August 9, 2009
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Catholic Community of Saint Barnabas

PARISH MISSION

The family of St. Barnabas Parish celebrates the Eucharist, welcomes and serves all, shares talents, fosters learning, and initiates others into the life of Christ.

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The Pastor’s Mutterings

This morning two articles on the internet caught my attention. One reported that the use of antidepressant drugs in the United States doubled during the last ten years, and that more than 164 million prescriptions for antidepressants were written during 2008 in the US, totaling $9.6 billion. The other article reported a new study that shows major depression can be chronic even in very young children, contrary to the stereotype of the happy-go-lucky preschooler.

In this weekend’s Old Testament reading, Elijah traveled a day’s journey into the desert, sat down under a broom tree, and prayed “I have had enough, Lord, take my life.” Then he lay down and fell asleep. Most everyone who hears this story will know that it is not just about one man on a particular day. It is a story about dejection with life, a world-weariness that affects us all at one time or another. It is a story about depression.

There is no more common illness to afflict human beings. One in ten of us are depressed enough to need medical attention. Abraham Lincoln was chronically depressed, as was Michelangelo, and many other famous people. In less severe ways, depression afflicts most everybody – men, women, adults, children, rich, and poor. Depression is no respecter of rank, race, gender, or age. It can happen when it is least expected, as with Elijah, who had just won a great victory for God in a contest with 450 pagan prophets. He was a hero! But Jezebel threatened his life, and he ran in fear into the desert. When he got tired of running, he ran from life itself, and begged God to let him die. But when God found Elijah under the tree, he sent an angel to give him something to eat. No sermon, no scolding, no guilt trip – just something to eat. God came with a concrete, physical act of service and compassion. And Elijah, strengthened by that food, traveled forty days and nights to the mountain of God.

The treatment of depression often requires the use of modern medicines and professional care, and it is good that they are available. But sometimes the only thing you or I can do for someone we love who is depressed is to bring a cup of soup, or offer a hug, or sit in silence with him/her. If we can help that person make the first step, then we may well be the angel God has sent.

And if any of you today are down in the dumps, or feel tired and lost, please know that God comes to you as to Elijah, to restore your strength, to lift you up and get you on your feet again. God offers one simple gift – an invitation to come eat at a table set just for you, the table of the Lord.

Come, all you who are hungry, discouraged, defeated, hopeless, sinful, needy. Come one and all. Come and eat the food for our journey to the mountain of God.

Fr. Bill Malloy

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UNDERWAY AT ST. BARNABAS

Summer is usually a time to kick back, relax and take a much-needed break from the hectic pace the school year brings. But at St. Barnabas, summer is a great time to tackle capital improvement projects that become difficult to accomplish during the school year—this summer, the grounds are buzzing with activity.

The Physical Resource Committee identified six (6) important projects needing attention*; 3 of which that were identified as “needling immediate attention” as outlined in the 5-Year Plan. In order to accomplish these projects, we withdrew a portion of our savings that were on deposit at the Archdiocese. For a full description of the projects and the details, visit our website at www.stbarnabasparish.org.
ST. BARNABAS PRAYER WALL IN HONOR OF THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

In celebration of the Feast of the Assumption, the Junior Art and Environment Committee is inviting all parishioners to participate in the creation of a prayer wall at the Marian Shrine in St. Barnabas Church. Following a tradition both Christians and Muslims practice in Ephesus, Turkey, near what is believed to have been Mary’s House after the death of Jesus, and is considered a sacred place by the Catholic Church, everyone in the parish is invited to write an intercessory prayer to our Heavenly Mother, and to attach it to the prayer wall. Ribbon, paper and pencils will be provided for all. For more information about the prayer wall at Ephesus, view the following websites:


Susan Dardar, Junior Art and Environment Coordinator

This small stone chapel is believed to be built over the house of the Virgin Mary and to be a place of miraculous healing.

Photo © Helen Betts.

Prayer wall on the way to the House of the Virgin.

