



SAINT BARBARA CATHOLIC CHURCH

May 3, 2020

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

PASTOR:	Rev. Brian Cline
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:	Marisa Stoll
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SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

SATURDAY - 4:30 pm. - **SUNDAY** - 8:00 am, 10:30 am
HOLYDAY VIGIL - 7:00 pm - **HOLYDAY** - 9:00 am and 7:00 pm
WEEKDAY - Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9:00 am - Wednesday, 8:20 am
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - **SATURDAY** - 3:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

BINGO: Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (PLC)

BAPTISM

Mandatory Baptism Preparation Sessions are held *By Appointment*. Baptisms are held the fourth Sunday of the month.

REGISTRATION

New families should register by phone or by coming to the Rectory. Every wage earner should make a real effort to support the parish with Christian generosity.

RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*)

The RCIA is the ancient and currently renewed process for initiating adults into the Catholic Church. It is for those desiring full membership through Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. We invite newcomers who are seeking membership to join us! Call the church office for information.

MARRIAGE

Arrange six months in advance.

MINISTRY OF CARE

For visits to shut-ins or the homebound, call:
Tess Simonetti- (330) 832-0597
and Julie Turkal- (330) 832-7868

Bulletin Submissions

Bulletin submissions are due to the rectory by Tuesday at noon. Inserts should be sent in **electronic form** whenever possible.

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St. Barbara Parish Mission Statement

We, the Christian Community of Saint Barbara Parish are united in our solid Catholic Faith and tradition. We strive to live out our Baptismal Call through service to our members and God's people.

Through support and education, we shall nurture spiritual growth, at all ages, while promoting a strong foundation for our values and beliefs.

Joyfully, we go forth, through the working of the Holy Spirit, to carry out the Mission of Jesus Christ.

MAY 3, 2020**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER****Collection: -The below numbers reflect monies received in the parish office through Wednesday, April 29, 2020.**

Mail-In \$ 7,298.32

Online \$ 2,830.00

Total \$ 10,128.32

Monday - 05/04

Intention - Rev. Frank Lenherd (Rev. Brian Cline)

Tuesday - 05/05

Intention - Rev. William Loveless (Rev. Brian Cline)

Wednesday - 05/06Intention - LIVING Floyd & Barb Draime in honor of their 70th Wedding Anniversary**Thursday - 05/07**

No Mass

Friday - 05/08

Intention - Joe & Nola Kircher (Kathy Schuler & Bonnie Schillig)

Saturday - 05/09

Intention - Eleanor Hamel (Husband, Jim)

Sunday - 05/10 - Fifth Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day)

Intention - For all of the mothers of our parish

Sanctuary Candle:This week, the sanctuary candle is lit for Pete Heimann in honor of his 80th birthday, with love from family.**Recognition of 2020 Graduates:**

Graduation from high school or college is a major life milestone to be celebrated! This marks the end of a long period of studying and schoolwork, building relationships, and establishing an identity. During the current pandemic, our graduates have missed out on some of the typical events and experiences that they have been looking forward to. Please remember to keep them in your prayers as they are preparing to move on to fulfill God's plans for their lives! We would like to include a picture and short biography of 2020 high school and college graduates in our bulletin. Please submit your information by contacting Amy Davis at (330) 284-9257 or amy.davis@saintbarbaraparish.com by Tuesday, May 5th.

Recorded Masses:

Don't forget, Fr. Cline is recording daily and weekend Masses and they are uploaded to our website each day. Please join us for daily worship at www.saintbarbaraparish.com.

Mass Intentions:

Weekday Mass Intentions are available. If you would like to schedule a Mass for a loved one, please call the rectory office at (330) 833-6898 and speak with Jennifer.

WE MISS YOU!

It's been tough not seeing everyone's faces at Mass on Sundays, so we are asking you to post pictures of you and your family from Easter! You can post them on the St. Barbara Facebook page [#stbarbaramassillon](https://www.facebook.com/stbarbaramassillon). I hope to see all of your smiling faces!

Festival Update:

Unfortunately, given the current circumstances, we will not be able to have our festival at our previously scheduled time. In working with our amusement company, Bates Brothers, we have decided to try to reschedule it for late Summer or early Fall, if possible. If we are not able to reschedule, then we will hold the drawing for the raffle on Labor Day Weekend, We will keep you all updated as we get more information.

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Dear Friends,

Since face to face contact has been eliminated, many parishioners have been communicating with me by letter, email or telephone. This narrative below called QUARANTINE was sent to me anonymously. Perhaps it has been circulated on the internet. I read it a couple of times and liked it. Thought you might also. Let's all have "2020 vision" as we continue this unique journey which we are travelling in our COVID-19 world.

QUARANTINE

"The Latin root of the word "quarantine" is "forty".

So what does the Bible say about 40?

