Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 19, 2019

"Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race."
— Revelation 21:3

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

John 13:34

Revolution 21:3
Dear St. Barbara Parishioners,

The St. Barbara/St. Therese Unification Council had its second meeting on Monday, May 13th. One of the topics was the timing of choosing a joint Parish name. The options available were June or October. Even though the June date leaves us little time, it was decided that this was preferable to waiting all the way until October. The discussion then focused on how to get the word out to all parishioners of both parishes and how to make the submission of potential names as simple as possible. The document that you find inserted in the bulletin is the result.

This one page document explains the process and gives guidance towards how to discern your suggestion. It also allows for the ability to complete your submission online. The Council is excited to get everyone’s feedback in order to choose the most appropriate name to reflect the future mission of our newly formed Parish. As a reminder, the worship sites will always be known as St. Barbara Church and St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church; what is being decided now is what the Parish that consists of these two worship sites will be called. Please feel free to ask any Council member for more information.

Unification Council

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**ST. BARBARA LADIES’ GUILD**

The St. Barbara Ladies’ Guild will hold their last meeting of the 2018-2019 school year on Monday evening at 7:00 pm.

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**HOLY NAME NEWS**

At our meeting on Friday evening, the following “100 Club” winners were selected: 1st prize: Gary; 2nd prize: Ruth; 3rd prize: Bismark; 4th prize: Bismark; and 5th prize: Chris V.

Thank you for buying our monthly raffle tickets. If you are interested in purchasing a monthly raffle ticket, please see the ushers in the back of church.

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**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.

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**Baby Bottle Project**

There are still approximately 40 baby bottles which have not been returned. The Women’s Center spends hundreds of dollars each year buying replacement bottles. Even if your bottle is empty, please return it to the back of church.
God sent God’s son, Jesus, who showed us the way, the truth and the light of discipleship. Jesus’ way will continue to change the world because we ourselves are changed into God’s people through the Word and are asked to spread the joy of the Good News.

We continue our journey through the Operations Transition Phase of Renew My Church. This phase helps ensure our finances, spending, and operations are running smoothly in preparation for the final ministry phase of RMC, Building the New Reality.

The Operations Transition Phase helps us create a firm operational foundation so that evangelization and mission - the goal of Renew My Church - can flourish. While we continue our journey to Renew My Church we said to be on the lookout for bulletin updates, Mass announcements and other information about how we are building our new and unified faith community.

For all of us, this is a journey of faith and a renewed personal conversion. It is focused on combining the best of our two communities into an even better unified parish.

One area of focus is our schools. The principals of the two Parish Schools are busy planning for the upcoming 2019-2020 two-campus, award-winning St. Therese Chinese Catholic School. School leadership is working tirelessly to finalize enrollment and staffing at the St. Barbara Campus. Across the educational arena of the Archdiocese of Chicago, this is a time of annual change. We want to be as transparent as possible in communicating with our parents, students and parishioners in this rapidly changing environment. Interviews were conducted, and some job offers were made at St. Barbara. It is with mixed emotion that we want to let you know that the St. Barbara teachers, along with Mrs. Nicole Nolazco, have decided to pursue other opportunities. We ask you to join us in expressing our heartfelt appreciation for their service to our students and families. We wish them every success in their future endeavors.

Please rest assured that we will fill open positions according to the established standard of excellence. Timely communication updates will be forthcoming.

Facility improvements at St. Barbara are underway and include: partitioning of the preschool classroom, improvements to the lower level bathroom, and investments in technology to align more closely with the technology in place at St. Therese Chinese Catholic School. All the work is expected to be completed in time for the start of the upcoming 2019-2020 school year.

The Unification team has now met twice and is making amazing progress. Mass schedules and a parish naming process are some of the significant items being addressed, which you will learn more details about in other areas of this and future bulletins. This past Tuesday the Renew My Church Evangelical team met at St. Therese with the Parish Unification Team to introduce the final phase, “Building a New Reality”.

We want to express heartfelt appreciation to all those parishioners and friends for their sacrificial giving to enable us on our journey to create our new and exciting unified community of faith. The sacrifices are making the two campuses of this new parish better places from which to pursue the mission of Christ in the world. Please continue to keep Renew My Church, the future of our Catholic faith community, in your prayers.
CARNIVAL CORNER

Our Parish Carnival is only one month away. Can you believe that at this time next month, the carnival will be history. Hopefully the weather will finally start to warm up.

We still have lawn signs available in the back of the church; please take one to advertise our carnival. Also, there are flyers on the Carnival Table; take as many as you need to pass around to your family and friends.

In the back of church are posters with all the items we need to make this carnival a success; please stop by and see what you can donate. There are also slips and envelopes if you would just like to donate toward items instead of going shopping.

I am happy to see that we have received $2,375 in raffle returns already. However, this means we have only reached a little over 15% of our goal thus far. Please sell your tickets, as we would like to hit our goal of $15,000 in raffle sales. Our Early Bird Winner is Dorene Hurckes.

Our donations/sponsors seem to need a little help. Maybe you would like to donate in memory of a loved one or possibly you can ask your employer or the businesses that you frequent if they would like to donate; there are forms in the back of church. As of today, we have $3,675 of the $10,000 we have received in the past. Thank you to St. Barbara THURSDAY Bingo, John G Ligda - Funeral Director, BKE Energy, Inc., Mr. & Mrs. John Lyons, St. Barbara KC’s #16739, Mr. & Mrs. James Balcer, Modern Image Construction, Archbishop Quigley KC Council #2428, Tony’s Auto Collision Center, Inc., Mr. & Mrs. Ed Glabicki, Eugenia Krzyzanski, the St. Barbara Holy Name Society, Mrs. Janice Kutansky and the 11th Ward for their generous donations.

We are still looking for prizes for our booths; if you have any items, please drop them off at the rectory.

If you can spare a few hours that weekend to work in a variety of areas, please fill out the sheet in the back of church and deposit it in the box. If you have any questions, please contact Suzanne Brost at (312) 310-5654 (cell) or Suzbrost@yahoo.com.

Thank you all for your support for this major fundraiser. I know we can make this the best carnival ever for St. Barbara Parish.

Wendy Kaput
ST. BARBARA NEWS

ROMAN SALYUTOV PIANO RECITAL

On Saturday, May 4th, St. Barbara Parish hosted a piano recital by Roman Salyutov, a Russian-born pianist. The concert consisted of works by Beethoven, Szymanowski, Liszt and Chopin. Mr. Salyutov is a popular soloist who has performed in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Poland, Hungary, Lithuania, Israel, Japan, Australia and New Zealand as well as the United States. A beautiful evening was had by all who attended the concert.
**Weekly Collection - May 11th - 12th**

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Eucharistic Ministers: J. Lukwinski
Lectors: H. DeLeon, J. Lukwinski

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Lector: J. Bertucci

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**Saturday, May 25 - Vigil of the Sixth Sunday of Easter**
5:00 p.m. + JoAnn Piemonte (J. Wiencek & E. Badonski)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

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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.