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Administration—Our Finances

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Other Collections —June

| Religious Retirement | $4,228.93 |
| Peter’s Pence | $1,568.00 |
| St. Martin DePorres | $261.31 |
| Holy Family | $556.50 |
| Education Fund | $1,052.00 |

Please note: Donations of $250 and higher will no longer receive a separate IRS letter. All donations will be included in your Annual Statement of Contributions.

Please let us know if you would like your Sunday contribution automatically debited from your account. To set up, contact Gail Byrnes at 779-1166.
St. Barnabas Church is creating a Teen Contemporary Spirit Band and Choir. The teen band and choir will play for our newly created Sunday Night Teen Mass which kicks off in September. Do you want to come together to create a fun and upbeat Mass for teens?

- We are seeking RELIABLE, DEPENDABLE TEENS who can meet weekly in August and September to rehearse and plan the monthly masses. The band will only meet weekly in August and September. After our first mass in September the band will rehearse one hour, once a month immediately before the monthly mass.

- We need COMMITTED TEENS. We need teens who are committed to the rehearsals and each mass. There are only nine masses all year.

- We need Teens who are not just committed and reliable but who are UPBEAT & FUN TEENS! We need teens who want to make the mass upbeat and meaningful for their peers.

IF YOU ARE A RELIABLE, DEPENDABLE, TEEN WHO PLAY AN INSTRUMENT OR WANTS TO SING THEN PLEASE JOIN THE BAND! JOIN US IN CHURCH SUNDAY AUGUST 2ND AT 6PM.

We REALLY need your time and talent.

Contact Maryellen at the rectory or via email at pharri5794@comcast.net for more info.
The Monthly Leadership Night was held on Monday, August 3. A summary of each commission’s accomplishments and upcoming events are described in the following “Two-Minute Report”…

**Education/Faith Formation Commission…**
- Is seeking one or two couples to assist with Marriage Preparation. Interested couples should contact Marie Ruff at the Rectory — 779-1166.
- Formed a steering committee to brainstorm various ideas for spiritual growth and education for adults.
- Announced that the children will return for 1/2 day on August 24th.
- The biblical scholar, Fr. Bill Burton will speak on September 3, 17 and 22, and October 1.

**Administration Commission…**
- Has asked the Parish Council to design a template for each commission to track their progress towards achieving the goals as outlined in the 5-year plan.
- The Finance Board’s goal of centralizing all parish auxiliary accounts will take place this year, beginning with the Leisure Club account which should make life easier for the treasurer’s of these groups.
- Grant-In-Aid has approved 5 requests for a total of $16,000 of tuition assistance with another 3 to discuss.
- Debbie Tanis, Director of Development started on 7/30.

**Human Concerns Commission…**
- Respect Life reported great success with the diaper project. Upcoming campaigns will include the Maria Shelter fundraiser at a White Sox game. Labor Day is Mission Sunday with visitors for Peace. Peace & Justice is working to help the parish undergo recycling in parish facilities with the goal of going green. They will also discuss the possibility of selling fair trade good with County Fair. Outreach opportunities for the winter months are being discussed.

**Spiritual Life Commission…**
- Current goals were amended to include a new goal to become familiar with the translation of the Roman Missal. The second music ministry kick-off for all vicariate music ministers is Tuesday, September 22. The Art & Environment committee is looking into a workshop with Phil Horrigan. New co-chairs of A&E are Colleen Mulchrone and Barb Majeski. Bishop Gustavo’s 25th anniversary celebration will be held at CK on 8/16 @ 2pm for the C Deanery.

**Parish Life Commission…**
- Parish Life discussed and revised their goals for the Development Plan. The Fall Festival is being planned for Saturday, September 25th following the 4:00 Mass.

