Every couple of months before or after Mass, someone mentions that they read or heard about a movement to remove Francis from his role as Pope. Whether Church leaders or people in the pews, there are folks who consider him irresponsibly progressive. Others among us, of course, see him as inspirational and faithfully grounded. While some wish that he would take us much further, much faster, thrusting our tradition bound church into the current and future world. Popes are always open to constant evaluation and criticism: too traditional, too liberal, too conservative, too removed, too political, too old. We are a very diverse church. We will and should never agree on one leader or style of leadership. Hopefully during one’s lifetime there will be at least a couple Popes with whom we resonate. Most of us and those we know are actually little affected by the Pope or goings-on in Rome. The experience of Church is mostly local. Who will be positively affected by the way you and I live out our faiths? We can provide positive experiences of the face of the Church.

Blessings,

Pastor’s Corner

New Parishioner Meet and Greet - Sunday, June 9
In expanding our mission of being a welcoming parish, there will be a casual Meet and Greet after the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, June 9 for all new parishioners who have joined the parish in the last year and visitors. Please stop by the narthex, and weather permitting, the outside entrance area to introduce yourself and welcome our new members and visitors. Light refreshments will be available.

Welcome Committee

Sons of Italy Lunch and Raffle Fundraiser
Sunday, June 23, 2019
St. Barbara Church Parish Hall
Doors open at 11:00 am. Lunch at Noon, followed by a raffle. Menu: Spaghetti and Meatballs, salad, bread and dessert. Coffee, tea and water included. Soda and wine available for additional costs. Tickets can be purchased at the door with cash or check. Tickets can be purchased in advance by contacting Dawn Fabiano at 253-334-0860 Cost: Adults $20, Children under 10 - $10

Our 2019 Dream Sheets invited us to consider how to best progress in our charism as a welcoming parish. This is seen not only in hospitality to those new in our midst, but also providing a home for those who have been part of our faith community for many years. The majority of comments spoke to actions, events, or programs the parish could undertake to further our welcoming spirit. These included increased events, socials, and opportunities to spend time with one another in social settings. There were also several comments encouraging further opportunities to include our youth in the life of the parish. Some urged a return to some events which were successful in the past: parish hikes, involvement in Habitat for Humanity. Others pointed to an openness to future opportunities to serve our neighbors and those in need. Some of those responding committed themselves to concrete actions to further our St. Barbara welcome. These included introducing oneself to those who sit by them at Church, getting to know the names of other parishioners, and reaching out to those who are new. A couple people reminded us that at parish events we could sit with those who are new, or people other than those with whom we tend to always socialize.

Thank you to those willing and able to offer your insights and suggestions via the Dream Sheets. Your ideas will help the parish staff and pastoral council set goals and priorities for the coming year. Fr. Dave Rogerson
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The Parish Offices are located in the modular building next to the Main Church.

Next Sunday’s Readings
The Most Holy Trinity
1st Reading: Proverbs 8: 22-31
2nd Reading: Roman 5:1-5
Gospel: John 16: 12-15
“When he comes, the Spirit of Truth, he will guide you to all truth.”

St. Barbara Prayer Chain Ministry
Please pray for the Spiritual, Emotional, Physical, and Financial needs of our Brothers and Sisters in Christ, especially:
- Hal & Carol Shakerley, Joan Garner, Betty Dougherty, Kristen McTighe,
- Kiersten Emmett, Richard Hosmun, John Mergens, Michele Kostocky,
- Margarethe Halliday, Tim Carstens, Jon Brumbach, Sr.,
- Diane & Ralph Mitchell

All those listed in the St. Barbara prayer book.

Black Diamond Food Bank Special Needs:
Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce
Thank you for your generosity!
Please check expiration dates!
NO Rice, Beans, Cake Mixes or Frosting.

Black Diamond Community Meal Program
Wednesday Evenings
5:00 - 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall

Vacation Bible School Registration due June 17th!
Registration forms are available in the Narthex and on the parish website at www.stbarbarachurch.org. Please look over the Volunteer Opportunities on the back of the registration form, we still need a leader for the Games, Bible challenge, and Opening/Closing. On Monday, June 17th, we will begin decorating the downstairs classrooms at 10:00 am. If you would like to help decorate, please come. Many hands make light work. We will meet in Room K. Please call Sara Hotchkiss at 360-886-2229 or email re@stbarbarachurch.org if you have any questions.

Rainiers Baseball Game
Sponsored by the St. Barbara & St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus
Sunday, July 21st
1:35 pm
$14 per ticket (Includes water, hot dog & chips)
Reservations (including ticket payment) will be taken at June 22, 23, 29 & 30 masses
For more information contact Zbig at 206-818-7476
www.kofc11736.org

On Sale Now! The Cornerstone Catholic Conference is returning to Tacoma on October 18-19, 2019. Speakers this year include Bishop Frank J. Caggione; Sr. Norma Pimentel, MJ; and Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT. Register online at wacatholics.org/cornerstone. Tickets are $75 until June 30th. (Under 30 is $55). Partial and full scholarships available.

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Welcome to St. Barbara Church!

Saint Barbara is a welcoming parish that consciously provides spiritual growth for everyone, and advocates the relationship of Christ and family within the home and the community. We are glad that you came today.

If you would like to register to become a member of St. Barbara Church, please fill out the “New Parishioner Registration Form”, located in the narthex of the church and return them to the collection basket or to the Parish Office.

Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you St. Barbara parishioners who have returned an Annual Catholic Appeal Pledge card. Thank you for responding to the call of the Annual Catholic Appeal with your prayers and your pledges.

As of June 5, 2019

Goal: $70,709

Total pledged: $29,745 (42% of goal)

Number of pledges received: 139 (18% parish participation)

Dan and Cleo Cummins  Michael and Connie Baerny  Martin and Kelley Billington
Karen and Bill Bryant  Susan Campell  Barry and Renee Cooke
Duane Czaplinski  Bob and Janie Edelman  Timothy and Monica Franzen
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Jeff and Kathy McCloskey  Michael and Diane McCartney  Thomas and Cynthia Nicaise
Chris and Susan Peterson  Donald and Cathy Raunig  Mike and Ann Reischl

Fr. Dave Rogerson  Anthony and Karen Stevenson  Arthur and Cyma Tupas

Thank you to everyone who has continued to support the Called to Serve as Christ Campaign. To date, we have received over $14,000 from this campaign as our parish rebate. This money will be applied towards new energy efficient windows for the Parish Hall. Thank you for your continued generosity.

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