m.  + Ed Drumm (Ed & B. Glabicki)

**Thursday, October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi**

6:00 p.m. Blessings: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pienta (Virginia Pienta)

**Friday, October 5 - Weekday; First Friday**

8:30 a.m.  + Ruben Velesquez III (Family)
6:00 p.m. Health Blessings: Ed Glabicki (Dolores Becatti)

**Saturday, October 6 - St. Bruno**

8:30 a.m.  + Father’s Day Remembrance

**Saturday, October 6 - Vigil of the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m.  + Frank Radaszewski
+ Nancy Kloptowski (St. Barbara Thursday Night Bingo Workers)
+ Joseph Kruk (Mrs. Crisanti)
+ Vicky & Joseph Kaput (Nancy Kaput)
40th Birthday Blessings: Lori Goetz (Adrian & Karen Goetz & Family)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente & Fam.)

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**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH**

5:00 p.m.
Altar Servers:  L. Kwiatkowski, D. Kwiatkowski, J. Kwiatkowski, J. P. Kwiatkowski
Eucharistic Ministers:  J. Lukwinski, R. Carden
Lectors:  J. Lukwinski, L. Saletta

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7TH**

6:00 a.m.
Altar Server:  G. Vanderford
Eucharistic Ministers:  S. Guest, J. Balasa
Lector:  J. Bertucci

9:30 a.m.
Altar Servers:  M. Arteaga, E. Cabrera, E. Cabrera, R. Cabrera, J. Gonzalez
Eucharistic Ministers:  P. Rodriguez, J. Rodriguez
Lectors:  H. Diaz DeLeon, M. Worth

11:30 a.m.
Altar Servers:  N. Bunda, G. Parcon, A. Calderon, L. Calderon
Eucharistic Ministers:  A. Skokal, D. Ramos

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**Relevant Radio - Mass & Rosary**

950 AM WNTD - Chicago

**Sunday, October 7 - The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

6:00 a.m.  + Donald Rolek (Rita Suriano)
+ Henry Rolek (T. Rolek)
+ Ima Whitehouse (Bill & Barbara Webb)
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m.  + Mary Domagala (Mike Domagala)
+ Ima Whitehouse (Alice Gondek)
+ Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)
11:30 a.m.  + David Maeshiba (Felice Allen)
+ Birthday Rem.: Michael Wrozek (Adeline Skokal)
+ Ima Whitehouse (St. Barbara altar & Rosary Sodality)
+ Vincent & Catherine Strongczek (Rose Stronczek)
Health Blessings: Florence Goga (Virginia Pienta)

**Mercy Home - Sunday Mass**

WGN- TV Channel 9 - Chicago
Sunday Mass:  9:30 AM

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Please consider remembering St. Barbara Parish in your will.
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 p.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.

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