



St. Barnabas School Newsletter

November 10, 2011

Dear School Families,

Our kindergarten class will take a trip to Lake Katherine in Palos Heights, IL today. We know the chilly weather won't stop their good time!

The bike safety Safe Routes Ambassadors returned to us yesterday. The 2nd graders enjoyed these creative and informative lessons. They will return today, for our 5th grade demonstrations.

On Monday, November 14, 2011, we will have a special assembly sponsored by the Chicago Bears. The Bears mascot, Staley, will give all students tips on getting and staying healthy.

Our first ever Shadow Day is taking place on next Friday, November 18, 2011. An eventful morning is planned for all. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

Grades 1, 2, 3 & 4 will all attend 8:45 am Mass tomorrow, November 11, 2011.

Tomorrow also marks the end of the first trimester.

Our third graders and their parents will be gathering at the family mass here at St. Barnabas Church this Sunday, November 13, 2011 at 10:00 am.

Also, the days are numbered (5) for purchasing tickets to the Annual Progressive Mixer, which also takes place on November 18, 2011. Doors open at 6:00 pm in the gym. This is always a fun event not to be missed!

Please note that **there will be no After Care on Tuesday, November 22, 2011** due to our Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Enjoy your weekend!

Sincerely,

Lenore Barnes

Sunday Gospel Reflections

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A
November 13, 2011

Read Sunday's gospel, Matthew 24:36, 25:14-30.

Gospel Summary

In this story, a man went away on a journey. He must have been very wealthy, because he entrusted large portions of his money to three of his servants. The first two servants invested the money during the master's absence and it yielded great returns. The third servant, however, was fearful of investing (or some scholars say he was lazy). In either case, the servant buried the money he was given and returned the full amount to the master when he came home. The master was pleased with the investments of the first two servants, but was very upset with the third one. To those who have much, much more will be given. To those who have little, even that little will be taken away.

Reflection for Families

God has given each one of us talents. Sometimes out of laziness or lack of ambition, or sometimes because we are afraid of failure or ridicule, we do not share our talents. The gospel today challenges us to take a risk and invest our gifts for the greater good of God's people. We do this ourselves as adults, but we must also try to help our children recognize their talents and use them in a productive way.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Perhaps you keep a scrapbook for your children, or have a huge box of clippings, photos, projects, or programs that document their accomplishments. Go through these items together and affirm the gifts of each other. Talk about ways members of the family are using their gifts to build up the Kingdom of God. Brainstorm ideas of new ways you can use your gifts, or even look for gifts in each other not previously recognized.

Discussion Starters

1. If God came today and asked to see what I had done with my talents, I would be able to show him...
2. The servant in the story I am most like is... some other people I recognize in this gospel are...
3. The gift that God gave me that is hardest to risk is...

FAMILY IN FAITH MASS

Third Grade

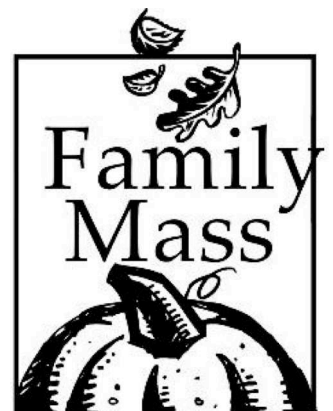
Parents and children are
invited to participate in the
St. Barnabas Family Mass

Sunday, November 13

10:00 AM

Third graders will be invited to
gather around the altar for
The Liturgy of the Eucharist.

- ✦ When you come to church, sit where you would like.
- ✦ Your third grader will be invited to come to the altar around the Eucharist prayer.



If you have any questions, please contact Sr. Julie 773/445-3450

Fourth and Fifth Graders

***are invited to participate
in the St. Barnabas Family Mass
Sunday, November 20
Feast of Christ the King***



10:00 AM

4th and 5th grade students

***in school and religious education are invited to be in
The Festive Procession for the Feast of Christ the King.***

(banners made in class will be part of the procession)

Please note children's choir will be singing in the choir that morning.

Grades 4 & 5 – I would like to participate in the Feast of Christ the King Procession.