**Parish Council…**
- Parish Council discussed several administrative member matters, such as Commissions, Council and Leadership terms of service, Communication to the Parish Council before and after meetings, and Council member responsibilities for the upcoming year.
- Parish Council discussed their 2009-2010 goals:
  - Direct implementation of the Development Plan
  - Oversee completion and implementation of 5 Year Financial Plan
- Improve overall communication within the Parish.
- Parish Council agreed that the following would be the new Parish Theme: “St. Barnabas - making a difference through faith, family and friendship.”
- Parish Council agreed that the following would remain our Parish Tagline: “St. Barnabas A Catholic Community of Faith Family & Friends”

As you can see, much is happening. Thank you to all the commission members and for all the volunteers who make St. Barnabas such a vibrant parish. Your gifts of time, talent, and treasure are truly appreciated!
The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 14th. Welcome back!
**LEISURE CLUB — FALL SCHEDULE**

We hope you’ll agree our fall meetings look really interesting.

- **Tuesday, September 8,** Father Smith will discuss the life and work of Flannery O’Connor
- **Tuesday, October 6,** A tour of Blackwelder Mansion led by Jack Simmerling.
- **Wednesday, November 4,** the musical Thoroughly Modern Millie at Drury Lane Theater.

Our meeting time has been changed to 12:30 p.m. so those with 2:00 Renaissance Classes can attend both programs. The Rosary will be said at 12:15 in the Spirit Chapel. Those who need a ride to our meeting can contact Sue Burke 881-1882 or Paula Bukacek  445-9151.

**ST. BARNABAS BRIDGE MARATHON**

The St. Barnabas Bridge Marathon Group is accepting new members. Our purpose is social bridge and fellowship, but we also make a sizable contribution to the parish. Our 2009-2010 season starts in September.

There is some space available in both the ladies groups and mixed couples groups. It is a fun, casual game. We would be delighted to have you join us and meet some new friends. If you are interested please call 773-239-2601, so that you can be included in the play beginning in September.

**REMEMBER: ST. BARNABAS FOOTBALL CHEERLEADING REGISTRATION**

All girls entering 5th through 8th grades next fall are invited to sign up for St. Barnabas Buckeyes Football Cheerleading. Any girl who attends St. Barnabas School or Religious Education is welcome to participate. The fee is $55. Our season begins in mid August with an Instructional clinic and continues until the end of the football season. Uniforms for both the Varsity and Jr. Varsity squads will be the same as last year. Uniform orders will be placed over the summer. Approximate uniform costs are $35 for JV and $50 for Varsity. Please contact Mary Wolf at 445-3017 or MJWOLF1@Yahoo.com if your daughter is interested in registering.

**ST. BARNABAS FALL SOCCER PROGRAM**

Registration for St. Barnabas Fall Saturday Soccer will be Wednesday August 12 from 12:00 to 8:00pm in the school gym. This program is open to all St. Barnabas school families and St. Barnabas religious education families. The cost is $15 per child or $40 per family. Games will begin Sat. Sept. 12th. Contact Sue Nagle 238-5290 with questions.

**ST. BARNABAS CLASS OF 1979**

A 30 year reunion has been planned for Saturday, September 19th at 7:30pm at Cullinan’s Stadium Club, 116th and Western Avenue. If you are a graduate or a family member of a 1979 St. Barnabas grad, please pass along this information and e-mail saintbarnabas1979@gmail.com ***

Thank you!
WELCOME DEBBIE TANIS

We are pleased to announce that Debbie Tanis has recently joined the parish staff as the Director of Development for the parish and school. In this role, Debbie will help the parish staff and leadership team implement the goals of our five year strategic development plan.

Debbie will work closely with the Administration Commission, Development Committee, Finance Board and Endowment Foundation. Her focus will include stewardship programs, planned giving, alumni relations, fundraising, and parish communications.

With more than 25 years in sales and marketing, she has worked extensively in the financial services, non profit, and consulting industries. Debbie lives in the south suburbs with her husband Dan, daughter Jackie and son Danny.

She is extremely excited about the mission of St. Barnabas and is anxious to help us achieve our parish goals. To reach her, please stop by the rectory office, give her a call (773-779-1166), or send her an e-mail (debra.tanis@att.net).

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

A reminder for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Sacristans and Altar Servers:
The deadline for any changes in mass preferences or for submitting dates you will be away for the fourth quarter of 2009 (October, November, December) is August 15th. Please fill out a Minister Change form found in the sign-in books and return it to the rectory.

