Blessed Are You
Sunday Readings # 870 in the Hymnal

St. Barnabas the Apostle
Ordinary Time Sixth Week

**Monday, February 18**
- Fr. Michael 6:30 AM  
  Charlie and Ann Klika
- Fr. Kevin 9:00 AM  
  Nieves Rivera
  Mary Elizabeth McTigue
  Bart Collins
  Michael Paraninfo
  Lisa Demarest

**Tuesday, February 19**
- Fr. Kevin 6:30 AM  
  Meghan Alice Roach
- Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM  
  Joseph Domenico Tavella

**Wednesday, February 20**
- Fr. Michael 6:30 AM  
  Steve Liu
- Fr. Michael 9:00 AM  
  Domingo and Fotunato Cormace

**Thursday, February 21**
- Fr. Kevin 6:30 AM  
  Beth Liu
- Fr. Michael 9:00 AM  
  John Stewart

**Friday, February 22**
- Fr. Michael 6:30 AM  
  The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle
  Luigi Chiarello
  Deceased Members of the Schmitt and Grogan Families
- Fr. Kevin 9:00 AM  
  Saint Polycarp
  Alan Schwall
  Margaret Beatty
  Barbara Breslin
  Daniel Dooley
  Mary McNulty
  Vincent Biscione
  Jerry Giuliano
  Clement R. Solieri

**Saturday, February 23**
- Fr. Michael 8:00 AM  
  Filomena Lamberti
- Fr. Kevin 4:30 PM  
  Anne Tulumello

**Sunday, February 24**
- Fr. Kevin 7:00 AM  
  Seventh Sunday Ordinary Time
  Filomena Lamberti
  Anne Tulumello
- Fr. Michael 9:00 AM  
  Brian Urick
- Fr. Kevin 10:15 AM  
  Anne Buonocore
- Fr. Adrian 10:30 AM  
  Lucia and Luigi DiMeglia
- Fr. Michael 12:00 PM  
  For the People of Our Parish
- Fr. Adrian 5:00 PM  

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To place a notice in our Bulletin email stbapostle@gmail.com.
To place an advertisement on our cover call The Church Bulletin at (631) 249-4994.
Parishioners of St. Barnabas, as well as people of faith all over the State of New York, were shocked and saddened when our legislators cheered and applauded as they removed restrictions on late-term abortions.

Governor Cuomo signed the Reproductive Health Act into law on January 22nd. It allows non-doctors to perform abortions, permits abortion up until the moment before birth, and completely removes abortion from the state's criminal code. While politicians claim the moral high ground on so many other issues, they seem to be silent on what this will mean for countless innocent lives. In fact, they present the law under the guise of protecting women's health, rather than the horror of permitting the killing of babies who could otherwise survive outside the womb.

Our concern is not for politics. It is for justice – justice for the abortion-seeking woman, and justice for her preborn child. Tax dollars are used to fund organizations like Planned Parenthood. They killed more than 330,000 children last year, and receive over half a billion taxpayer dollars annually from the federal government in the process.

I urge our parishioners of St. Barnabas to read the letter from Bishop Barres in the bulletin and to pray one rosary for life this week. Then contact one or more of our elected officials to let them know that this Act violates the dignity of the human person and that we do not support it.

All people should be protected in law, especially the most vulnerable.

Fr. Adrian
The Beatitudes — we know them so well! None of us are untouched by these beautiful words of Jesus. “Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours.” That means when you’re running on empty, when you’re spiritually bankrupt, when you’ve lost it all—God’s kingdom is here for the finding. Blessed are those who are ravenously hungry. You’re blessed when the tears flow freely. Count yourself blessed every time someone smears your name to discredit Jesus. You’ll be glad because all heaven applauds you. But how miserable for you who are rich, for you have had all your comforts. How miserable for you who have all you want, for you are going to be hungry. How miserable for you who are laughing now, for you will know sorrow and tears. How miserable for you when everybody says nice things about you, for that is exactly how their fathers treated the false prophets. Ouch! These Beatitudes disrupt and reverse fortunes. Look across the pews in our church. There’s a poor woman just diagnosed with breast cancer in a world that caters to those who can pay for relief. And two pews in front is a young person who suffers silently from anorexia—she’s believed the lie that looks are everything. Near her is a working mother who holds her last paycheck, and a pew up is the student on academic probation who gets a lousy grade in chemistry and then over there is an alcoholic who’s made a slobbering mess of his life. Jesus is very near to these people. Jesus comes out from behind the altar and walks among the people. “Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh” He promises. You will laugh because God is at work getting ready for another resurrection of a failed life. We need the Beatitudes that ask how our relationship with God is getting along. Be honest about facing injustice, about helping the poor. The beatitudes challenge us to live a faith and spirituality that is relational and social.
We Pray for Our Deceased
Rosalie Zerbo
William P. Hrica Jr.

