We pray for the recently deceased
Anna O’Neill
Alberto Contreras
and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.
May they rest in peace.

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 1st.
Clocks back one hour.
Thank you to all who attended and facilitated our 2015 Ministry Fair
What I feel is missing is more lay-person engagement with each other and the clergy to offer more opportunities for gathering as a faith community. What I have observed in this parish and other parishes I belonged to prior to joining St. Barnabas is a reverence for the Eucharist as it pertains to Homebound. Critical importance is how the readings tie into our daily lives and how we can apply the readings not only on Sunday. Example, if people are at Mass around Christmas and Easter, they shouldn’t have to hear during the homily that their participation would be appreciated, it is a turn off and all who enter God’s house should be welcome. At times regular church attendees seem to be reprimanded for those whose attendance is lackluster during the year.

Having a young, funny, happy new pastor will help. Fr. Adrian has renewed our spirit!

Social involvement – Dances / Clearer Homilies / Priests become more active with us.

Be asked on personal level by Priests. Reach out to us!

Saint afternoon, fellowship, sending letters home to invite parishioners to Mass.

Social Media

Make sermons relevant to today’s problems.

AA Meeting restored for people needing this in the parish.

We have difficulty walking which discourages us becoming more involved.

Since many families don’t go because of sports maybe offer different sports throughout the year. Have a social before or after the sporting event.

Homilies must be related to daily living. Couldn’t priests visit 6, 7 & 8th grade at SEAS & Religious Ed.

Nice priests but some have accents and cannot be well understood. Make a home call to my mother for bereavement. Priests should make a stronger effort to get to know more parishioners. Asked for someone to come to my home to administer the Holy Eucharist, was asked if he was a regular attendee answered no, “sorry”.

Wonderful organization! Not able to understand priests.

Continuing education for adults and teens. Christmas and Easter more masses. A direct voice to the children!

Wedding rehearsal committee, attend wedding, is taking advantage. Priests nearly impossible to understand.

Bingo and or fair-festival.

Our new pastor has time to talk w/you.

Bus trips, Christmas Fair, Bingo, make people want to come to mass. English could be better.

More mass prayer cards, pre-recorded music, say a few words to fellow parishioners before or after mass. Get them to want to go to mass.

Children with special needs.

Generation lost, reach them through community outreach, younger generation needs praise. AC- too cold.

Bring friend to mass, and acknowledge them.

It is feeding the flock. It is noting the presence of the Blessed Mother.

We are happy with our parish!

Talk Slower

Announce at mass what volunteer opportunities are available for next 2 weeks.

7pm or later start for Stations of the Cross during Lent so working people can participate. Events, meetings, programs timed in the evening so working people can participate. Priests genuinely involved. Continue high-caliber music ministry.

Tell how rewarding these ministries are.

Something needs to be done to get young people back to church. Younger priests who can relate to the young people.

At former parish, Our Lady of Grace, West Babylon there were a lot of family oriented activities including a Mardi Gras celebration where everyone brought a dish to share, a children’s Christmas Party sponsored by the K of C. Also, after Sunday Mass there was hospitality – not every Sunday but at least once a month, Pancake and Sausage/bacon breakfast for a nominal fee.

We would like hymns posted on a board near the canto as it is in other parishes. We also would like to see the ushers properly attired with shirts provided by St. Barnabas.

Keep inviting parishioners & publishing in local papers photos & articles about our activities.

Our adult children no longer practice, but they do not feel unwelcome. Keep working on communication from the altar so we can follow the homily more easily.
**Financial Reports**

**Weekend Collection**
- 10/18/15 : $14,943.00
- 10/19/14 : $15,956.50

Parish Families Registered: 5,030
# Envelopes Mailed: 1,406
# Envelopes Used: 501
# Envelopes (10/19/14): 571

**2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal**
*Serving God by Serving Others*

- Goal Amount: $109,100.00
- Total Pledged: $122,323.00
- Total Payments Received: $113,745.00
- Total # of Donors: 542

**Second Collection This Week**

*Maintenance & Repair*

Thank you for your generous support of the Maintenance & Repair Collection. Currently we are replacing the packing and seals of the elevator shafts in the Convent and Rectory.

