

ST. BARNABAS PARISH

WEEKLY BULLETIN | FIRST WEEK OF LENT

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INTO THE DESERT

Often times, when we face temptation it is something that comes from within. Satan had to approach our Lord from the outside and because of this Scripture is able to give us a glimpse of Jesus' struggle to stand against all the distortions of his mission. Remember that these temptations and the devil himself are with Jesus every step of the way to Calvary. Pope Benedict points out that the story of the temptations is an "anticipation that condenses into a single expression the struggle that he endured at every step of his mission." ("Jesus of Nazareth," p. 27) In his book, "Life of Christ," Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen calls the temptations of Jesus "three short cuts from the Cross." It is important to recognize the difference between temptation and sin. Since Jesus had a human nature he had to go through the human experience of withstanding temptation, but being tempted is not the same as giving into temptation. Archbishop Sheen wrote, "The temptations were meant to divert our Lord from his task of salvation through sacrifice. Instead of the Cross as a means of winning souls of men, Satan suggested three short cuts to popularity: an economic one, another based on marvels, and a third, which was political." ("Life of Christ," p. 67) But, Jesus didn't come to be Lord of the world, an earthly king; he came to redeem humanity. And the only way to do that was to take upon his shoulders sin and death and carry them to Calvary. There is no crown without the Cross. There is no way to get to the resurrection without the crucifixion. After the Resurrection Christ says, "All authority in heaven and on earth have been given to me" (Matt 28:18). Only someone who has power in heaven has real, saving power. Power in virtue of his Resurrection presupposes the Cross, his death. The earthly kingdoms that Satan was able to put before the Lord will all pass away, but the glory of Christ — the humble, self-sacrificing glory of his love — will never pass away. The third temptation reminds us that the worship of false idols; the worship of power, politics and the idea that man can create a perfect world without God, is a dangerous proposition that inevitably leads to a tragic downfall. To worship Satan, to serve Satan, means you are a slave to sin. To worship God, to serve God, is true freedom. Jesus, for a third time, quotes Deuteronomy: "You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve" (Matt 4:10; cf. Deut 6:13). After his 40 days in the desert, when he appeared to be in a weakened state, Satan tried to get Jesus to turn his back on his divine mission. He tried to get him to avoid the Cross and search for "a better way." Christ is always the model we should follow. Those temptations didn't make Jesus weaker, they made him stronger. If we follow Jesus into the desert these 40 days of Lent will help us prepare to battle the forces of evil as well.

Parish Schedule

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Adoration: 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM

Weekday Mass:

Monday: 9:00 AM (Ad Orientem)

Tuesday: 9:00 AM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM (Ad Orientem)

Thursday: 9:00 AM

Friday: 9:00 AM (Ad Orientem)

Saturday: 9:00 AM

Weekend Mass:

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:15 PM, and 7:00 PM

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday to Saturday at 8:30 AM - 8:55 AM

Wednesday at 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Saturdays at 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

4:30 PM (Sat. Vigil): Luciano BRIONES & Remedios PAGADUAN **
 9:00 AM: Thanksgiving of Anthony
 10:30 AM: Special Intentions for Isabelle BHIM-COLLINS
 12:15 PM: Eladio PALANCA †
 7:00 PM: Thanksgiving of Llewden LABRADOR

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024

9:00 AM: Nellie MONDRAGON †

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

9:00 AM: Blandina ROQUE †

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024

9:00 AM: Paulina FEDERIGAN †
 7:00 PM: Thanksgiving of Anthony & Moses OMONUWA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024

9:00 AM: Thanksgiving of RAMIRES & PABALINAS Families

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2024

9:00 AM: Queen Malar Da LIMA †
 7:00 PM: Ernesto SANGALANG †

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

9:00 AM: Community Memorial Mass

PARISH TAX RECEIPTS

2023 Parish Tax Receipts are being processed and you will receive them in the mail on or before **Friday, February 23rd**. If you have any questions about your tax receipts, please contact our secretary at the parish office.