Sanctuary Lamp
Is lit in loving memory of Donald Williams from his wife Eileen, children and grandchildren.

Sisters of St. Barnabas Intention
That the Spirit of God be with all peacemakers and may He strengthen them and guide their efforts.

We Pray for Our Sick
Periodically “We Pray for Our Sick” list is amended. At this time, we are asking that you contact the rectory at 785-0054 to advise us whether or not a name should remain or be deleted from the list. Thank you for your assistance.


The Week Ahead

Sunday: 7:30 PM  Al-Anon, S. Cafeteria
Monday: Rectory Closed
7:30 PM  Charismatic Prayer Group, HFC
Tuesday: 12:30 PM  Friendly Seniors, HFC
Wednesday: 7:00 PM  Al-Anon, Rectory
7:00 PM  RCIA, Convent Room
7:30 PM  Choir, Church
Thursday: 7:00 PM  Bible Study, Rectory
Friday: 1:30 PM  Lectio Divina, Rectory
Saturday: 8:00 AM  Anointing, Church
8:30 AM  Men’s Group, HFC
12:30 PM  Confession

Our Finances
2/10/19: $15,900
2/11/18: $16,560
Parish Families Registered: 5,083
Envelopes Mailed: 1,451
Used: 2/10/19: 563  2/11/18: 500

Catholic Ministries Appeal
Goal: $108,900  Donors: 636
Pledged: $118,531  Received: $117,266

Special Collections
March 3rd  St. Vincent de Paul — St. Barnabas Conference
March 6th  Ash Wednesday—Lent
Resources. To help us distribute books for spiritual reading and to organize speakers and events during Lent at St. Barnabas
March 10th  Church in Need
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you…” (Jeremiah 1:5)

At the very heart of our beliefs about who we are and why we exist, is a message of love. God creates us out of love. Out of love, He redeems us by the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. He calls us to an eternal destiny with Him because He loves each sacred human life, created in His image.

That we are created in God’s image is reaffirmed in our nation’s Declaration of Independence, reminding us that we “are endowed by [our] Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” The right to life is the foundation and starting point for every other God-given human right. When that right is attacked or denied, all other rights and liberties begin to crumble.

You are probably aware that on January 22, 2019, the 46th anniversary of Roe v. Wade (the Supreme Court decision that declared an absolute constitutional right to abortion), Governor Andrew Cuomo of New York signed into law the “Reproductive Health Act”, which he himself called “the most aggressive” abortion law in the country. It was then “celebrated” by his lighting up One World Trade Center and the Alfred E. Smith Building in Albany.

It is our obligation as citizens and as Catholics, to be well informed and to make our voices heard in the public square when evil and injustice threaten the sacred gift of life at any stage.

On a human level, this gruesome law should be appalling to people of every faith, or no faith. The Reproductive Health Act allows for abortion on demand with no restrictions throughout all of pregnancy. This means that as a choice, an abortion could be performed on a full-term infant as the mother is going into labor.

This law might also open the door to taking away conscience protections from medical personnel, and could be used to force doctors, nurses and other medical staff to perform or to assist in abortions. Governor Cuomo claims that he is protecting women’s rights, when in fact, this law endangers the lives of women by allowing non-physicians to perform abortions, and it removes any objective standard of care due to the patient.