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**The Week at a Glance**

**Sunday:**
- 1:30 PM: Baptisms, Church
- 7:30 PM: Al-Anon Meeting, Rectory

**Monday:**
- 8:00 PM: Charismatic Prayer Group, Holy Family Chapel

**Tuesday:**
- 7:00 PM: Family Music Ministry Rehearsal Holy Family Chapel

**Wednesday:**
- 7:00 PM: RCIA, Convent Meeting Room
- 7:30 PM: Al-Anon Meeting, Rectory Meeting Room
- 8:00 PM: Choir Rehearsal, Church

**Thursday:**
- 7:00 PM: Bible Study, Rectory Meeting Room

**Friday:**
- 6:00 PM: Youth Group Meeting, North Cafeteria

**Saturday:**
- 12:30 PM: Reconciliation, Church

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**What’s Pastor Thinking?**

Every parish has a certain charm but we complain incessantly. We see ourselves as victims of situations over which we have no control.

We are victims of the recession, of pollution, of drugs and crime and every other human-made aberration of our time. We invent a legion of pastors to serve as scapegoats - the banks, the politicians, the economy, the media. Why do we sit on the fence and grumble constantly rather than accept our share of the responsibility for the problems that beset our world. We need to be outraged. To get real about our faith is to live not as couch potatoes, but rather as disciples. To be a disciple means that the path of Jesus has to be our top priority.

We Catholics often have a double-decker view of Christian life, with priests, religious and the extremely pious as the “real Christians” and the rest of us as the “ordinary Christians.” With this view, we can easily slip into the mistake of thinking that only a specialized few are really disciples, and the rest of us tagalongs might make it to heaven on their coattails. While certain people clearly have special functions and while certain people throughout history have been models for their generation, nevertheless every single person who follows Jesus is presumed to be a disciple. There is not an elite group that takes Jesus seriously. We are all asked, to make a life decision to take our faith seriously to be disciples - to be so convinced by the vision of Jesus that he influences ever thing we do.

Saint Augustine noted many centuries ago, change sometimes is not so much about saying yes as it is about our no longer saying no. To put God at the center of our lives, to make God’s Word the form of our minds, to pray individually and together in Eucharist, to set our sights on serving others, to help others to find faith and strength in God - this is the structure of discipleship and the work of Christ’s Spirit.
Leaders Meeting
Wednesday, November 4th
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM
Holy Family Chapel.

Thank you to all our volunteers for participating in the recent Ministry Fair. Wasn’t it wonderful to meet other people from various ministries who, like you, give of their time and talent to the parish of St. Barnabas. Coming together is encouraging and life-giving. As a follow up, a meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 4th from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM in the Holy Family Chapel. The guest speaker is Lori Whitfield who assists parishes in rediscovering our call to discipleship. Each ministry is requested to send a representative or two to this meeting where we will reflect on the Ministry Fair and discern what we need to do to continue to grow our ministries.

A reminder that when you invite new volunteers to ministry they need to be aware that in an effort to provide a safe environment for all God’s people all present and future volunteers in this parish and throughout the Diocese are asked to complete the following documents in order to serve among our people.

- **Volunteer Service Request Form:** This document records your history as a volunteer both within and outside the parish.
- **Volunteer Code of Conduct for Service to the Parish Community:** By signing this a volunteer promises to abide by all the regulations of the parish with regard to volunteer activity.
- **Screening Consent and Disclosure Form:** Signing the Screening Consent and Disclosure Form gives the parish permission to do a “criminal background search” through a company established for this purpose and hired by the Diocese. Each volunteer will be asked to place their Social Security Number on this form as it is through a person’s social security number that the search is accomplished. Needless to say these release forms will be kept confidential. Their confidentiality and security will be assured by the pastor. Should any criminal activity surface through the criminal background check, the pastor will meet with the volunteer and together they will determine whether the offense affects their participation in parish activities as volunteers. Only the pastor will be aware of any criminal background surfacing.
- **Other Diocesan Forms:** Those working with children or senior citizens need two letters of recommendation from friends and those who drive either of the above are required to complete a form listing their driver’s license and insurance information. Most volunteers who currently work with children or senior citizens have completed these forms. New volunteers will be asked to do so.
- **The Virtus Training Program:** The Diocese of Rockville Centre mandates that all volunteers attend the Virtus Training Program which is an educational program for employees and volunteers in parishes throughout the United States to train them to recognize the signs of a predator and instruct them on the best resources available for all of us to keep all of our children and young people safe. The Virtus Training Program is regularly offered. The moderator of the program for which you are volunteering will provide you with a list of dates and times when the program is offered.
- For your information, all employees of the parish (including priests, deacons and religious) have signed Release Statements allowing the pastor to seek criminal background checks. Employee Records have also been designated, similar to the Volunteer Service Request Form which gives the pastor a uniform record of employment for each parish employee.
- Every employee of the parish and every volunteer must complete these forms and attend the Virtus Training Program or forfeit their participation in any service to the parish.

