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The Encourager

The Mission of St. Barnabas Church is to live and spread the Gospel of Christ as disciples making disciples.

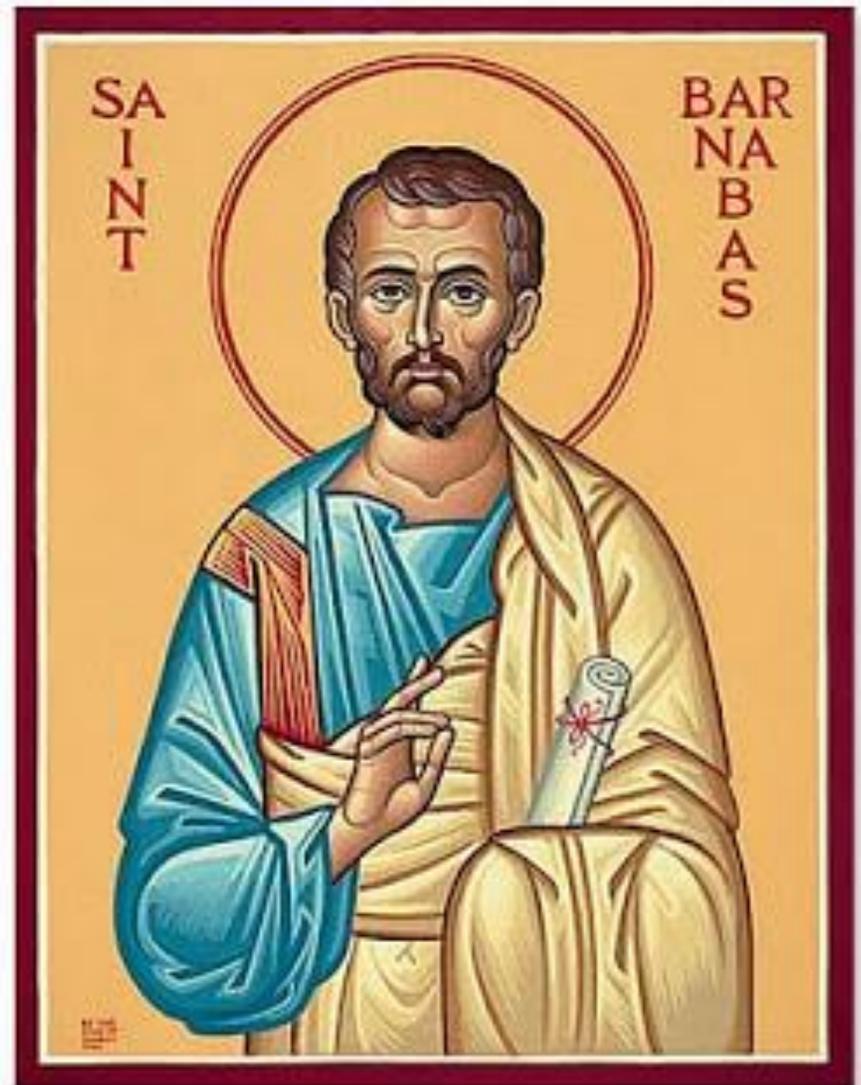
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November 2017



Some FatherLee thoughts . . .

“Give thanks to the Lord . . . for God’s love endures forever.”

November is probably my favorite month. It begins with All Saints Day, where we lovingly remember those who have died and trust them to the everlasting care of God. The highlight of November is Thanksgiving, of course, then Advent starts, and we turn in expectation of the love that God reveals to us in the birth of Jesus. November reminds us that heaven and earth are not as separate as we might think. It is God’s eternal hands that hold those who have died, those same hands hold us while we live, and our Lord is constantly at work in this world to bring hope and demonstrate love. In the midst of all of this wonder, we are invited to give thanks.

To many Americans, Thanksgiving is no more than an excuse to eat way too much, watch some football, and begin Christmas shopping. However, as Christians, giving thanks is not a break from the normal, it is the way we are to live each and every moment. In fact, the word that describes our primary worship, “Eucharist,” literally means, “to give thanks.” The main thing that Christians do is gather together and give thanks to God. We are grateful for this life, for our family, for this nation, for our health, and most of all, for the love made known to us in Jesus. It is this love that holds us now, while we finish our course on earth, this love promises us eternal life, this love holds our loved ones who have died, and it is this love that continues to work in this world to demonstrate love and offer hope.

My prayer for you this November is that this immeasurable love will become more real to you, giving you faith to see that it is God who holds your loved ones who have died, God who holds you, and God who is at work to make this world better. The appropriate response in the midst of this love, is to give thanks.

Faithfully,
Fr. Scott Lee

Monthly Youth Sunday on November 5th



Kids, our monthly Youth Sunday will take place on November 5th. Kids will be greeters, take the offering, bring the gifts to the altar and have a special talk with Fr. Scott. We hope all the children will be in church on this Sunday!