BISHOP GUSTAVO GARCIA-SILLER’S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Please join the 12 Parishes of our deanery in celebrating Bishop Gustavo Garcia– Siller’s 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood, August 16, 2009 at Christ The King Parish, 9235 S. Hamilton. Mass is at 2:00 p.m. with a reception immediately following. Please bring your favorite appetizer or dessert to share. If you have any question, please contact Sue Clark or Karen McKee at 773-238-4877.

SAVE THE DATE

The biblical scholar Fr. William Burton will speak on the following dates:
• September 3, 2009
• September 17, 2009
• September 22, 2009
• October 1, 2009

Please mark your calendars, All are welcome!!!

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Saturday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption. Since the feast falls on a Saturday this year it is NOT a holy day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m.
Please Pray for our Military
Ryan Graber
Timothy Clemmons, CPL.
Mark Boyle
Peter Chaveriat
Jennifer Chaveriat
Damien Christopher
Patrick Bansley
Maureen Moroney

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PLEASE NOTE:
Articles for the bulletin are due on the Friday of the preceding week.
Please direct any questions to Geri Doherty at 779-1166 or e-mail barnabasbulletin@yahoo.com. If you have an article for the website please send to stbparishweb@yahoo.com.

Parish Calendar

WEEK AT A GLANCE

August

Mon. 8/10
9:15 a.m. Rosary Church
3:30 p.m. Girls’ Basketball Gym
7:00 p.m. Baptist Prep Rectory Lodge Room
7:00 p.m. Athletic Board Convent South
7:00 p.m. School Board Library
9:30 p.m. Men’s Basketball Gym

Tues. 8/11
9:15 a.m. Rosary Holy Spirit Chapel
10:00 a.m. LaLeache League Convent East
3:30 p.m. Girls’ Basketball Gym
7:00 p.m. Adult Faith Rectory Lodge

Wed. 8/12
9:15 a.m. Rosary Holy Spirit Chapel
12:00 a.m. Information Wednesday Convent Lawn
6:00 p.m. Football Gym

Thurs. 8/13
9:15 a.m. Rosary Church
3:30 p.m. Girls’ Basketball Gym
6:00 p.m. Manna Gym
7:00 p.m. Pictorial Directory Rectory
8:15 p.m. Al-Anon Convent Dining Room
8:30 p.m. AA Early Childhood
9:30 p.m. Men’s Basketball Gym

Fri. 8/14
9:15 a.m. Novena Church
3:30 p.m. Girls’ Basketball Gym

Sat. 8/15
8:00 a.m. Girls’ Basketball Gym
10:00 a.m. Children Liturgy Church Hall
12:00 a.m. Girls’ Basketball Gym
5:30 p.m. Teen Spirit Band & Choir Church
8:00 p.m. AA Early Childhood

Sun. 8/16
10:00 a.m. Children Liturgy Church Hall
12:00 p.m. Girls’ Basketball Gym
5:30 p.m. Teen Spirit Band & Choir Church
8:00 p.m. AA Early Childhood

Please Pray for

Fall Family Festival
Saturday Sept. 26
Mass 4 pm
Fest 5 pm- 10 pm

Music, Food, Fun, games and activities for all ages.

Important: Volunteers are needed to make this annual parish event a success. Please consider giving an hour or two of your time. Please contact Mary Jo Viero @ mjviero@yahoo.com or call 773-445-1507. This is also an opportunity for students to fulfill service hour requirements.