Thank you for your kindness in serving the parish.
Thanksgiving is a very special time for each of us, as we celebrate and give thanks to God for family, friends and the many blessings we share. Still, there are those among us who will need our help to make their own Thanksgiving a happy one. Saint Barnabas has a rich and generous tradition of sharing its blessings with those in need by providing Food Baskets at Thanksgiving. So, this year again, we invite you to consider donating one or two of the following items:

- A gift certificate to purchase a turkey
- Fresh, frozen or canned produce
- Cranberry Sauce, Stuffing mix
- Juice & cider, A tin of cookies
- Pancake mix & syrup, Coffee & tea
- Thank you and may God Bless your generosity.

**Food Pantry Weekend**  
**October 31st & November 1st**

Next weekend is food pantry weekend. Along with our Thanksgiving Baskets needs the Food Pantry is always in need of coffee, paper products, laundry and dish detergent, shampoo, soap, toothpaste, cereal and canned pet food. Thank you for your continued generosity to our food pantry.

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**In Your Prayers Remember the Sick**

Nicoletta Russo, Meghan Alice Roach, Debbie Cain, Kenneth Hubert, Stephen Rich, Pauline Jennings, Rosemary Grandwilliams, Patrick Hoyne, Barbara Cannon, George Donohue, Ann DeChiaro, Louis Romano, Kristin O’Halloran, Patricia Merget, Jacob Daniel Haubeil, Jerry Hefner, Damon Capobianco, Lillian Rocco, Kevin Keegan, Maureen Connolly, Mildred Scalesi, Rita Lemma, Eugene Ryan, Francis G. Noonan, Terri-Ann Clarke, Jason Todhunter, Lottie Smakowski, Natalie Martin, Dr. Lawton Manderson, Terrie Manderson, Diane LaBianca, John C. Hannan Sr., George Stockerl, Corinne Capozzi, Dolores Young, Barbara O’Neil, James P. Corliss, Jr, Vic Caliguiri, Don Davis, John F. Coughlin, Carol Chiasera, Walter Eisenhardt and all the sick of the parish.

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**AMAZING CATECHISTS**

We would like to congratulate the following Catechists who were recognized by the Diocese for their years of dedicated service of teaching the faith at an award ceremony on Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at St. Agnes Cathedral.

**Bishop John R McGann Award**

- **Forty-Five Years:**  
  - Sister Alice Johnson

- **Thirty-Five Years:**  
  - Ms. Jeanette Butler
  - Mrs. Angela Ferrara

**Pope John XXII Award**

- **Twenty-Five Years:**  
  - Mrs. Marie Buccellato
  - Mrs. Mary Lou Till

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award**

- **Twenty Years:**  
  - Mrs. Helen Jemmott
  - Mrs. Phyllis Pace

**St. Pius X Award**

- **Ten Years:**  
  - Mrs. Lori Ann Bellairs
  - Mrs. Michelle Manzella
  - Sister Rose Annina Stehle
  - Mrs. Dorothy Waters

**Distinguished Service Awards**

- **Ten Years:**  
  - Mrs. Margaret Harnisch
**Bereavement Support Group**
This Fall our Bereavement Support Group will meet on Tuesday evenings beginning November 10th a 7:30 PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. This is an eight week program, conducted by trained facilitators. If you have experienced the loss of a spouse, please consider being with us, and know that you will be most welcome. The grieving process is often made easier by sharing with others who have been through the same experience. For information call Alice Witt at the Outreach Office at 785-6243.

**Widows & Widowers**
We will be attending the play Shenandoah at the Bellmore Movies and Showplace, 222 Pettit Ave., on Sunday, November 1st. The cost is $20. Send checks to Barbara Merget at 1736 Cornelius Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793.