Name _____

Room _____

† Children will gather in the **last three rows of Church at 9:45 on Sunday, Nov. 20th**

Please return form to Sr. Julie: on Sunday, Nov. 13 for Religious Education children

and Nov. 15 for School

(or an email can be sent as a "YES" response with the above information to stbarnabasreled@yahoo.com)



Experience the
St. Barnabas Difference
 at our Annual
**SHADOW
 DAY**



On **Friday, November 18th**, we invite parents and students 18 months and older to O'Connell Hall to see the **St. Barnabas Difference**. Come learn more about our innovative Bitty Buckeyes program for early childhood advancement. Hear about our well-respected curriculum in preschool through eighth grade and our differentiated classroom work through Project M.A.T.C.H. Get a complete overview of the school and experience time in the classroom.



Students accepted by reservation only. Space is limited to the first 10 students per grade level. To reserve a space for your child, contact our Business Manager, Lisa Sarcinella by Friday, November 11th at 773-445-7711.



8:15 am
 Continental breakfast

8:30 am
 Welcome and school overview

8:50 - 9:30 am
 Experience the classroom:
 Entering preschool through third grade

8:50 - 11:15 am
 Experience the classroom:
 Entering fourth through eighth grade



10121 S. Longwood Drive, Chicago
www.stbarnabasparish.org





**Join us on Monday, November 14th
When St. Barnabas receives a special visit from**



The Official Mascot of the

Chicago Bears

**First and Goal: How to Score a
Touchdown for a Healthy Life**

Pre-K- 4th Grade 9:00 a.m.

Grades 5-8 10:30 a.m.

in the Gym.

Special Gift Program

Please note earlier completion date!!

Once again the year, St Barnabas FSA is sponsoring the Special Gift Program for our faculty and staff. The Special Gift Program is a simple way of saying thank you to the faculty and staff for their heartfelt commitment to our youngsters and their clear demonstration of faith. We invite your generous participation in this program by sending a monetary gift as you are able. These gifts will be pooled and distributed to all teachers, Pre-K through eighth, specials teachers, resource teachers, administration, office and maintenance staff as cash gifts before the Christmas holidays. Your donation along with the proceeds from the Men's Club Mixer will enable us to demonstrate our appreciation for everything the St Barnabas staff does for our children throughout the year. We understand times are tough and are asking that you give whatever is right for your family. A card will be included listing all who contribute to the program, so please fill out attached form. If you have any questions, call Madeline McIntosh 312-914-6079 or De McNamara at 773-445 0355

Please return checks to the office in care of Madeline McIntosh, Special Gift program, payable to St Barnabas FSA by Friday, Dec. 9, 2011.

Thank you for your generosity

Attached is our contribution to the Special Gift Program, please list our name on the card as follows:

Name: _____ Phone #: _____
Children grade & class: _____



8th Grade Girls Basketball "A" team are winners! The girls finished first place in the regular season for the South Suburban A Division and won the championship in that league on Sunday night at Marist.

They also recently won the championship game in the McAuley grammar school tournament. Hopefully they will be in the gold ball game on Sunday at 5:30pm at McAuley **but they must win on Wednesday night and Saturday night first...**then, hopefully, they win the gold ball!! That is for the Southside Catholic Conference league for which they also came in first place for the regular season. Unfortunately, they did have one loss this year. We wish them luck in their quest for the gold ball.



The St. Barnabas Girls 5th grade Red Team won the Second Place Trophy in the SouthSurburban Basketball League at Frontier Park on Sunday, November 6, 2011. Players Fiona Flemming, Karina Joyce, Emma Kallianis, McKenna Kallianis, Ellie Murphy, Fiona Murphy, Maya O'Neill and Elyse Piechocki, coached by Mike O'Neill and John Piechocki, improved their skills and teamwork throughout the season. The team peaked in the playoffs and defeated several higher ranked teams to earn their Trophy in the Consolation Tournament. Also on November 6th, the team won their first playoff game in the Ridge Park League against St Cajetan and continue in those playoffs on November 13 at 11am at Ridge Park against #1 ranked CK. Go Buckeyes!!!!