The Act has also removed criminal penalties when an unborn child is deliberately targeted for death in a crime. Two and a half weeks after the bill became law, the Queens District Attorney said he could not prosecute a man for the stabbing death of his unborn child in the womb of his girlfriend, because of the passage of the Reproductive Health Act.

Unimaginably, the law also repeals protections for infants who are accidentally born alive during the course of a failed abortion. This amounts to infanticide, the killing either by direct
means or by neglect of an infant who is alive outside the womb. The law is silent on reducing the pain and suffering of infants, especially those being aborted late term.

Brothers and sisters, this law is an abomination that cries out to Heaven for justice. We cannot be silent in the face of such a blatant attack on the most vulnerable among us. I invite you to do several things:

1. **Stay informed and educated** regarding these issues and the battles ahead of us, such as assisted suicide and legalized surrogacy. Two outstanding resources available to you are:
   - The Diocese of Rockville Centre Respect Life Office and web page: (516) 678-5800 Extension 381 or on the web at [https://respectlife.drvc.org](https://respectlife.drvc.org).

2. **Get involved.** Both web pages listed above offer easy links to contacting your elected representatives. Let the Governor and our other elected officials know that this Act violates the dignity of the human person and that you do not support it.

   Get involved in the efforts already underway at your parish, such as Respect Life Committees. In addition, our Diocesan Respect Life Office can direct you to ways that you can support and promote the sanctity of life locally, on Long Island.

3. **Pray.** Pray the Holy Rosary. Ask the intercession of Our Blessed Mother Mary, Protector of Mothers, Defender of Life and the Family, to strengthen us so that we may be compassionate, courageous witnesses to the truth. Ask also for the intercession of Saint Thomas More, patron of statesmen, politicians, lawyers and judges, who lost his life for refusing to renounce his conscience and give in to the tides of political power and privilege.

   Pray for our elected officials and for all people and pray that our politicians come to understand their profound obligation to defend the most defenseless among us. Any Catholic who actively supports an attack on the sanctity of life, chooses to place him or herself in grave moral danger and outside of the Communion of the Church. We pray for their souls, for a spirit of repentance, for a return to the truth of the love of God. It is God’s love that formed each one of us in our Mother’s womb.

A civilization that not only will not protect, but actually celebrates an attack on its most vulnerable members is morally bankrupt and stands on the verge of collapse. We pray for the courage of the martyrs, that an awakened spirit of evangelization and voices raised together will move hearts and minds, and call us back to our God-given senses, to the God who made us, who loves us, and who offers us our eternal destiny in love.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Sincerely in Christ,

[Signature]

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre
Liturgical Ministry Training
Please contact Fr. Adrian if you are interested in serving as a Lector or a Minister of the Eucharist at St. Barnabas. These are the dates for training.

**Nassau County** -
Saturday, February 23rd at St. Christopher’s in Baldwin from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Wednesday, April 3rd at St. Christopher’s in Baldwin from 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

**Suffolk County** -
Saturday, March 9th at St. Rosalie in Hampton Bays from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM (English in Community Hall; Spanish in Parish Center)
Thursday, May 23rd at St. Elizabeth in Melville from 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM in Msgr. Kane Hall

One may attend either training but not both for a given day. Please contact the rectory for information and/or to register.

**Basic Training** - For all those who would like to minister at parishes as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC).

**Specialized Training** - For those EMHC’s intending to work with the sick (e.g., hospitals, nursing homes, homebound) - You must attend the basic train before attending the specialized training.

**Lector Training** - For those who wish to proclaim the Word of God at their parishes. All men, women, and young adults who wish to become a lector at their parish should attend a diocesan training session.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors
Sign-up sheets for Ash Wednesday, March 6th Masses and Services are available in the Sacristy. Please sign up after Mass or call the rectory.

Palm for Burning
Please place your palm in the basket at the doors of the church.

