

Saint Barbara Catholic Church



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field,
which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and
sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

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Masses for the Week



July 29 – August 04, 2023

Saturday

8:15 AM	Alfred Joseph Melendez †	RIP
4:00 PM	Joseph Tran Huy Hoang †	RIP
5:30 PM	Phaolo & Maria †	RIP
7:00 PM	Gioan Baotixita Dinh Viet Thanh †	RIP
8:30 PM	All Souls †	RIP

Sunday

6:30 AM	Giuse Tran Xuan Thong †	RIP
8:00 AM	Maria Le Thi Hao †	RIP
9:30 AM	Maria Nguyen Thi Huyen †	RIP
11:00 AM	Anna Cao Thi Quy †	RIP
12:45 PM	Guadalupe Coba †	RIP
4:00 PM	Cuong Barney Trac †	RIP
5:30 PM	For Parishioners	LI
7:00 PM	Teresa Hidalgo Contreras †	RIP

Monday

8:15 AM	Rene Vo †	RIP
5:30 PM	Teresa Pham Thi Vy †	RIP

Tuesday

8:15 AM	Gioan Baotixita & Anna †	RIP
5:30 PM	Dominico Jassey Nguyen †	RIP
7:00 PM	Fernando Paz	SI

Wednesday

6:30 AM	Giuse Bui Van Son †	RIP
8:15 AM	Sick & Dying	SI
5:30 PM	Anna Tran Kim Thuy †	RIP

Thursday

6:30 AM	Giuse Chu Van Tuat †	RIP
8:15 AM	Maria Vien Tran	SI
5:30 PM	Giuse Tran Dinh Le †	RIP

Friday

8:15 AM	Maria & Batolomeo †	RIP
5:30 PM	Các Tu Sĩ Nam Nữ	LI
7:00 PM	Irma Vazquez Avila †	RIP



TODAY'S READING

.**First Reading:** "Because you have asked for this—not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right—I do as you requested." (1 Kgs 3:11-12)

.**Psalm:** Lord, I love your commands. (Ps 119)

.**Second Reading:** For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. (Rom 8:29)

.**Gospel:** "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Mt 13:44)

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

.**Sunday:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

.**Monday:** St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

.**Tuesday:** St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

.**Wednesday:** St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;

St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

.**Friday:** St. John Vianney, Priest

.**Saturday:** The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major



LECTURAS DE HOY

.**Primera Lectura:** El joven rey Salomón pidió al Señor en oración un corazón sabio y perceptivo, y se lo concedió. ¿Qué regalo le pedirías al Señor?

.**Segunda Lectura:** Pablo enseña a los creyentes en Roma que Dios nos llama "según su propósito." ¿Tienes un sentido de tu propósito en la vida? Si es así, ¿qué es?

.**Evangelio:** Jesús ofrece varias paráboles del reino de los cielos a los discípulos: el tesoro escondido y las perlas finas (un descubrimiento invaluable) y la gran captura de peces (una invitación para todos). Con estas paráboles, ¿qué crees que nos está enseñando Jesús sobre el reino de los cielos?



LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

.**Domingo:** 17º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

.**Lunes:** San Ignacio de Loyola, presbítero

.**Martes:** San Alfonso María de Ligorio, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia

.**Miércoles:** San Eusebio de Vercelli, obispo;
San Pedro Julián Eymard, presbítero

.**Viernes:** San Juan María Vianney, presbítero

.**Sábado:** Dedicación de la Basílica de Santa María la Mayor

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our culture seems more polarized and divided than ever. Into this wounded situation, our Catholic faith has a healing remedy to offer: the gift of wisdom. When the Lord offers to give King Solomon anything the monarch desires, he requests “an understanding heart” (1 Kings 3:9). In his polarized situation, the King doesn’t ask for power to defeat his enemies. He asks for a wise and understanding heart to judge right from wrong. This wisdom is elevated and fulfilled in Jesus who teaches us to bring forth “both the new and the old” (Matthew 13:52).

In our fractured society, we Christians should stop pining for political power to crush our perceived enemies. That often just makes things worse. Rather, it's much more useful to beg for the grace of true wisdom which transcends both sides of the aisle. This places us in a fresh position from which we can help our culture see what is true and good all across the ideological spectrum. Sometimes we'll look like liberals (e.g., in our love for the poor and marginalized) and other times like conservatives (e.g., in our sexual ethics and views on religious freedom). Because this wisdom is free from ideological narrowness, it will help to heal these painful fractures. Lord Jesus, this week, pour into us your healing wisdom. Lpi



The Falling Action and the Field

In my freshman year of high school, I was fairly miserable at identifying the five essential elements of plot (exposition, rising action, climax, falling action, and resolution).

To this day, the only reason I remember anything about them at all is because my English teacher used episodes of Scooby Doo to illustrate the different elements. Falling action vs. climax is where I got tripped up, the two are similar, and only discernible if you examine them relative to each other.

Every Scooby Doo episode has a big dramatic sequence (the climax) where the ghost/monster/zombie chases The Gang through the haunted mansion. The falling action is what comes immediately after: searching for her glasses that she lost during the chase, Velma bumps into a pulley wheel disguised behind a tapestry and realizes the ghost/monster/zombie is actually the janitor in a costume, hooked up to an elaborate cable system jerry-rigged throughout the mansion. Meddling kids. I confused the two because, to me, they are *both* equally dramatic: the chase and the fallout. It occurs to me that, if you look at the course of salvation history, we are living in the falling action, not the climax. Take the parable of the treasure in the field: we have found the treasure. But we haven't yet bought the field. I often make the mistake of thinking I am still lost in the climax, searching for the truth. But I know exactly where the truth is.