By: Claire Mueller

Congratulations to the Eighth Grade girls "A" basketball team that took first place in the South Suburban League championship against St. Alexander. Way to go girls! And a great job to Buckeye the Buckeye for some fantastic cheering.

The fifth grade girls basketball team took second place in their championship over the weekend. Great job girls!

Congratulations to the 8th grade girls "B" basketball team for beating St. Christina 17-9 in their first playoff game. Way to go girls!

Upcoming Events

The eighth grade girls "A" basketball team will be starting their Southside Catholic "GoldBall" playoffs this Wednesday, November 10 at Christ the King. If they win, they will be playing Saturday in the semi-finals. If they win Saturday's game, "GoldBall" championship will be Sunday....Good Luck Girls!!!

The 5th Grade girls basketball team will be starting their Ridge Park playoffs this coming Sunday. Let's go Buckeyes! The 8th Grade Girls "B" Basketball team will be playing next Tuesday night for their second playoff game. Good luck Girls!

Student Council

Great American Opportunities is still open for magazine ordering and renewals with credit coming to St. Barnabas School. If your magazine subscription is up for renewal or you plan to subscribe for a new magazine for yourself or as a gift, please consider ordering through St. Barnabas School. Thank you.

We receive 40% of every subscription.

Go to:

www.gaschoolstore.com

Enter School Code:

234393

Insert student's name (optional) Click: go Shopping!

Upon checkout, you see how much \$\$ goes to St. Barnabas School



The St. Barnabas Athletic Board is looking for a coordinator for girls' basketball. If you are interested in this position or getting involved with the St. Barnabas Athletic Board please contact Jim Valek, valek5@comcast.net. If you have specific questions about the responsibilities and activities of the girls' basketball coordinator position please contact the current girl's basketball coordinator, Antonella Mueller, at anty1227@aol.com. The position will start with the fall 2012 season, but planning for the season begins in the spring.

St. Barnabas

Spirit-Wear Christmas sale



Please VIEW SAMPLES at
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES:



Tuesday, November 22

1 - 8pm

by the main office.

Items for sale:

- Knit hats, shorts
- Baseball caps
- Lounge pants
- Full zip Hoodies
- Dry Fit T-shirts
- Blankets and more...

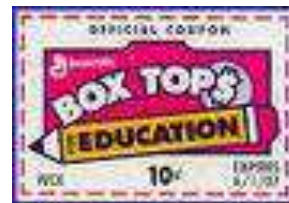


- ☆ Convenient online ordering http://wcsshirts.com/St_Barnabas/Home
- ☆ Order Deadline: **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2**
- ☆ All items delivered to school before Christmas break.
- ☆ Gifts can be picked up at the office. Just mark the web page when ordering.
- ☆ Sorry, no returns so please check out our samples for sizing.
- ☆ We can not guarantee delivery of items ordered after the deadline....

PLEASE ORDER EARLY!

Contact **Veronica Vogt** with any questions:
773/445-3418 or vervogn@sbcglobal.net

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



KEMPS MILK CAPS

What a tremendous response for our first contest of the year. I wanted to share the numbers with everyone and send a huge **THANK YOU** to all who clipped, cut and sent in their Box Tops for Education and Kemps Milk Caps. Congratulations again to Mrs. Shader and room 209 – I'm sure they enjoyed their Pizza Party!

Here are the totals:

Kemps Milk Caps 2,800 × \$ 0.05 = \$140.00

Box Tops 9,164 × \$0.10 = \$916.40

With our pizza party challenge completed, St Barnabas will receive a check for \$1,056.40! Way to go everyone!

