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and 7:00 pm**

BAPTISMS:

4th Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm by prior arrangement

MARRIAGES:

Please contact priest 6 months prior

CONFESSIONS:

**First Friday of the month: from 7:15 am to 7:50 am and
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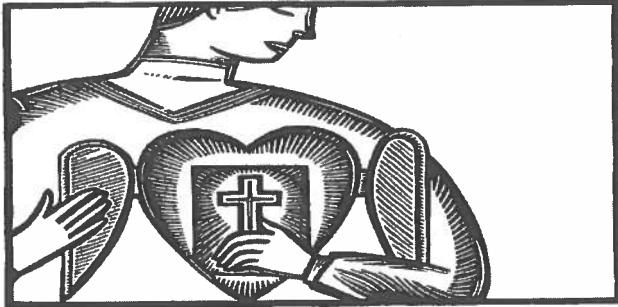
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**Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 22, 2015**

**I will place my law within them
and write it upon their hearts;
I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.**

— *Jeremiah 31:33*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will make a new covenant; I will write my law upon their hearts (Jeremiah 31:31-34) or *Ezekiel 37:12-14*.

Psalm — Create a clean heart in me, O God (Psalm 51) or *Psalm 130*.

Second Reading — Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation (Hebrews 5:7-9) or *Romans 8:8-11*.

Gospel — If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit (John 12:20-33) or *John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]*.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny

Monday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

Wednesday: The Annunciation of the Lord

Friday: Abstinence

**COFFEE AND DONUT
FELLOWSHIP**



After the 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am Masses on Sunday, you are cordially invited to go to the Parish Center for coffee, donuts and fellowship. This is a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners.

Volunteers are needed to help serve after the morning Masses. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer and join the Coffee and Donuts Sunday Ministry, please call Peter Salas at (562) 852-1180.



**WEDNESDAY
DEVOTION**

This **Wednesday, March 25th** we will have devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help starting at **6:30 pm**.

Do you need to fill an Easter Basket or need a hostess gift? See's Candy will be sold after all the Masses this weekend in the Church parking lot to take home that day. This fundraiser will support the many ministries of the St. Barnabas Religious Education Program.

March 21, 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I pray that you are experiencing a fruitful Lenten journey. In the spirit of Lent, I write to you to discuss a difficult topic—parish finances—in order to enlist your support of our St. Barnabas faith community.

Over the past several years, St. Barnabas Parish has accumulated a debt that will soon reach \$700,000. Despite a thorough review of parish expenses, an overhaul of accounting practices, and serious efforts to cut expenses, St. Barnabas Parish continues to run a weekly deficit of between \$2000 and \$3000. However, I am confident that together we can solve this problem. To put it plainly, if every family at St. Barnabas gave \$5 more each week, our weekly deficit would be gone and we could begin to pay down the debt.

Many of you are familiar with rumors that our parish has accumulated approximately \$1.2 million in debt. The \$1.2 million amount also includes approximately \$500,000 in debt accumulated by St. Barnabas School—much of which was incurred as the result of a \$260,000 embezzlement from the school by a former school secretary. That individual was convicted of felony grand theft, and is currently making restitution. Since the embezzlement was discovered, and the integrity of accounting practices restored, St. Barnabas School has operated without a loss.

From the history of our parish financial practices, and from the comments I received since I assumed my office, we could possibly infer that a history of lack of transparency with parish finances, financial mismanagement, the economic downturn, and scandals in the larger Church have gradually contributed to the parish debt. But I can assure you that Parish Lay Leaders, Fr. George Reynolds, and I, are strongly committed to complete transparency and absolute accountability.

In the past year and a half, your priests, deacons, parish staff, Pastoral Council, Finance Council, and lay ministers, have worked diligently to completely overhaul how money is collected, counted and accounted for in the parish. You can be absolutely certain that every dollar that you place in a collection envelope and collection baskets is used for the benefit of St. Barnabas parish. Weekly collections have been reported every week in the parish bulletin for a long time, but a periodic report of all expenses has been neglected—that will change. Together with this letter, we the finance council, present to you an Income and Expense Report for the first half of this fiscal year.

At each of the Masses this weekend (March 21 and 22), Finance Council members will briefly discuss how we arrived here, and where we are headed. On Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 7 p.m., we invite you for a meeting in the Parish Hall where Finance Council members and I will be available to answer your questions. Transparency will remain the standard at St. Barnabas from this point forward. I ask that you prayerfully consider your financial support of our parish community in order to address this urgent and ongoing need.

Certainly, we have great plans for enriching various pastoral ministries offered at St. Barnabas, but those ministries needed to be supported by solid finances as well. With your help, St. Barnabas will again be transformed. Let us live in the Hope of Easter. St. Barnabas, pray for us!