RECTORY SUMMER HOURS
For the summer the Rectory will close at 4:00 on Friday’s
Thank you and HAPPY SUMMER!
We gather as a community to celebrate Mass:

**Saturday**: 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday**: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00

**Weekdays**: 6:45 am Communion Service is in Chapel; 8:45 am Mass is in Church

**Mon, 8/10**
6:45 am  People of St. Barnabas
8:45 am  Berneice Matthews

**Tues, 8/11**
6:45 am  Communion Service
8:45 am  O’Dea Family
  Katherine & Joseph Calascibetta
  Tony Martinez

**Wed, 8/12**
6:45 am  People of St. Barnabas
8:45 am  Margarete Wynne

**Thurs, 8/13**
6:45 am  Communion Service
8:45 am  Jill Brace

**Fri, 8/14**
6:45 am  People of St. Barnabas
8:45 am  Mary Therese Creamer

**Sat, 8/15**
8:00 am  Lawrence & Julie Cassidy

**Saturday, August 15**
4:00 pm  Eucharist Celebration
  **Intention**  McKenna Family
  **Presider**  Fr. Leahy
  **Deacon**  Jim Temple
  **Lector**  Peggy Gannon
  **Eucharistic Ministers**  Richard Williams
  **Ministers**  Albert Kosik
  **Ministers**  William Waddell
  **Martha McNicholas Lowry**
  **Kitty Carroll**
  Richard Williams
  Patricia Ahern
  Steve Coyne
  **Servers**  Aidan Maloney
  **Kaylie Sampson**
  **Pat Pavlonis**
  **Sacristans**  Gerri Howard

**Sunday, August 16**
8:00 am  Eucharist Celebration
  **Intention**  Antoinette Loik
  **Michael Deckelman**
  **Presider**  Fr. Donovan
  **Lector**  Selma Stewart
  **Eucharistic Ministers**  Barbara Styczynski
  **Andrew Styczynski**
  **Janet Barry**
  **Joseph Basile**
  **Anne Malone**
  **Julie McGawley**
  **Carol Warshall**
  **Servers**  Hannah McMahon
  **Ryan Ruff**
  **Casey Valentine**
  **Sacristan**  Kathy McGarry

10:00 am  Eucharist Celebration
  **Intention**  Francis A. “Rainey” Byrnes
  **Presider**  Fr. Markelz
  **Lector**  Susan Faber
  **Eucharistic Ministers**  Michael Crispo
  **Ministers**  Marilyn Thibeau
  **Patrick Rohan**
  **Sr. Carlotta Oberzut**
  **Jean Roberts Forst**
  **Marilyn Burke**
  **Lucy Beemsterboer**
  **Sheila Bauschelt**
  **Michael Bauschelt**
  **Servers**  Peter Nagle
  **Liam Millerick**
  **Sam Sereiko**
  **Sacristan**  Barbara Lucente

12:00 pm  Eucharist Celebration
  **Intention**  People of St. Barnabas
  **Presider**  Fr. Malloy
  **Deacon**  Andy Neu
  **Lector**  Erin O’Donnell Russell
  **Eucharistic Ministers**  Jim Briggs
  **Ministers**  Ann Briggs
  **Heather Linehan**
  **Patty Fahey**
  **Karen Woodson**
  **Holly Sutker**
  **Tom Hlousek**
  **Servers**  Maura Caruso
  **Abbey Lawler**
  **Madeline O’Keefe**
Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday afternoon from 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm in the Church or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick/Communion If a member of your family is ill or homebound, please call Mrs. Marie Ruff in the rectory.

Holy Orders Anyone interested in knowing more about formation for priestly or diaconate ministry is asked to call Fr. William Malloy in the rectory office.

Infant Baptism Infants are baptized on the first and third Sundays of the month at 1:30 pm or at any regularly scheduled Sunday mass. First time parents are required to complete the Baptism Prep Class which are offered on the second Monday of every month. Please contact Mrs. Marie Ruff in the rectory.

New Parishioners We welcome you! Please introduce yourself to us. We ask that you register with Mrs. Marie Ruff in the Rectory.

Sacraments of Initiation/RCIA Those of catechetical age (7 years and up) are baptized and fully received into the Catholic faith annually at the Easter Vigil. Formation begins in the fall. Please call Sr. Julie Flynn, OP, 773/445-3450.

Marriage Please call the Rectory to speak to a priest about making arrangements 4 to 6 months in advance.

Religious Education Grammar school students who are not attending Saint Barnabas School are encouraged to register for Religious Education classes. Contact Sister Julie Flynn, OP, at 773/445-3450.

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