NAMES OF THE SICK

Lydia ABRAZALDO
 Manuel ALGARRA
 Luisa ARIOLA
 Jen ATKINSON
 Horacio AVANZADO
 Vida BAILEY
 Cirilo BANZIL
 Katelyn Hope BAUTISTA
 Monica BAUTISTA
 Lita BEDFORD-JAMES
 Jamie BENTHAM
 Normita BORERO
 Julita BRAVO
 Milagros BRINAS
 Cleone BYGRAVE
 Theresa CALDERON
 Crescencia CASTANEDA
 Terry CHAN
 Matilda CHARLES
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 Ampy DECHOSO
 Christina DELINOR
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 Teresita FONTANILLA
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 Gilda GUIOGUIO
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 George JOSEPH
 Ruth LABAO
 Josefina LAGMAN
 Martinah LLANES
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 Mary Thimen PAN
 Cecilia Hwa PAN
 Victo Juann PAN
 Divya PATEL
 Miranda PINTO
 Merlyn RAYMOND
 Claudette RAMOS
 Michael REID
 Henry REYES
 Roberto REYES
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 Maricar ROBERTO
 Elanor RODRIGO
 Faye SALAMILLAS
 Kathy SAMUELS
 Zosimo SANCHEZ
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 Caril Chen SEE
 Cynthia SIRIRAM
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If you would like to include the name of your sick family member, kindly send us an email through stbarnabasc@archtoronto.org or give the parish office a call.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



LIFE IN CHRIST SEMINAR

Are you seeking a deeper connection with your faith and a more meaningful life in Christ? We are excited to invite you to our Life in Christ Seminar, a transformative journey that will bring you closer to God and help you live a life filled with purpose and joy. **5 Monday Nights, from 7PM - 9PM starting February 26, 2024**. To register, you can go to our website: stbarnabasto.ca. For more information, don't hesitate to get in touch with **Alain Pena** at alainpena20@gmail.com



SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS FOR ORDINANDIS

The Catholic Women's League is once again inviting us in their annual collection of Spiritual Bouquets to be presented at the Ordinandi Dinner on **March 19, 2024**. The ladies will be in the narthex after all the weekend masses for the collection. For information, please call: **Lucy Dechausay 416-286-8613** or **Winsome Fletcher 416-321-1222**

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Lenten Schedule



ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT	7:00 PM MASS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS
LENTEN RETREAT	<u>FEBRUARY 24</u> 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
EXTENDED HOURS OF CONFESSION	<u>ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT</u> 6 PM - 7 PM
LENTEN RECOLLECTION	<u>MARCH 14</u> 7 PM - 8:30 PM
PALM SUNDAY	<u>MARCH 24</u> 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:15 PM, 7PM
HOLY THURSDAY	<u>MARCH 28</u> 7 PM (NO 9AM MASS)
GOOD FRIDAY	<u>MARCH 29</u> 11 AM, 1 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM 7:30 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS
HOLY SATURDAY	<u>MARCH 30</u> 8 PM - EASTER VIGIL
EASTER	<u>MARCH 31</u> 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:15 PM (NO 7 PM MASS)



ST. BARNABAS MOM'S GROUP

Inviting all women to our **Opening Night** of our new Mom's Group with wine and cheese and a Guest Speaker. The topic is **Mothering with the Love of Christ** and the speaker is **Catherine Pettigrew**. Mark your calendars for **February 28, 2024** from **7:00 PM - 8:30 PM**. Register at our website: <https://stbarnabasto.ca>. For more information, please contact Sam Cummings at stbarnabaslp@archtoronto.org or call at **416 -298-0989 ext. 208**

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WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO THE MARTYR SHRINE

Join Fr. Hansoo in a journey that will change you. From **May 17 - 26, 2024**, enter the life of a pilgrim through the Walking Pilgrimage to the Holy Shrine of the Canadian Martyrs. If interested, contact **Fr. Hansoo Park** directly through email at hpark@archtoronto.org.



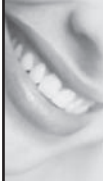
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