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Antony Gaspar
Parish Administrator Pro Tem

St. Barnabas Church - Normalized Financial Statements

Income / Expense Report (Normalized)	Normalized Jul - Dec 14	Normalized Monthly Ave.	Normalized Weekly Ave.
Income			
I. - ORDINARY INCOME - UNRESTRICTED			
Total A. · COLLECTIONS	291,366.52	48,561.09	11,206.40
Total B. · DONATIONS-SACRAMENTS/SERVICES	11,182.90	1,863.82	430.11
Total C. · INTEREST/INVESTMENT INCOME	751.97	125.33	28.92
Total E. · OTHER INCOME	14,400.00	2,400.00	553.85
Total I. · ORDINARY INCOME - UNRESTRICTED	317,701.39	52,950.23	12,219.28
Total II. · OTHER INCOME - RESTRICTED	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Income	317,701.39	52,950.23	12,219.28
Expense			
III. - ORDINARY EXPENSES			
Total H. · SALARIES & BENEFITS	187,354.42	31,225.74	7,205.94
Total J. · OPERATING EXPENSES	151,165.42	25,194.24	5,814.05
Total III. · ORDINARY EXPENSES	338,519.84	56,419.97	13,019.99
IV. - OTHER EXPENSES			
Total K. · OTHER EXP.	28,313.44	4,718.91	1,088.98
Total IV. · OTHER EXPENSES	28,313.44	4,718.91	1,088.98
Total Expense	366,833.28	61,138.88	14,108.97
Net Income / (Loss)	-49,131.89	-8,188.65	-1,889.69

Balance Sheet (Normalized)	Normalized Dec 31, 2014
ASSETS	
Total Current Assets ¹⁾	156,051.36
Total Fixed Assets	207,014.67
TOTAL ASSETS	363,066.03
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Total Current Liabilities	3,852.42
Total Long Term Liabilities	681,049.88
ARCHDIOCESE ACCUMULATED ASSESSMENT	681,049.88
Total Liabilities	684,902.30
Equity	
307010 · PRIOR YEAR FUND BALANCE	359,213.61
ARCHDIOCESE LIABILITY ADJUSTMENT	-681,049.88
Total Equity	-321,836.27
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	363,066.03

1) Current assets includes restricted income related cash

**OUR COLLECTION FOR THE SUPPORT OF
ST. BARNABAS PARISH**

**MARCH 15TH, 2015
4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

2014
\$12,238.62

2015
\$12,460.25

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH: Yolanda Burgess, Kathleen Butler, Isabela Velasquez, Jane Dixon, Bernie Graves Scott, Dorothy McDermott, Jean Newberry, Andres Aguinaldo, Edith Daley, Garnet Schwarz, Molly Herman, Carmen Weiss, Lois D'Aunoy, Lucille Burton, Rose Tucker, Evelyn Gruchow, Micky Witt, Connie Manzon, Bob Daley, Lydia Barrientos, Michael McDermott, Jr., Kathryn Grundre, Jo Ellen Carrasco, Andrea Carrasco, Jason Gruspe, Dorothy Ortiz, Sheila Porcuincola, Austen Mayer, Maureen Avila, Bill Dorsey, Marilyn Rundell, Julia Dorsey, Gloria Ramirez, Anna Bowler, Ed Martinez, Mary O'Connor, James Kramer, Antonio Andaya, Laurie Ann Wheeler, Doris DeLeon, Alfonso Villalobos, Bertha Mendosa, Michelle Tramma, Marguerite Bradshaw, Karen Pimentel, Lynda Mendola Marie Soukup, Lorina Duran, Remedios Caguioa, Robert Tyo, Luella Diel, Sister Bernice Jordan, Frank Alvarado, Debbie Bornilla, Betty Chrysler, Michael Sheridan, Olivia Santos, Tom Yocis, Leo Montano, Dolores Browning, Natalie Hernandez, Gloria Dorsey, Fely Cruz, Donald Addy, Rosie Pall, Gary Negrete, John Ruzsak, Mark Stephens, Samuel Lopez, Francisca Masa, Deborah P. Smith, Steve Carrasco, Steven Carrasco, Jan Wynne, Roberto Guevara, Diane Thomas, Mary Thomas, James Dorsey, Ron Arias, Jason McKinney, Erin & Cari Nacaratto, Jeremiah Flanigan, Helen Feser, Reynante Senar, Linda Contreras, Hector Gustilo, David Ledesma, Dan Carrasco, Alyssa Sais, Romeo Fernandez, Joyce Threadgill, T.G. Falcon, Sharon Sperry, Lal Lalan, Richard Vanvooren, Herminia Gomez, Steve Szito, LaWanna Sullivan, Diana Maldonado, Al Susanka, Steven Gale, Raymond Tanguay, Frances Boudreau, Angie Carrasco, Sergio Tamayo, Hugo Pennock, Maureen Mc Maden, Francisco & Laura Dominguez, Joseph Cariaga, Richard Zavala, Debbie Platt, Art Antes, James Crawley, Robert Wolstoncroft, Dr. Alfredo Ovalle, M.D., Chito Tenza, Andrew Gemeinhardt, Boy Dalog, Ernie Bayudan, Jeanne Roerig, Helen Nieto, Steven Seymour, Maria Rios and Gloria Braico.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 23rd	8:00 am	Ray Salas +
Tuesday, March 24th	8:00 am	Esteban Joya +
Wednesday, March 25th	8:00 am	Intention of Virginia Kirwin
Thursday, March 26th	8:00 am	Roberto Galindo, Sr. +
Friday, March 27th	8:00 am	Julia Noronha +
Saturday, March 28th	8:00 am	Jose Palaganas +
	5:00 pm	Leonette Maria Pardee +
Sunday, March 29th	7:30 am	Pascuala Honculada +
	9:00 am	Intention of St. Barnabas Parishioners
	10:30 am	Helen Dee Stellenberg +
	12 noon	Nokaleta Cardriche +



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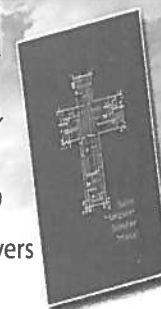
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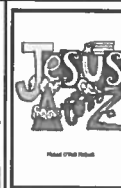
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