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DECEMBER 3, 2023 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

Mark 13:35-37

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

-SATURDAYS FROM 2:30 TO 3:30 P.M.-

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held in the confessionals at the back of the church every Saturday from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Access to the church is through the side door near the iron gate.

Reconciliation is also available by appointment. Call (805) 682-4151, ext. 101 to schedule.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Victoria Kline Majalisa Van Thyne

Scott Maier

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Saturday and Sunday:** CLOSED

If you wish to visit the parish office in person, please make an appointment by emailing parishoffice@saintbarbaraparish.org or calling (805) 682-4151.

MASS SCHEDULE

All Masses take place in the Mission church.

Saturday Vigil – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday -7:30 A.M.

SUNDAY — 9:00 A.M.

Live Stream and public Mass
(Live stream may be accessed on our website
or YouTube channel.)

Sunday -11:00 A.M.

(Family-Focused Mass)

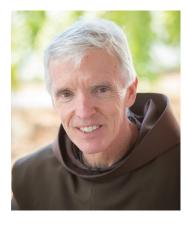
WEEKDAY MASS- 8:00 A.M.

Monday-Friday

LETTER FROM FR. DAN

Dear Friend,

On the first Sunday of Advent, I'll imagine the prophet Isaiah kneeling on the border ground of Israel and Palestine, on the site of recent massacres and kidnappings. Or kneeling in the middle of a bombed-out street in



Gaza. His cries to God break the quiet of a ceasefire: "Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have become like unclean people...We have all withered away like leaves...you have hidden your face from us..."

In fact, Isaiah was writing in the second half of the 8th century B.C.E. to a community recently returned from exile to their native land. Another kind of cease-fire? In any case, it was time to begin again.

In this week's second reading, the community in Corinth is beginning again as well. Paul begins his letter by assuring them they have what they need: "[With] the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus...you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ."

In the Gospel, Jesus himself points us to a new horizon: "You do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. Watch!"

As a parish community, we begin this Advent season at a harrowing time in our global history. The words of the Canadian Theologian Douglas John Hall seem to fit: "The church exists so that God has a place to point people toward a purpose as big as their capabilities, and to help them identify all the ways they flee from that high call." This is our Advent moment, our time to begin again.

Gratefully, Fr. Dan ofm, Pastor

*Quoted in "Speaking of Sin" by Barbara Brown Taylor, p. 85



MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

FEAST OF ST. BARBARA 8:00 a.m. Mass (*Church*)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

8:00 a.m. Mass (*Church*) 12:15 p.m. Mass (*Church*)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

PROCESSION HONORING OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

5:30 p.m. Gather at De La Guerra Plaza and Rosary

6:00 p.m. Procession to Our Lady of Sorrows Church

7:00 p.m. Prayer Service and Reception with Bishop Slawomir Szkredka

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION

7:00 p.m. (Our Lady of Sorrows Church)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Bonaventure Hall)

CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG AND BLESSING OF THE CRECHE

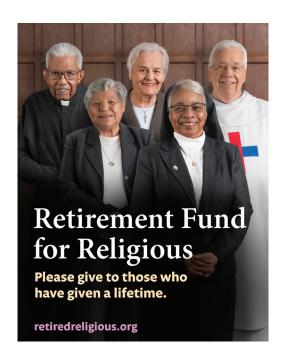
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

WINTER SOLSTICE

6:00 a.m. Prayer Service (*Mission Plaza*) 8:00 a.m. Mass (*Church*)





SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND DECEMBER 9-10

Elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests

have devoted their lives to prayer, service, and works of mercy. Most ministered for little or no pay. Today their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Contributions to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps hundreds of U.S. Religious communities, including our own Franciscan Friars, to provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities for their aging brothers and sisters. We see God's love manifest in the prayers, generosity, and advocacy of all who share in the mission to ensure that elderly religious enjoy a safe, modest retirement. Donation envelopes will be available in the pews at all Masses next weekend. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

ADVENT RETREAT



"ADVENT: LIVING HOPE"

Sister Mary Leanne Hubbard, Presenter

Saturday, December 16 -- 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bonaventure Hall

The Scriptures during Advent offer reminders of our reasons for hope. These stories are promises, and we are challenged to live into them through the virtue of hope in the Living God. Join us as we take time to ponder these truths with Mary during this retreat and through the remaining days of Advent.

Sr. Mary Leanne Hubbard, SND is Provincial Councilor of the Sisters of Notre Dame.

To register, click below or visit the Parish website.