- The flood lasted 40 days.
- 40 years Moses fled Egypt.
- 40 days Moses stayed on Mount Sinai to receive the Commandments. Exodus lasted 40 years.
- Jesus fasted for 40 days.

Lent is 40 days. 40 days for a woman to rest after giving birth. A group of theologians thinks the number 40 represents "change". It is the time of preparing a person, or people, to make a fundamental change. Something will happen after these 40 days. Just believe and pray. Remember, whenever the number 40 appears in the Bible, there is a "change".

Please know that during this "quarantine" rivers are cleaning up, vegetation is growing, and the air is becoming cleaner because of less pollution, there is less theft and murder, healing is happening, and most importantly, people are turning to Christ. The Earth is at rest for the first time in many years and hearts are truly transforming.

So, during this time, enjoy it with your loved ones and return to the family altar together. Family prayer is a great blessing. Through prayer you will see the changes God can work in you and in your home. Christ promises us that everything works together for the good for those who love God: Romans 8:28!

Remember we are in the year 2020, and $20 + 20 = 40$. Also, 2020 is the year of the United States Census. Jesus Christ, the savior of the world, was born during a census.

Lastly, 2020 is perfect vision. May our sight focus on the Lord and living according to His perfect vision for us knowing He holds us in the palm of His hand. May these days of "quarantine" bring spiritual liberation to our souls, our nation, and our world. The best is yet to come. Trust in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!"

Have a good week everyone and God bless you!
Fr. Brian

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On May 1 Archbishop Jose H. Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, will join the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in consecrating the two nations to the care of the Blessed Mother under the title “Mary, Mother of the Church.”

“This will give the church the occasion to pray for Our Lady’s continued protection of the vulnerable, healing of the unwell and wisdom for those who work to cure this terrible virus,” said Archbishop Gomez in a letter to the U.S. bishops. Each year, the church seeks the special intercession of the Mother of God during the month of May.

In light of this I have included a prayer to Mary for the month of May in this weekend’s bulletin. During the week of May 11, I would like to stop by and bless your homes. I will give the blessing from the front yard and will leave a votive candle for Our Lady of Perpetual Help on your porch to show that I have been by. It’s like a drive by blessing!! Please use this candle and the prayer in the bulletin this month to Consecrate our Country and homes to the Blessed Mother under the title “Mary, Mother of the Church”

If you would like to be on the list, please either email frcline@saintbarbaraparish.com or call the parish 330-833-6898 with your name and address by Friday May 8. (See Next Page)



The Office of the Annual Bishop’s Appeal will remain open. Due to current events, and ever—changing state guidelines, our staff schedules and routine procedures will be affected. Thank you for your patience. We know these are difficult and trying times for all of us. Please be assured of our prayers for you and your loved ones. Our Diocesan ministries continue to serve all of those in need. While we pray for an end to this crisis, we know that the needs in our communities will continue; every prayer and every dollar will help us minister to our brothers and sisters in need today and through next year. Mail processing, check processing, and acknowledgement letters processing will be delayed due to altered work schedules. If you have a question or concern about a check that you have mailed to our offices, please first send an email message to appeal@youngstowndiocese.org. If email is not possible, please call and leave a message at our office (330-744-8451) and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Please know that we are doing everything possible to ensure safe and accurate processing of the gifts you have entrusted to us during this difficult and unprecedented time. We thank you for your support and patience, and we promise to keep you informed if our circumstances change.

As of April 28, 2020 our parish has pledged \$31,035.00. This is 24% of participation which is 202 out of 832 households. While the financial need is \$4 million, our parish goal of 100% participation is a goal we are working hard to attain. There are many ways in which you can participate. Please PRAY for the success of the Annual Bishop’s Appeal. Your prayers are meaningful and critical to our success as a Church family. DONATE to the Appeal. Please submit a response card even if you are unable to make a gift of any dollar amount. Response cards are still in the church at the ends of the pews. Consider stopping in to pray and filling one out. Your response will count towards our parish participation goal. VOLUNTEER your time and talents to any of the ministries of the Church. Thank you in advance for your reflection and generous response.

Consecration of America



Prayer for May, 2020

**Immaculate Mary,
most Holy Mother of God and of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
we the people of the United States of America
at this historic moment stand before you
in a humbled condition of love, loyalty, affection, and thankfulness.**

**To your Immaculate Heart
we recommit and dedicate ourselves
throughout the entire American nation.
To your Son Jesus Christ
we pledge to serve His teaching, His church,
and to work for His kingdom on earth.**


**O Mary, to you do we flee for protection.
Surround the American family with your maternal care;
enfold us in your arms.
Give to this American land,
built on the blood and tears of so many faithful forebears,
a peaceful and praiseworthy existence in truth, love, justice, and freedom.**

**Mother of God,
accept our personal consecration to you and, through you,
bind us forever to the Holy Trinity.
Gather us all into your Immaculate Heart
and unite us forever with Jesus
O Mary, we love you.
Amen.**

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