**Medical Equipment**
The St. Vincent de Paul Society has a power recliner and a motorized scooter available if any parishioner is need of such equipment. Please call Alice Witt at the Parish Outreach Office at 785-6243 for information about the equipment or the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

**Thank You**
As has been discussed many times in our Bulletin over the summer, the Bellmore Knights of Columbus organized a “Bike Tour” with routes of 25, 50 and 100 miles along our beautiful South Shore to raise money for the St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. On Sept. 26 the event started at 7:00 AM with the blessing of the bikes by Fr. Charles and the 50 and 100 mile riders departing on their routes. The 25 mile riders departed around 10:30 AM. We had great weather except for a pretty good wind out of the east (the direction in which we started the rides). We finished the day with a BBQ for all of the participants and family members and those that volunteered to help with the event. The Knights and our community raised $8,500 which has been forwarded to St. Jude Hospital. This was the second of what we hope will be an annual event and we look forward to seeing more of you ride with us next year. Thank you for your support for this 2015 event.

**Bible Study Group**
Meetings are held in the rectory meeting room on Thursday nights from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM. For information call Rudy Flores at 785-2082.

**Weekly Meetings**
Al-Anon meets every Wednesday at 7:30 PM in the Rectory Meeting Room and every Sunday at 7:30 PM in the school cafeteria.
Remembering Your Loved Ones
In November

Mass for Our Serving Military, Their Families and Our Veterans
St. Barnabas
Saturday, November 7th at 5:00 PM

US Army:

National Guard:

US Navy:

US Marines:

US Air Force:
Col. George E. Loughran, Capt. McLean G. Bethea, Nicholas P. Wright.

US Merchant Marine:
Ensign Eric Stumpel.

US Coast Guard:
Ensign Robert M. Scaduto, Jr.

Remember your deceased loved ones by enrolling them in the novena masses and the prayers offered during the month of November. Envelopes can be found at the doors of the church today. The Book of Remembrance will be placed in the Sanctuary on November 1st where you can record those who have died. Those mentioned on the envelopes and in the Book of Remembrance will be remembered at Masses celebrated during the month of November.

All Souls Mass
On Monday, November 2nd, at 7:30 PM we will be remembering all the recently deceased members of our Parish family who have died this year and were buried from our church at a special Mass. The names of those who died will be read accompanied by the tolling of our Church Bell. This solemn reading of the names of the deceased will take place after the reception of Holy Communion. May all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

All Saints Day
Sunday, November 1st is All Saints Day. Since All Saints Day falls on a Sunday this year, the obligation to attend Mass on this day is abrogated. Masses will be held on Saturday at 5:00 PM & 7:30 PM and on Sunday, November 1st at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 AM and 5:00 PM.
Catholics for Freedom of Religion
Thursday, October 29th; 7:30 PM
CFFR at St. Patrick’s, Smithtown, will host Rabbi Aryeh Spiro, well known speaker and author of Push Back - Reclaiming the American Judeo - Christian Spirit, 280 Main St. Smithtown.

Wisdom and Healing Circle
Thursday, November 5th
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Meets on Thursdays, monthly. The group moderator will share guidelines and offer support for healing—as in wholeness...healing as in Holy. Join our wisdom and healing circle to deepen your spiritual practice. Donation is $20 per session. Tabor Retreat House, 60 Anchor Avenue Oceanside. For more information call 536-3004.

Making a Positive Difference
Friday, November 6th through Saturday, November 7th
This retreat is open to women familiar with the Al-Anon program. We often feel powerless to make a difference in universal brokenness. Together we will explore the power available through prayer and personal work. The retreat begins at 7:30 PM Friday, November 6th and concludes at 7:30 PM on Saturday, November 7th. The Instructor is Mary Adamo, MS. ED SPHR. Cost is $150 and includes room and meals. Commuter cost is $115 (lunch/dinner). Call 536-3004 for reservations.

Catholic Charities/Talbot House
Catholic Charities/Talbot House a Chemical Dependence Crisis Center, located in Bohemia, provides withdrawal and stabilization services on a voluntary basis to males and females over the age of 18, who are seeking to stop and/or withdraw from alcohol and/or other drug use. For more information please call (631)589-4144. Talbot House staff is available 24/7. Each call is confidential. Talbot House is a NO fee for service program.
Join your fellow parishioners for a Six Week Parish Retreat

DVD Presentation by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC
Followed by small group discussion
Reading materials will be available
Refreshments will be provided

Free will offering is greatly appreciated for cost of materials!

“To Jesus Through Mary”
Learn what four extraordinary saints knew about
“The quickest, easiest, surest way to holiness!”