St. Patrick’s Day Dinner Dance
Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day at the Bellmore Knights of Columbus Club on Saturday, March 9th from 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM at 101 Frederick Avenue. Dinner will include corned beef and cabbage, chicken cutlets and Irish soda bread. There will be an open bar with Irish coffee and live music. Cost is $40 per person. For reservations contact John Weber at 426-3682, Bill Styne at 965-1399 or John Murphy at 221-8599 by March 2nd.
Our Mission is to Encourage Evangelize & Educate

St. Barnabas Pre-Cana
Closing Mass: April 7th - Sunday, 5:00 PM followed by refreshments.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Celebrate Marriage - A Full Day Enrichment for married couples. All married couples are invited to join us on Saturday, March 16th from 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM at Corpus Christi Parish, 155 Garfield Avenue, Mineola. We will gather at 9:30 AM in the parish hall. Continental breakfast and lunch provided. $40 per couple. RSVP by March 8th to Diane and Jim Popp at 794-0069 or dmuckster@aol.com.

Language of Love - An Enrichment for married couples based on the bestselling book “The 5 Love Languages” by Gary Chapman. All married couples are welcome to join us on Sunday, February 24th from 10:30 AM - 5:00 PM at St. Therese of Lisieux, 67 S. Essex St., Montauk. We will gather for 10:30 AM Mass with Fr. Tom followed by lunch and registration at 11:45 AM in the Parish Hall. Presentation from 12:30 PM - 5:00 PM. $30 per couple. RSVP by February 19th to Chuck and Maria Reiss at (631) 486-8607 or Chuck.Maria.Reiss@wwme.org.

Divorced or Separated Catholics
A social organization for single persons, including widows and widowers, is having a New Member Orientation Meeting on Wednesday, February 27th at 7:30 PM at St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh. All are welcome. Bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, call Carol at 794-4933 or Fran at 889-5790.

Run for Tomorrow’s Hope
Join Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation and Long Island Catholic Elementary schools for the 4th Annual 5K & Fun Run for Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation. Saturday, March 30th at 450 Franklin Avenue and Fourth Street, Garden City. Fun Run starts at 8:30 AM, 5K starts at 9:00 AM. The mission of the Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation is to ensure the excellence as well as the continuance of Catholic Schools on Long Island by increasing awareness and by providing scholarship and program funding for the needs of students and schools. The Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation gives hundreds of children each year the opportunity to attend Catholic elementary school.

Widow and Widowers St. Patrick’s Day Lunch
St. Patrick’s Day lunch at the Wantagh Inn on Thursday, March 14th at 12:30 PM. This event is being run by Eileen Keeley (826-5476) and Mary Higbee (826-3019). The cost is $24. Checks should be sent to Eileen Keeley, 1880 Village Lane South, Wantagh 11793, no later than March 12th.

Regional Prayer Meeting
The Diocese of Rockville Centre Charismatic Renewal Office is having a Regional Prayer Meeting. Please join us as we come together to worship our Lord and King on Monday, February 25th, at 7:30 PM, St. Martin of Tours, 220 Central Avenue, Bethpage. Our speaker will be Pat Murray. “Winds of Flame” Music Ministry.
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus gives us the blessings of serving the poor, hungry and weeping people, for you will then rejoice and leap for joy. But Jesus also teaches us the decisiveness of choice: blessing or woe. There are two paths in life one can follow, and either one is with Jesus or against Jesus. The lure is to be consoled now, have our fill now, laugh now, be respected now. Jesus is showing another way; our condition now doesn’t matter so long as we trust and hope in the Lord now. Blessedness isn’t a matter of keeping our own eyes glued on Jesus. Choosing to help those who are suffering will fill your heart with the blessing of Jesus and indeed your reward will be great in heaven.

Focus on Religious Freedom

Alert! Conscience Protections for Health Care Workers at Risk: New York - Calling new York State’s newly expanded abortion law “ghoulish”, N.Y. Cardinal Timothy Dolan said, “Those who once told us that abortion had to remain safe, legal and rare now have made it dangerous, imposed and frequent.” The new law “allows for an abortion right up to the moment of birth; drops all charges against an abortionist who allows an aborted baby, who somehow survives...to die before his eyes; mandates that, to make an abortion more convenient and easy, a physician need not perform it; and might even be used to suppress the conscience rights of health care professionals not to assist in the grisly procedures.” The law proclaims “Every individual has the fundamental right: ...to choose contraception or sterilization...or to have an abortion. The term “fundamental right” is extremely significant since it incorporates the
The constitutional law principle that these “rights” cannot be regulated except in the most narrow way possible. Therefore, the language of the law poses a direct threat to religious freedom and conscience rights. It gives the state the authority to deny licenses to individuals and institutions that do not provide or cooperate with abortion. The United States remains one of only 7 of the 198 nations in the world to allow abortion on demand past 20 weeks. These are North Korea, China, Vietnam, Singapore, Canada and Netherlands. Research shows that unborn babies feel pain at 20 weeks and most even earlier. “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you…” Jeremiah 1:5.

