The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2019

St. Barbara’s Catholic Church
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Parish Staff
Pastor – Fr. Phil Wagner
Deacon – Deacon Steven Penwell
Parish Administrator – Leslie Cannon
Faith Formation Directors – Tom & Janet Spiering 754-2884

Dead Theologians Society – Jerry & Sharon Altermatt 202-0131
Newman Center Ministry – Eliza Higgins & Katy Spiering nwcnewmancenter@gmail.com
Organists: Sandy Cordes, Elizabeth Spiering, Eleanor Harder
Choir – Elizabeth Spiering 754-3479
Prayer Line – Virginia Damori 754-2777 & stbarb@tctwest.net
Knights of Columbus – Grand Knight Peter Spiering 272-7336
Janitor – Michelle Estes
Trustees – Wes Metzler 754-4101
Kathleen Hernandez 754-4712
Parish Council President – Vickie Prante: stbarbpcreps@gmail.com
Parish Council Members-
Kasha Wood Ann Bourquin
Vickie Hetzel Vickie Prante
Earl Robinson Roseanne Spiering
Antony Fink
Finance Council President – Sharon Bailey 754-4543

Maintenance Coordinator- Paul Vibe 272-4529

Sacramental Preparation
Baptism
Please call Fr. Phil 754-2480
Marriage
Planning & Preparation 6 months in Advance
Sacrament of the Sick
Call the Parish Office 754-2480

Natural Family Planning
Trish Moulten, NFP(Couple to Couple League) 254-1032
(Scholarships Available: Contact Parish Office)
Beth Gilb, FCP(Creighton Model Fertility Care) 271-2685
Mother’s Rosary
Fridays, 10 a.m. in the Church

Mass Schedule
Saturday 5:45 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Sunday (Latin Mass- call 754-2753 for info) 12:00 noon Sunday 5:00 p.m.

Daily Mass
Tue 12:00 noon
Wed 5:30 p.m.
Thu, Fri 7:30 a.m.
First Saturday: 8:00 a.m.-Adoration & Confessions 9:00 a.m.-Mass
Second Saturday: 8:00 a.m.-Mass In the Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration:
Every Thursday 8a.m.-8p.m. in the Chapel
Every Friday 8a.m.-9a.m. in the Church
First Wednesdays of the Month 6p.m.-7:30p.m. in the Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday at 9:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.
After Daily Mass on T, W, Th, & Fri
By Appointment – 754-2480

Religious Education
Times and Dates:
Grades 1-12: Dec. 25, 2019 No Classes
DTS/High School: Dec 25, 2019, No Class

Meetings
Parish Council: January 7, 2020, 6:30 p.m.
Finance Council: To Be Determined, 4:00 p.m.
Knights of Columbus: January 23, 2020, 7:00 p.m.
Women’s Group: 1st Thursday of the Month, 9:30 a.m.
Staff Meeting: To Be Determined, 6:30 p.m. Newman Center

The Deadline for items to be in the Bulletin is Wednesday by 2pm
Mission Statement:
The faith community of St. Barbara’s parish, in imitation of Our Lady, strives to do the will of God in unity with the Magisterium and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church by nourishing the faithful through the sacraments and fostering growth in the knowledge, love, and service of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Total Expense Budget for July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020: $337,070
Amount of donations needed per week to meet our expected expenses for the year: $6,482.11
Donations from last weekend’s collections: $4,747.26 ($1,734.85 below the weekly goal)

Liturgical Ministers:

Saturday, 12/28/19, 5:45 p.m.
EM: Pat, Earl, Sharon H, Connie, Frank G
Lector: Jeff
Servers: Jasmine, Hunter, Logan

Please remember to pray for:
Maggie McKee, Joey Toland, & Lavonne King.

Please visit our Nursing Home Residents: Jane Kocon, Nick Paul, Tavo Alaniz, Blas Ibarra, Alice Bright.

Living And Giving In Christ Diocesan Update: We are beginning the new appeal year, and the goal for 2019-20 is $55,306. Currently we have pledged $50,899, leaving a shortfall of $4,407. Please give as generously as you can in sharing your blessings from God.

Christmas Mass Schedule:
Tuesday, Dec. 24th - 5 p.m. & 9 p.m. (No Midnight Mass)
Wednesday, Dec. 25th - 9:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon (Latin Mass)

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Mass Schedule:
Tuesday, Dec. 31st – 5 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 1st – 9 a.m. & 12:00 Noon (Latin Mass)

St. Barbara’s Parish Council has had a “Suggestion Box” installed by the front doors of the Church (under the statue of St. Barbara) for you to communicate your ideas, concerns, etc with us. Your suggestions will be taken to the Council for discussion. Answers will be communicated back thru the bulletin. We want to hear from you! Thank you to Bruce Bourquin for his excellent craftsmanship on the box!

