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ASTROLOGY FROM THE CATHOLIC CHURCH'S PERSPECTIVE

What about astrology? Is it the same thing? Astrology is an occult science that determines the influence of the stars and planets upon the fate of man. The sky at the time of a person's birth is said to predict different aspects of an individual's life, like friends and enemies, spouse and children, inheritance and longevity, etc. In ancient times, astrology and divination were considered very important sciences. For the modern Christian, what harm are they? Again, here is what the Catechism has to say: "All forms of divination are to be rejected: recourse to Satan or demons, conjuring up the dead or other practices falsely supposed to 'unveil' the future. Consulting horoscopes, astrology, palm reading, interpretation of omens and lots, the phenomena of clairvoyance, and recourse to mediums all conceal a desire for power over time, history, and, in the last analysis, other human beings, as well as a wish to conciliate hidden powers. They contradict the honor, respect, and loving fear that we owe to God alone" (No. 2116, emphasis in original). Once again, we find here sins against the First Commandment. The rise in interest in things occult, whether astrology, magic, or Ouija boards (Yes, I said Ouija boards. If you have one in your house, get rid of it!) is symptomatic of the loss of faith in God. When people stop believing in God, whether at a highly intellectual level or on a practical level, their innate spiritual desires do not disappear. Instead, those desires become distorted. People have a natural desire to be in touch with the supernatural, as odd as that sounds. If we shut out the one, true God, then that natural desire for God will simply turn its gaze on something else. This can be pleasures of various sorts, like honor, or power, or sense. Sometimes, simple curiosity can lead a person to inquire about the occult. Other times, people are led there precisely by a desire to control or a desire for power. Besides the loss of faith in God in our time, there is an equally disturbing misunderstanding about the nature of evil and the devil. Some don't believe that Satan exists, nor other demons. The truth is Satan exists. He and the other demons are in reality fallen angels, spiritual beings that refused to accept God's reign. All the demons, Satan included, were created naturally good, and became evil by their own choosing. They are at work in the world all the time, working out of their hatred for God and for us. Read "The Screwtape Letters" by C.S. Lewis to get a sense of what this looks like. There is good reason that the Church warns against meddling in the occult. To do so disposes a person to the influence of Satan and other demonic powers, and Satan hates God and humankind. He seeks only to destroy us. - Sr. Anne Marie McGuan

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, JANUARY 28, 2024

4:30 PM (Sat. Vigil): Thanksgiving of De SILVA Family
9:00 AM: Lourдина BARRETTO †
10:30 AM: Menino Xavier BARRETTO †
12:15 PM: Thanksgiving of Bernice KHAN and Family
7:00 PM: PRO POPULO

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2024

9:00 AM: Sotera & Telesforo FERRER ††

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2024

9:00 AM: Thanksgiving of Rosario & Joel CARDILLO

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2024

9:00 AM: Special Intentions of Leyland GONSALVES
7:00 PM: Special Intentions of Theo, Ricky & Pat VIGO

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024

9:00 AM: Rapheal De COSTA †

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024

9:00 AM: Special Intentions of Patricia ACOSTA
7:00 PM: Special Intentions of Camille MONTANIEL & Rodelio MONTANIEL †

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024

9:00 AM: Community Memorial Mass

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
Anushka CHELLIAH
Bodhi CHELLIAH
Trevor CHUNG
Sera COLACO
Martin CORSANO
Jerwin Cruz CORTEZ
Jack CRAWFORD
Dawn CRITCHLOW
Carmalita CRUZ
Divina DE LEON
Maureen DALEY
Emmanuel DE LEON
George D'SILVA
Epifanio DACANAY
Freddie DACANAY
Elizabeth Fe DACANAY
Charlie DEISCHTER
Salvador DE LEOZ
Julietta DE LEOZ
Nikita DeSILVA
Jannette DEMPSEY
Ampy DECHOSO
Christina DELINOR
Arya Cali DIAZ
Felicitas DISMAYA
Winston DIXON
Julia DONATO
Jacquelin DUMEICHEN
Milagrina ESMAS
Larina ESPANOL
Veronica ESPANO
Carrol FERNANDES