The Men of the Way of Light

In today’s Gospel, Jesus begins to teach us the Beatitudes. More appropriately, they should be called the Be-Attitudes because they portray the way Christians ought to be in their attitudes and behavior. It is the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful, and the persecuted that warrant Jesus’ compassion and His blessing. Should we conclude from this passage that it is preferable for people to be poor, hungry, sorrowful and persecuted? Or that it is inherently evil to be happy, popular or have a full stomach? Of course not! Jesus is acutely aware of the physical, emotional, social and economic inequities that exist among His people. Jesus DID NOT speak of economic redistribution, or of social or political revolution. Jesus’ remedy was to create a society of the compassionate within the society of the indifferent! Nothing you have would be yours if God hadn’t given it to you! How you use what has been given to you is of God’s concern. Our participation in relieving suffering is essential to the reality and presence of the Kingdom of God! It is we who spread the Hope and the Blessings given to us by Jesus. Truly contemplating this may turn your life upside down! Need to discuss? Please join our faith discussion group at our next meeting on Saturday, March 9th, immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass. We meet in the Nazareth Room of the Holy Family Chapel. Bagels and coffee served. Our meetings run until 10:30 AM. For more information, visit our FaceBook page.

SAT Exam Prep Course

St. Dominic High School in Oyster Bay is holding SAT Exam Prep Courses on the following Saturdays: March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, April 6th, and 13th. 9:00 - 11:30 AM in Marian Hall. Course fee is $250 and includes textbook. Contact Mrs. Stutzmann at 922-4888, ext. 5241.
Full Time Position

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Lindenhurst is looking for an extremely organized, detail-orientated and multi-tasking person to fill the position of Parish Secretary. This energetic individual must be a team player and enjoy being in a fast-paced environment with a great deal of interaction with others. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Full-time position, with benefits. Computer proficiency required. Must know Microsoft office Suite and familiarity with Parish Data Systems (PDS) is preferable. Excellent verbal communication skills and impeccable grammar and writing skills essential. Contact Frank Pokorney, Business Manager, at fpokorney@oloph.org or at 210 South Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst for more information or to send resume.

Catholic Charities Employment

Bi-lingual Program Supervisor needed for Immigration Services in Amityville. Full time position. Master’s in Business Administration or Human Services required. 3 - 5 years project or program management experience including staff supervision. Prior work experience with immigrant families or children a plus. Clean, valid NYS Driver’s License to travel to Nassau/Suffolk. Ability to work flexible hours when needed. Email resume and cover letter to - jobs@catholiccharities.cc or fax to 733-7038. Reference “NYSARY Program Supervisor”.

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NATIONAL GUARD:

US NAVY:

US MARINES:

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Rev. Major Timothy Hirten, Nicholas P. Wright.

US MERCHANT MARINE:
Lt. J.G. Eric Stumpel.

US COAST GUARD:
Lt. Robert M. Scaduto, Jr., SA Kieran Baisley.
SEVEN TUESDAYS FROM MARCH 5 TO APRIL 23, 2019

Holy Family Chapel
7:00pm-9:00pm

Day Retreat: Saturday April 13, 2019

Each session includes four components:
(1) Welcome and Prayer (2) Video Teaching (3) Fellowship (4) Small Group Discussion

Session Topics
1. Daily Personal Prayer
2. Hearing God in Scripture
3. The Power of the Sacraments
4. Forgiving One Another
5. The Spirit-Empowered Life

6. Retreat
   The World
   The Flesh
   The Devil

7. Advancing the Mission
   of the Church

7. Celebration Session

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Stairlift available.
Bereavement Conference
For the Bereaved and those Ministering to them
theme
GRIEF IS... A JOURNEY

Saturday, March 30, 2019
ST. PATRICK PARISH, HUNTINGTON
9:00am to 3:00pm
$40.00 includes continental breakfast and lunch

Keynote Speaker
Kenneth J. Doka, PhD
Professor of Gerontology at the Graduate School of the College Of New Rochelle; Senior Consultant to the Hospice Foundation of America.