Healing Prayers on November 5th



We give you the opportunity on the first Sunday of the month for healing prayers and laying on of hands and anointing. At the end of each service simply move to the front pews of the church. After Fr. Scott greets those leaving church he will join you at the altar rail for prayers and anointing.

All Saints Sunday



Please be sure to join us on Sunday, November 5th to celebrate All Saints’ Day. This is the day that we remember our loved ones that have died, and hold on to the hope of resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Fall Back on November 4th



We return to Eastern Standard Time at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 4th. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday night.

Vestry 2018



Are you called to lead the church? There are many positions on the Vestry that will need to be filled in January. Please pray for the process of electing leaders in our church.

Parish Office Closed



On Friday, November 3rd Fr. Scott will be at the Diocesan Convention & Robin will be on vacation so the office will be closed. The parish office will also be closed on Friday, November 10th, in celebration of Veterans Day and on Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th in celebration of Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving Baskets



Thanksgiving is quickly falling upon us. A time for families to gather and enjoy a day of sharing food and remembering the important things they are thankful for. Some families are not so fortunate, for whatever the reason may be. St. Barnabas has adopted families in the past 6 years and parishioners have been very generous with their donations. This year should be no different, we will be filling 6+ baskets this year, and I know we can do it. The families have been very grateful in the past and I know this year will be no different. We started collecting the food on Sunday October 22nd and will continue until November 19th. The baskets will be delivered on November 20th. Below is a list of how the food will be collected each week.

Canned goods – corn, green beans, carrots, cranberry sauce, gravy, soup, etc. (large cans).

November 5th & November 12th – Dry goods – stuffing mix, flour, pudding, jello, cookies etc.

November 19th – Perishables – turkeys, potatoes, fresh vegetables & desserts.

If you are donating a turkey, please let me know as soon as possible so I know how many I have.

Thank you in advance for all your help in making someone else's Thanksgiving a happy and memorable one. Any questions please contact Beth Marsh at 263-7380 or Robin in the parish office at 737-4141 or by email @ parishadmin@stbarnabaswarwick.org

Thanksgiving Day Service



This year we will resurrect one of the past traditions of our church, we will have a short Thanksgiving Day service at 10:00 a.m. It will be a Eucharist with particular focus on giving thanks to God from whom all things come.

A Special Thank You Note



The reception on October 1st turned out to be a wonderful event. Thanks to all the people who donated all the extras and the help to set up and take down the hall.

Thanks to the gentlemen who manned the punch bowls and also the soothing music. The beautiful flowers that adorned the hall were spectacular!

A special thank you to everyone who signed up to bring food. We had planned for forty-one trays for the event and we ended up with sixty-three trays. WOW!

Thank you, thank you!

Your reception chairman,
Ron Bonenfant

Parish Clean-Up Day



The leaves are finally starting to fall from the trees so we want to schedule a "Parish Clean-Up Day" for Saturday, November 11th. Please be at church at 9:00 a.m. and bring rakes, leaf blowers and whatever tools you might want to use. We will supply the leaf bags. Hope to see you there!

Are you interested in becoming an acolyte?



An acolyte is a minister of the church whose job is to assist the celebrant and to enhance the worship service. This is an important and fun ministry that offers young people the opportunity to fulfill an important function in the liturgy while learning more about the history and tradition of the Episcopal Church. The acolyte ministry at St. Barnabas is open to all children and teens age 8 and older. Acolytes are typically scheduled to serve approximately once every 3-5 weeks, as well as on major liturgical feast days such as Christmas, Easter, etc. New acolytes will have the opportunity to work with Paul or myself, and periodic training sessions will be announced. If your child is considering becoming an acolyte, please see one of us after the 10 a.m. service or contact Paul Schofield at Paul.Andrew.Schofield@GMail.com or Emily Seddon at EHopeS88@GMail.com. We hope to see the number of acolytes serving at St. Barnabas grow!

Coffee Hour Assistance Requested



Would you help? We need volunteers to help with our coffee hour to make it a success! Not a baker, then there are other ways that you can help out. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church and downstairs at coffee hour. There's a lot you can do. We have created a list of all the things that volunteers can help with such as setting up coffee hour, cleanup, bring home baked treats or store bought and providing one of the favorites which is pizza. Questions on how you can help? Contact Christine Lindopp (946-6295) or Joan Newell (942-0771).

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
Saturday, November 18, 2017
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Have you ever wanted to contribute to our annual bazaar without the responsibility of operating your own table? Our Christmas Bazaar depends on the support of ALL of our parishioners in MANY ways! Here's how YOU can help!!

Set Up/Clean Up: We are always in need of helping hands during these busy times! Set-up is Friday night, and clean-up begins at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday. The more volunteers we have, the quicker the job gets done!

Penny Social: Keep this table in mind while you're out shopping for things like decorative items for the home, countertop appliances, electronics, dolls, children's toys, sports equipment, candles, etc. Also, if you are crafty and would like to create a small theme basket, feel free! New, unused items are a welcomed donation for this table!