33 Days to Morning Glory

Wednesday Evenings ...... Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, and Dec. 2
7:30 – 9:00pm  ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL
Msgr. James P. Kelly Parish Center

Consecration Mass and Celebration ... December 8, 7:30pm
Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Let’s begin the “Jubilee Year of Mercy” with our Blessed Mother!

Please register to join us! An accurate count is needed to order materials!
For information and registration call: Mary Tierney 516-375-0738
SEAS Biennial Fashion Show – Our biggest fundraiser of the 2015-2016 school year. It will take place on Tuesday, Nov 10th, 2015 at Carlyle on the Green. Donations for raffle baskets can be dropped off at the school or contact Candice at lucaseas@aol.com. Tickets are now available. See below.

SEAS Biennial Fashion Show
“A Red Carpet Event”

Carlyle on the Green,
99 Quaker Meeting House Rd., Farmingdale, NY
Tues., November 10, 2015 - 6:30pm - 11:00pm
$75 per person

**Sell 5 full price tickets and get the 6th ticket FREE**

Return bottom portion by Nov. 3, 2015 with a check payable to:
SEAS - Attn: Candice Luca, 2341 Washington Avenue, Bellmore, NY 11710

First & Last Name of each ticket holder: ________________________________

Contact Name & Phone #: _____________________________________________

Total # of tickets: _________ Total Amount Enclosed: __________________

Seat request (i.e.: grade/class/list names): ______________________________

Email Candice Luca for more info: LUCASEAS@AOL.COM
Christ has no body now but yours.
No hands, no feet, on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on the world.
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.
Yours are the hands with which he blesses the world.
Yours are the hands.
Yours are the feet.
Yours are the eyes.
You are his Body.

(St. Teresa of Avila)

This week we will be starting our fourth week of Religion classes and we are still in need of Adult volunteers to assist as Hall Monitors and Substitute Catechists.

**Important Dates**

*Sunday, November 1st* – All Saint’s Day  
*Monday, November 2nd* – All Soul’s Day  
*Sunday, November 1st through Saturday, November 7th* – National Religious Education Week  
*Wednesday, November 11th* - NO Classes – Veteran’s Day  
*Saturday, November 21st* - Level 5 Reconciliation – 11:00 AM in the Church  
*Monday, November 23rd through Thursday, November 26th* – NO Classes – Thanksgiving week.

Please remember to check the Religious Education grade level calendars as well as the website to keep informed of dates of classes, as well as when classes are not in session, homework assignments, and requirements.

We are now on Facebook!  We will now be able to post to Facebook so you will all be aware of what is going on in Religious Ed. as well as send out reminders and any changes to the calendar, and class cancellations! Please “LIKE” us on Facebook at St. Barnabas Religious Education.
Hi everyone!
This is the page for St Barnabas Life Teen. I’m Peggy Harnisch your youth minister!!

Hi Everyone,

Last week we had the wonderful opportunity of meeting many parishioners at the Ministry Fair! It was great to connect with other ministries also. There are so many things to be a part of at St. Barnabas, there is definitely something for everyone! In thinking about the Ministry Fair and this week’s Gospel, I can see a connection.

This week we hear the story of Bartimaeus, a blind beggar. Now remember, at this time the disabled were so marginalized that they often had to sit and beg to be able to live. Bartimaeus however, had the faith to yell out to Jesus. Everyone else watched Jesus but he heard Batimaeus’ voice. Jesus reached out to him and asked what he wanted. Bartimaeus told him that he wanted to see. We don’t know who else in the crowd believed in who Jesus was, but because Bartimaeus believed and spoke out, Jesus told him he was saved.

So do we speak out in faith in our lives? I certainly don’t mean standing in front of school reading a Bible to everyone who passes by, but by how we live our lives. If someone asks you if you believe in God, proudly say yes. Get involved in something here in the parish. Everyone at the Ministry Fair says they have faith by proudly being involved in one of the ministries here. Download one of the Bible apps for your phone. Talk about faith with family members. Have the kind of bold faith that speaks up in how we live!

Have a blessed week!
~Peggy

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Dates to Remember!

Friday, October 30th
Halloween Party!!
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
School Cafeteria
Middle and High School
Will include a pancake eating contest, mummy wrap, food, games and music!

Friday, November 6th
Middle School Night
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Friday, November 20th
Holy Hour/Dodgeball
Middle and High School Students

If you are an adult who might enjoy working with teens, maybe you would like to be a part of our Core team!
Email Peggy for information!!
We need you!
stbarnabasyouthministry@gmail.com