Kenneth J. Doka, PhD is a prolific author; Dr. Doka’s books include Grief Is a Journey; Finding your Pathway through Loss, Helping Adolescents Cope with Loss, Journeys with Grief, A Collection of Articles about Love, Life, and many others. Dr. Doka is editor of both Omega: The Journal of Death and Dying and Journeys: A Newsletter to Help in Bereavement. He has an ongoing blog for Psychology Today entitled Good Mourning.

He is a recipient of the Caring Hands Award as well as the Dr. Robert Fulton CDEB Founder’s Award. In 2006, Dr. Doka was grandfathered in as a Mental Health Counselor under NY State’s first licensure of counselors.

Dr. Doka has keynoted conferences throughout North America as well as Europe, Asia, Australia and New Zealand. He participates in the annual Hospice Foundation of America Teleconference and has appeared on CNN and Nightline. In addition he has served as a consultant to medical, nursing, funeral service and hospice organizations as well as businesses and educational and social service agencies. Dr. Doka is an ordained Lutheran minister. For more information visit www.drkendoka.com

To keep up to date on the Conference and all Bereavement services, support groups and programs available, please visit our website: www.drc-faith.org/bereavement/
Level 7 Class
February 27th or 28th
Chapter 10 ‘Why Tell My Sins To A Priest?’
The Healing Power of Confession

The purpose of this lesson is to convey the reality of sin and its consequences, to instill an aversion to personal sin, and to cultivate a desire to seek the healing power of Christ in Confession in order to achieve deeper conversion and a more intimate walk with God. The Catechism teaches us that Catholics who have reached the “age of discretion” must go to Confession at least once a year or whenever they have committed mortal sin. Confessing venial sin on a regular basis is also recommended by the Church. A regular examination of conscience and sacramental Confession are important to personal conversion. It is important to recall that reconciliation is not primarily about punishment, but about re-establishing the unity and intimacy that sin disrupts in our relationships with God and other people.

Conversation Starters
What are some ways we can see God’s “rules” (for example, the Ten Commandments) as ways to make us more free, rather than less free?
Why is confession called a ‘sacrament of healing?’

Level 8 Class
March 13th or 14th
Chapter 22 ‘Why Wait?’
God’s Plan for Love and Sex

The purpose of this lesson is to present chastity as the path to authentic love and to introduce the “Theology of the Body” principles to this age group. We want to show how the personal expressions of authentic love mirror (truly, yet imperfectly) the love of the Blessed Trinity—that we are, indeed, “made in the image and likeness of God.” For teens, the virtue of chastity is best interpreted not as a prohibition (avoid sex), but as an invitation (seek and reflect real love to others out of love for God). At the same time, we must offer practical applications in order to help them distinguish between authentic love and cultural counterfeits (e.g., lust).

Conversation Starters
How is choosing to wait until marriage to have sex the best possible way to say, “I love you”?
Why do you think some teens feel like they have to say “yes” to sexual activity? What are they looking for?
If true love is “free, total, faithful, and fruitful” (see CCC 1643), how can one practice these things even as a single person?

Reconciliation for Level 8 at 7:30PM Wednesday, March 13 & Thursday, March 14.
Service of Light for Level 8 at 7:30 M Wednesday May 1 & Thursday May 2
Confirmation with Bishop Andrzej Monday, May 20
Lectio: Peter
Episode 5: Peter and the Keys

Did Jesus Establish the Papacy?
What are the “keys of the kingdom” and why are they so important to understanding Peter and his successors’ role in the Church? Discover the Old Testament parallels and how Jesus restored and perfected both the kingdom and its offices in his Church.