REGISTER NOW



SECOND SUNDAY SPEAKER SERIES

Homelessness, Climate Change, and Our Community Sunday, December 10th | 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. | Bonaventure Hall

· Rosa Paredes

St. Vincent's President and Chief Executive Officer

· Sr. Arthur Gordon

D.C. St. Vincent's Vice President of Mission Integration, FVCC and Archives

• Elijah Pearce

Architect RRM Design Group, and St. Barbara Parish Green Team member In his encyclical Laudato Si', Pope Francis argues that the "cry of the earth" and the "cry of the poor" are intrinsically linked. Join our guest speakers next Sunday as they discuss how climate change is compounding the challenges of housing and homelessness in Santa Barbara, and present an innovative new project which seeks to respond to the cry of the poor in our community. Click below or call the parish office to register.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Join us for Mass on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day! Registration is not required. 300 chairs will be provided for the 4:00 p.m. outdoor Mass.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

9:00 a.m. Mass (Church) ** will be livestreamed

11:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 p.m. Mass (Outdoors, weather permitting; chairs will be provided)

10:00 p.m. Mass (Church)
** will be livestreamed

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

7:30 A.M. Mass (Church)

9:00 A.M. Mass (Church)
** will be livestreamed

11:00 A.M. Mass (Church)





MESSAGE FROM THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council is seeking input and feedback from parishioners to shape the life of St. Barbara Parish through a long-term vision. Council members are collecting thoughts, concerns, hopes, and dreams from key relationships within the parish, including the results of Parish Synods, with the goal of drafting a vision for the church, setting specific goals, and determining what is needed from the community to bring the vision to fruition. Of particular interest are the relationships between parishioners and ministries, our relationship with the Archdiocese, and with external organizations around the community, including other parishes. Your experience, insights, and perspectives will be crucial as we prepare ourselves as a community to respond to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

To participate, you can schedule an in-person or Zoom discernment interview by clicking <u>HERE</u>, or complete an online questionnaire <u>HERE</u>.

Thank you!



St. Barbara Parish Giving Tree for Transition House

Our annual Giving Tree for the children of Transition House will be on the Welcome Table after all Masses on December 3, 10 and 17. It's a wonderful opportunity to brighten the lives of children in need during the Christmas season.

Just choose an ornament from the tree, purchase the gift card listed on the ornament, and deliver it to the parish office or Welcome Table no later than Sunday, December 17. Your donation will mean so much.

Thank you!

BECOMING A LAUDATO SI' PARISH

LAUDATO DEUM: 2. A GROWING TECHNOCRATIC PARADIGM

As he reminds us in *Laudato Deum* (2023), Pope Francis in *Laudato Si'* (2015) offered "a brief resumé of the technocratic paradigm underlying the current process of environmental decay... It consists in thinking 'as if reality, goodness and truth automatically flow from technological and economic power" and in accepting "the idea of infinite or unlimited growth." Eight years later, "we have been able to confirm this diagnosis, even as we have witnessed a new advance of the above paradigm," such as artificial intelligence. The alternative to this technocratic paradigm is a "healthy ecology...as occurs in the indigenous cultures and has occurred in different regions of the earth. Human groupings have often 'created' an environment, reshaping it in some way without destroying it or endangering it." When the Spanish began colonizing Alta California in the 18th century, they often described the natural environment as resembling gardens, parks, and orchards. The indigenous peoples were not farmers and ranchers like the Spanish but tended the land in ways that mimicked nature and insured sustainable sources of food. The colonial enterprise introduced an early form of the technocratic paradigm to places like California. But indigenous peoples like the Chumash may yet get the last word.

~ Roger Bergman (rbjps@creighton.edu)

[For further reading: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/ documents/20231004-laudate-deum.html or search "Laudato Deum"]

MASS INTENTIONS

To schedule a Mass intention, contact parishoffice@saintbarbaraparish.org

- Dec 2 Pro Populo People of the Parish Dec 3 Lisa O'Niahll (7:30 a.m.)
- Dec 3 † Ruben Nimo (9:00 a.m.)
- Dec 3 † Frank Montero, Junior (11:00 a.m.)
- Dec 4 † Helen Corry
 Dec 5 † Jeannie Welsh
 Dec 6 † Iimmy Degnar
- Dec 6 † Jimmy Degnan Dec 7 † Celia Scoltock
- Dec 8 † Mimi Reding (8:00 a.m.)
- Dec 8 † Scott Francis McKeon-Hegger (12:15 p.m.)
- Dec 9 † George Albert Ellis
- Dec 10 Pro Populo People of the Parish (7:30 a.m.)
- Dec 10 † Aureo Miguel (9:00 a.m.) Dec 10 † Joseph Reeves (11:00 a.m.)

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE

Garden of healing for victim-survivors of sexual abuse

With the continuing support of Archbishop José H. Gomez, the third garden of healing in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles dedicated to victimsurvivors of sexual abuse was recently dedicated at Saint Francis de Sales Parish in Sherman Oaks. These gardens are a manifestation of our ongoing care for and support of those impacted by sexual abuse in all its forms. The other two gardens are located at St. Camillus Center for Spiritual Care in Los Angeles. (San Gabriel Pastoral Region) and Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Ventura (Santa Barbara Pastoral Region). The Archdiocese encourages anyone with information regarding sexual abuse to please make a report to law enforcement and/or the Office of Victims Assistance Ministry at (800) 355-2545 or protect@la-archdiocese. org. For more information on the abuse prevention and protection efforts of the Archdiocese, please visit https://lacatholics.org/protect/.

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