Baked Goods: Now is the time to start thinking about your favorite sweet treats! We offer cakes, pies, cookies, fudge and even dog treats! All baked goods may be dropped off either on Friday night during set-up or first thing Saturday morning.

Crafts: Are you creative? Do you enjoy making crafts? The Craft Table accepts all hand-made craft items.

Gifts-to-go & Christian Items: These small gifts are packaged with love, and ready to go. We also offer Christian Items such as books, cards, crosses, medals, pendants and more. Donations are welcome!

White Elephant: A new season is here which means it's time to clean out those old but still good items! As they say, "one man's junk, is another man's treasure." All items should be dropped off prior to the date of the bazaar.

No clothing, please.

Luncheon Café: If you are known for a particular recipe that you think may be a great hit, kindly see Joan Newell, Christine Lindopp, or Emily Seddon. Can't cook? That's okay! We can still use your help in the kitchen!

Please label all items for which table you are donating.

Please contact Emily Seddon with any questions, comments, or suggestions! EHopeS88@GMail.com or 401.499.9994

Thank you!!

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Please speak with Jim Turner with any questions

Note: Deadline for receipt is November 12th

Thank You!

Sing (and Ring) Choirs of Angels!



Do you like to sing? You are invited to join the choir for Christmas, sing favorite hymns and carols, play hand bells, and learn about St. Barnabas' important music ministry in which YOU can participate! All ages! All voice parts needed. Rehearsal times to be announced. You will find a sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

Stewardship 2018



By now you should have received your Stewardship letter dated October 23rd asking you to consider "Living Generously." We hope this letter and the inserts you receive in your Sunday bulletins will encourage you to make a pledge. November 12th will be the official day to offer those pledges during Sunday worship. Bring it in person, or mail it to the church office, and we will offer our pledges to God.

Youth Group



Youth group is up and running! All middle school and high school students are invited every week for food, fun and conversations about faith. We will meet in Schweitzer Hall beginning at 5:30 p.m. and ending between 7:30 p.m./8:00 p.m. depending on the topic of conversation. Contact Fr. Scott if you have any questions or if you would like to provide a meal for the budding Youth program.

Looking Forward, Together



All Saints' Candles – A way to honor your family or a very special someone, still in your life or passed on. October 28th and November 5th, candles and labels will be available as you come into church. They will be gathered to be blessed on November 5th as we celebrate All Saints' Day.

Thankful Tree – Soon you'll see a beautiful tree growing in Schweitzer Hall. With it, will be a basket of paper leaves that you will be able to write a grateful message on. Pin your leaf to the tree where everyone can reflect on our blessings too numerous to count.

Advent Wreath – Extra hands needed! On December 3rd, we will construct an Advent Wreath "by hand". Paper will be provided for tracing your hand, which you will then cut out. The cut out hands will be assembled into a beautiful wreath, reflecting all ages of our congregation.

Open House – Sunday School will have an Open House in a few weeks to showcase what we've been learning and our newly renovated classrooms. Details coming!

FOOD DONATIONS



During these hard economic times, hunger is on the rise. Thanks to your ongoing support, the Community Food Bank has made a difference in the lives of many Warwick residents! Donations of non-perishable foods are gratefully accepted at St. Barnabas Church on Sunday mornings. You may hand your donation to one of our ushers or place it in the Food Basket at the back of the church. All of the food collected is then brought to the West Bay Community Food Bank in Buttonwoods. Many thanks to Dave Hartley who delivers these food items to the Food Bank on our behalf!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Bible Study	2 10: 00 a.m. Mornings with Mary 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	3 Diocesan Convention today and Saturday Parish office closed	4 
5 All Saints' Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. rite I 10:00 a.m. Rite II Youth Sunday Healing Prayers 5:30 p.m. Youth Group	6 7:30 pm AA Meeting	7 10: 00 a.m. Mornings with Mary 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	8 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Bible Study	9 10: 00 a.m. Mornings with Mary 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	10 Parish Office closed.	11 Veteran's Day Parish Clean-Up 9:00 a.m.
12 Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. - Rite I 10:00 a.m. - Rite II 5:30 p.m. Youth Group	13 6:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting 7:30 pm AA Meeting	14 10: 00 a.m. Mornings with Mary 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	15 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Bible Study	16 10: 00 a.m. Mornings with Mary 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	17 Bazaar Set-up	18 Christmas Bazaar 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
19 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. Rite I 10:00 a.m. Rite II 5:30 p.m. Youth Group	20 7:30 pm AA Meeting	21 10: 00 a.m. Mornings with Mary 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	22 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Bible Study	23 Thanksgiving Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Parish office closed	24 Parish office closed	25
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November Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, November 5th

All Saints' Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, November 12th

The Twenty-third Sunday after

Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, November 19th

The Twenty-fourth Sunday after

Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Thursday, November 23rd

Thanksgiving

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Sunday, November 26th

The Last Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II