Fact of Faith
Feast of the Chair of St. Peter
Feast—February 22

While the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, celebrated on June 29, focuses on the martyrdom of St. Peter, this celebration draws attention to his role in the Church. The “Chair of St. Peter” is an image of his seat of authority—an authority that was given not for his own personal gain but so that he could be a source of unity for the Church. Jesus told Peter, “I have prayed that your own faith may not fail; and once you have turned back, you must strengthen your brothers” (Lk 22:32). Today, this feast reminds us of the significance of the ministry of St. Peter and the succession of popes who followed in his footsteps.

Prayer for Pope Francis
In honor of the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter, let us pray for his most recent successor.

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd;

Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
**REMININDERS:**
We cannot allow anyone into the building during class time that is not a volunteer - doors will open at 5:30 PM for dismissal. If you have not come in to sign for and pick up your “Parent Safety Guide” please call the office to make arrangements to do so as soon as possible.

**Calendar Dates at a Glance**
**Monday - Thursday, February 18th - 21st:** No Classes, Winter Recess
**Tuesday, February 26th:** First and second graders and families - Journey to Easter, Our Lenten Journey Workshop, 7:00 - 8:00 PM in the Holy Family Chapel. RSVP by February 15th - (785-0130).

With the cold weather upon us, we are in need of Adult Volunteers to sub when the catechist cannot come in as well as Hall Monitors to help maintain the safety in the building.

Days and times of classes: Monday - Thursday from 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM. Please call the Religious Ed. Office at 785-0130 for more information.

We are in need of volunteers from our Youth Group for our soup dinner here at St. Barnabas. The soup dinner is the first Friday of Lent, March 8th, at 5:30 PM in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School. This is a great opportunity for service for school or Confirmation. If you are able to assist, please email stbyouth17@gmail.com to let us know. Thanks!

Kieran Maelia, Youth Minister
Be Still and Know

Call for a private tour today!

Thank You 8th G. For Hosting Mass!

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FRIDAY MARCH 15
CURE' OF ARS @ 7:30

SEAS FAMILY BINGO

We are a Regional Catholic School serving our five parishes: St. Barnabas, Cure of Ars, St. Raphael, St. Frances de Chantal, and Sacred Heart.

SATURDAY MARCH 2
SEAS CAFETERIA

FATHER'S CLUB ANNUAL WINE EVENT

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Trace the letters below.

Rejoice

For people who are poor, hungry or sad, Jesus promised blessings.

Match the shapes.

Jesus also said, "Blessed are you when people ... insult you ... because of the Son of Man."

Connect the dots.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
ACROSS
5. A feeling of great happiness
6. The home of God, the angels, and those who have been saved
7. To have a desire or need for food
8. Having a great amount of money

DOWN
1. Having very little money or few possessions
2. To shed tears
3. Something given or received in return for good behavior
4. The sound which expresses happiness or delight

joy  poor  rich  laugh
reward  hungry  weep  heaven
Jesus Speaks of Blessings

Help the people from each place reach Jesus.
The people from each area will follow a different path, marked by a shape.
Move up, down, left, right – only no diagonal moves.

The people tried to touch Jesus. Why?
Write the letter that is in the first word but not the second word on the line to the right. Then transfer the letters to the numbered blanks below.

1. stifle – flies
2. olive – veil
3. barge – gear
4. swear – wars
5. earth – tear
6. leap – pal
7. reveal – lever
8. glare – rage
9. easy – say
10. pedal – leap

What else did Jesus say?

Cross out the word that fits the definition in each line. The word that remains fits in the numbered blank below.

RA      RICH
CO      FORTA
CL OUD FED
HU      RGY GO
SE W LAUGH
MO U RN JOB
GL A D WEEP

1. precipitation
2. a superior grade
3. a mass of vapor in the sky
4. to depart from a place
5. fasten with needle and thread
6. work done for pay
7. happy

“But woe to you who are 1) rich, for you have already received your 2) __________.

... Woe to you who are well 3) __________ now, for you will go 4) __________

... Woe to you who 5) __________ now, for you will 6) __________ and 7) __________.”

“Blessed are you who are poor for the kingdom of God is yours.”

(Luke 6: 20, Lectionary)