Activities for the week of Dec 22–Dec 29
12-22 Mass-9:00 a.m., Latin Mass-12:00 noon, Mass-5:00 p.m., No NWC Student Dinner-6:00 p.m.
12-24 Parish Office Closed, No Mass-12:00 noon, Mass-5:00 p.m., Mass-9:00 p.m.
12-25 Mass-9:00 a.m., Parish Office Closed, Latin Mass-12:00 noon, No Mass-5:30 p.m., No DTS-6:00 p.m., No Faith Formation-6:30 p.m.
12-26 Mass-7:30 a.m., Parish Office Closed, Adoration 8a.m.-8 p.m.
12-27 Mass-7:30 a.m., Parish Office Closed, Mother’s Rosary - 10:00 a.m.
12-28 Bereavement Mass- 8:00 a.m., Confessions-9 a.m. & 4 p.m., Mass-5:45 p.m.
12-29 Mass-9:00 a.m., Latin Mass-12:00 noon, Mass-5:00 p.m., No NWC Student Dinner-6:00 p.m.

We Need Help! There is a signup sheet in the back of the church for any Liturgical Ministers who would like to volunteer to assist at the Christmas/Holy Day Masses.

During the month of November 88 families/320 people were served. While the number of families is staying about the same the number of people has escalated. The average size of each family is 6, which leaves us questioning why? We are thankful for the gifts of food and monetary donations at this Christmas Time. Please know they are appreciated and needed! The Powell Valley Loaves and Fishes Board sends you wishes for every joy this Holy Season. Cindy Balderas, BeeGee Coughenour, Jim Wysocki, Linda Fischer, Julie Fulton, Vickie Blevins, Sharon Bailey, and Peggy Snyder.
The Knights of Columbus are handing out complimentary books for Advent. Please take one for your family to use in your Advent preparations.

Women’s Group Activities

♦ Women’s Bible Study is on Tuesday mornings, at 9:45 at the Newman Center. Women’s Book Study: “Catholicism-Pivotal Players” by Bishop Barron is a series of videos on individual saints. Newcomers are welcome.

Please Note: There will be incense at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Christmas morning.

College Students: If we’ve not yet met you, we’d love to! We are a growing, fun-loving, truth-seeking, student-based community. If you’re looking for someone to go to Mass with, talk about the faith with, or just enjoy a meal or cup of coffee with, join us on Sundays or give Katy or Eliza a call/text. We’d love to hear from you! Sunday night dinners start at 6pm, followed by a bible study.

Katy: 307-254-4292
Eliza: 307-271-2363
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facebook@NWCNewmanCenter

Please help St. Joseph’s mission with donations of new and gently used mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves for men, women, & children. The tree will be available in the back of the church through Sunday, Dec. 22nd. Please no other clothing items. Thanks for your generosity.

Priests for Life have requested that the following very comprehensive resource be included in church bulletins - Heartbeat's OptionLine.org, or its 24-hour emergency helpline 800-712-HELP (4357) where callers are connected to the help available close to where they live. Confidential guidance is offered in English and in Spanish, and many of these centers also have healing programs for those hurting from abortion.

Celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood of Pope Francis

December 13, 2019: Father of mercy, we come before you with gratitude for the fifty years of priesthood of Pope Francis, whom you have made Peter’s successor. Support him with the Spirit’s gifts, so that he can continue to preach the Gospel with priestly zeal and lead the Church with wisdom and strength and courage. May his example of long and faithful service be an inspiration to your priests and to all your faithful. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Weekly Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

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Denotes Deceased (s.i.) special intention

Candles in the Adoration Chapel the week of Dec 24 thru Dec 30 are offered for:

Kalt & Stringari Families
John Nigg III  John Nigg Jr.
Mathilda Nigg  Wayne Koch Jr
L.J. Marak

Readings for Dec 22 thru Dec 29:

12/22 Is7:10-14 Ps24:1-6 Rom1:1-7 Mt1:18-24
12/23 Mal3:1-4,23-24 Ps25:4bc-5ab,8-10,14 Lk1:57-66
12/24 Is62:1-5 Ps89:4-5,16-17,27,29 Acts13:16-17,22-25 Mt1:1-25
12/26 Acts6:8-10;7:54-59 Ps31:3cd-4,6,8ab,16bc-17 Mt10:17-22
12/27 Jn1:1-4 Ps97:1-2,5-6,11-12 Jn20:1a,2-8
12/28 Jn1:5-2:2 Ps124:2-5,7c-8 Mt2:13-18

We need volunteers to help decorate the trees for Christmas. We will decorate at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 22nd. Thank you!