What I need to be concerned with is this: am I doing what I need to do to buy the field?

“Wonderful are your decrees; therefore I observe them. The revelation of your words sheds light, giving understanding to the simple.” — Psalm 119. Lpi

Linh Hoa Thi Benson, Maria Goretti Kim, Maria Pham Le Quynh Nga, Maria Vien Tran, Robert Pond, Maria Charlene Nguyen, Jade Martinez



Lord Jesus Christ,
Redeemer of the world,
you have shouldered the burden of our weakness and borne our sufferings in your own passion and death
Hear this prayer for our sick brothers and sister whom you have redeemed Strengthen their hope of salvation and sustain them in body and soul, for you live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen

Ann Austin, Joseph Tran Huy Hoang, Alfred Joseph Melendez, Phero Tran Van Thoa, Roco Nguyen Trong Phan, Mercedes De La Cruz, Allan Lam Gia Hoang, Connie Atencio, Joseph Nguyen, Matti Nguyen, Giuse Do Cao The, Maria Nguyen Thi Nu, Maria Dang Kim Yen, Maria Nguyen Thi My, Marie Claire Ha Thuy Nguyen, Maria Lai Thi Nguyen, Cindy Estephanie Esquivel



God, our shelter and our strength, you listen in love to the cry of your people: hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen

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inner struggles.”

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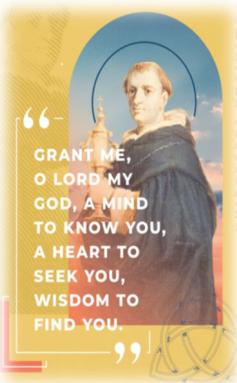


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los Ángeles del que sacarás
la fuerza para combatir las
luchas interiores.”

- BL. PIER GIORGIO

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Dear Lord,
“A fine pearl.”
Is that
how you see us?
Help us to under-
stand the value you
place on us.

May the depth of
your love for us
reach into the
deepest parts of our-
selves and heal our
wounds.
Amen.

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Suy niệm: Trong đám tang những người ngoài Ki-tô giáo thường thấy có những bức liễn đề chữ "Vãng Sanh Cực Lạc", ý nói cái chết là đi qua khỏi cuộc sống này về chốn hoàn toàn vui sướng hạnh phúc đời sau. Thế nhưng niềm tin ấy, đúng hơn, niềm ước mong đó, căn bản là mơ hồ, không xác định cõi cực lạc ấy như thế nào. Thế nên người ta vẫn sợ hãi cái chết và cố sức níu kéo để ở lại cõi trần này. Chúa Giê-su cho biết Nước Trời, chốn hạnh phúc mà con người hằng mơ ước đó, là điều có thật nhưng còn ẩn giấu, như viên ngọc quý, như "*kho báu chôn giấu trong ruộng*". Nước Trời là có thật rất quý giá, nhưng phải nỗ lực tìm kiếm mới gặp được, hơn nữa, phải sẵn sàng hy sinh, đánh đổi mọi sự mình có mới có thể đạt tới được.

Mời Ban: Nước Trời quý giá nhưng như viên ngọc quý ẩn khuất trong viên đá sù sì xấu xí, hay như kho tàng vô giá được chôn giấu trong đám ruộng tầm thường. Nước Trời đó thực ra không ở đâu xa, ngay trong gia đình với vợ chồng, con cái, nơi bạn làm việc học hành hàng ngày. Đó chính là kho báu bạn phải nỗ lực tìm kiếm và trân trọng giữ gìn.

Sống Lời Chúa: "Bán đi tất cả để mua viên ngọc Nước Trời" đó là bạn từ bỏ những ham muốn ích kỷ, lợi ích cá nhân, những ý riêng của bạn để hết lòng phục vụ anh chị em mình.

Cầu nguyện: *Lạy Chúa Giê-su, Chúa đến để nói cho chúng con biết về Nước Trời, Nước Trời là có thật, có sự thương phạt đời sau. Xin giúp con nỗ lực sống thánh thiện để được thuộc về Nước Trời. Amen.* Thanhlinh.net

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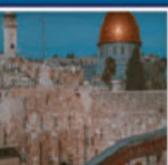
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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM Vietnamese
5:30 PM English
7:00 PM Vietnamese

Sunday

6:30 AM Vietnamese
8:00 AM Vietnamese
9:30 AM English
11:00 AM Vietnamese
12:45 PM Spanish
4:00 PM Vietnamese
5:30 PM English
7:00 PM Spanish

** Daily Mass Schedule **

Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri

8:15 AM English
5:30 PM Vietnamese

Wed, Thu

6:30 AM Vietnamese

Tues, Fri

7:00 PM Spanish

Saturday

8:15 AM English

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4:00 PM—Fr Joseph Nguyen
5:30 PM—Fr Tuan Pham
7:00 PM—Fr Tuan Pham

Sunday August 06, 2023

6:30 AM—Fr Danh Trinh
8:00 AM—Fr Danh Trinh
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4:00 PM—Fr Joseph Nguyen
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