Mary FERNANDES
Sabino FERNANDES
Sybil FERNANDES
Emmanuel FERNANDO
Janson Louis FERDINAND
Columba FREDERICK
James FRASER
Teresita FONTANILLA
Abigail FORBES
Rolando GARBINO
Barry GILL
Nathan GIRDHARRY
Gilda GUIOGUIO
Gem GOUVEIA
George GRAY
Sean KUA
Bernard OSEI-KWABENA
Kevin HARRIS
Robert HENRIQUE
Vernon HOFFMAN
Renate HOFFMAN
Tina HOLLOWAY
Summer HOLLOWAY
Robbie HOJILLA
James HUTCHINSON
Leonardo IGNACIO
Joan IRONSIDE
Sheldon IYENGAR
Henry JACOT
Lorraine JOHNSON
Danilo Batara JOSE
George JOSEPH
Ruth LABAO
Josefina LAGMAN
Martinah LLANES
Consuelo LOPEZ
Maria Lourdes LUZ
Audrey Mendonca LUCAS
Bienvenido MABBAYAD
Noli MABABANGLOOB
Margaret MACKREL
Allison MAGPAYO
Willex MAGPAYO
Miguel MAGTIBAY
Alisha MATHLIN
John McGARRY
Ron McGARRY
Betty McNEIL
Glenda McNEIL
Constance MENEZES
Lipika MITRA
Linda MOORE
Andreyana NAZAL

Winston NEWMAN
Collette O'DONNELL
Denise ORTIZ
Marie ORTIZ
Kyle PAGUIA
Mary Ann Ibana PALOMARES
Mary Thimen PAN
Cecilia Hwa PAN
Victo Juann PAN
Divya PATEL
Josue PEREZ
Miranda PINTO
Merlyn RAYMOND
Claudette RAMOS
Michael REID
Henry REYES
Noberto REYES
Ernie RICAFORT
Maricar ROBERTO
Elnor RODRIGO
Faye SALAMILLAS
Kathy SAMUELS
Zosimo SANCHEZ
Lourdes SANTIAGO
Domingo SANTOS
Karen SANTOS
Gener SARMIENTO
Metarita SEARS
Caril Chen SEE
Cynthia SIRIRAM
Winston SPARROCK
Alan SPENCER
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Cecile SILVERIO
Vicky SUAREZ
Bob STEELE
Norma STEELE
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Adelia UYGUANGCO
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Jalen VELINOR
Julian VILLANUEVA
Estrella VILAR
Levon WILLIAMS
Jeanette WILTSHIRE
Franklyn WYKE
Conrado YABUT

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.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Starting January 25th, 2024

7 consecutive Thursdays | 7PM - 9PM

Register online at: <https://form.jotform.com/stbarnabasto/MARPREP2024> or go to our website at <https://stbarnabasto.ca>



FIRST COMMUNION IS NOW OPEN

The First Communion registration will open on **January 2, 2023** until **February 5, 2024**. Parent's Orientation will be on **February 8, 2024 6pm-7pm (Group A)**. and **7:30pm - 8:30pm (Group B)**. For questions, please contact Gabe Marania at stbarnabasfirstcommunion@archtoronto.org or at 416 298-0989.



A N N O U N C E M E N T S



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN

If your child has missed Confirmation and/or First Communion, the parish is offering RCIC. For more information, contact Alyanna Viray at alyanna.viray@outlook.com



YOUTH MINISTRY NIGHTS

Youth Ministry is happening! Returning and new middle schoolers are more than welcome to join us for our 2024 EDGE every other Friday from 6-8pm in the Church hall, and returning and new high schoolers are more than welcome to join us for our 2024 Lifeteen every other Saturday from 6-9pm in the Church hall.



YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY: BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US

Inviting Young Adults ages 19 - 35 to join us on our next meeting on **February 1, 2024** from 7:00PM - 9:00 PM. Our focus this year is relationships. For more information, please contact **Fr. Fraser McLaren** at fmclaren@archtoronto.org or at 416-298-0989 ext. 203



K OF C 50/50 RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus is having their annual 50/50 raffle. Ticket prices are as follows: \$10 for 10, \$20 for 40, \$50 for 125 and \$100 for 300. In support of the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus. Visit <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/k-of-c-ont/198> to purchase tickets.



JOB OPENING: SUMMER MISSIONARY

Our Parish is opening the doors to applicants for the Parish Missionary team of 2024. If you are a faithful and zealous Catholic looking to explore your missionary identity during your young adult (19-30) years, we invite you to discern with us by sending us an application. Applications are due by the end of the month of January 2024. If you have questions, please contact Aaron Fernandes.



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 19, 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



CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Calling all women in our parish. Your sisters here at St. Barnabas Catholic Women's League will be holding their Annual Membership Drive after all masses on **January 27 and January 28, 2024.** CWL is a space for women to share and gain new talents, deepen your faith and form lifelong friendships. We hope you join us!

40 DAY CAMPAIGN TO END ABORTION

40 Days of Life Campaign is inviting all parishoners to join them in prayer, fasting and outreach to end abortion through participating in their campaign from **February 14, 2024 to March 24, 2024.**

For more information, please vis this link: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/torontoit>





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