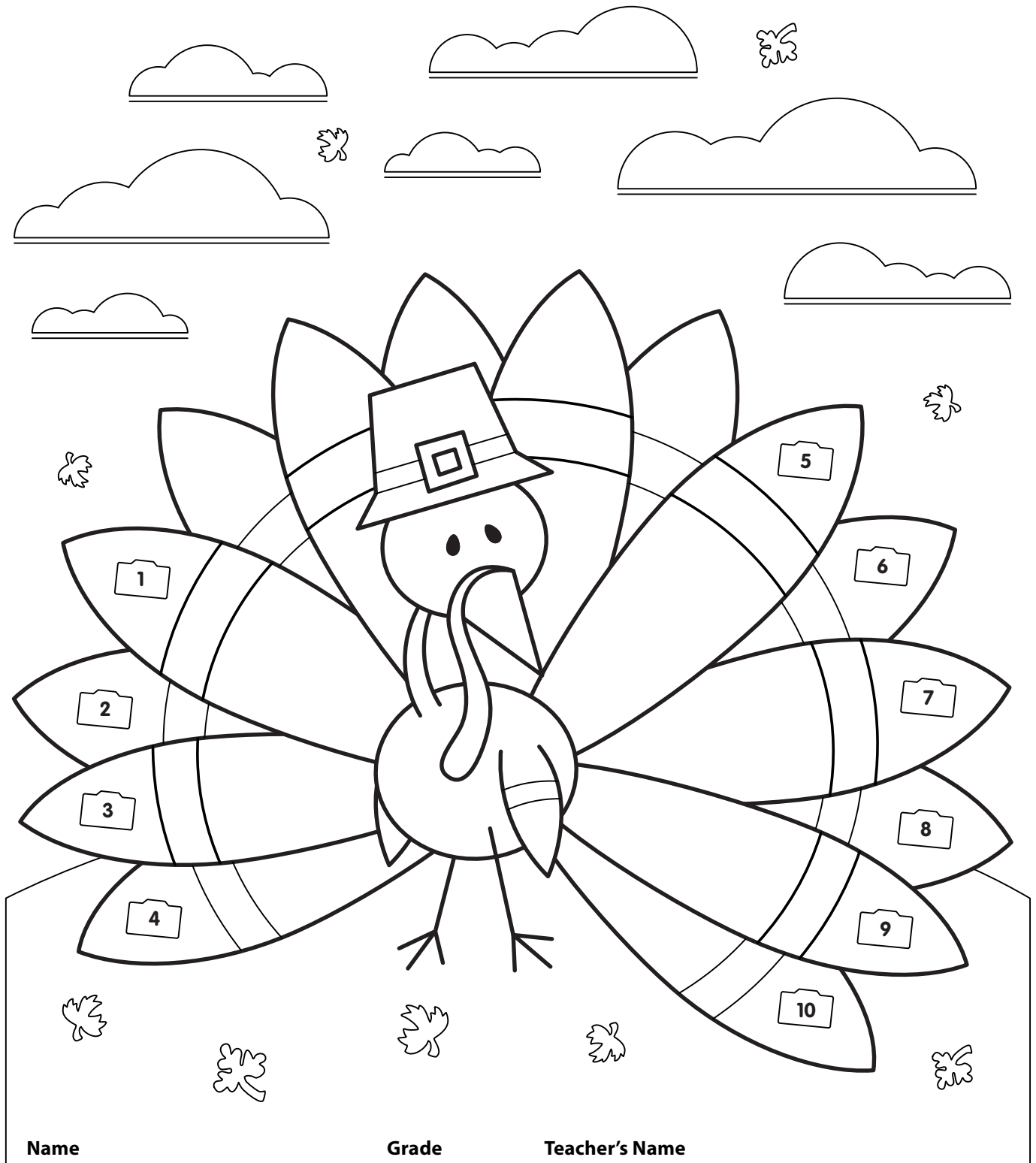
Stay tuned for our next contest in Jan/Feba Pancake Breakfast! Keep clipping.....

Sharon Hayes

Shayes9348@wowway.com



It's turkey time! Show your school how thankful you are with 10 Box Tops.



Thank you for helping! Every Box Top you collect is worth 10¢ for your school.
For more collection worksheets and projects, go to www.boxtops4education.com/activitycenter

FSA School Family Directory 2011-2012

The new School Family Directory will be published very soon! Every family gets **one free School Family Directory** compliments of FSA. Our school families find the Directory to be an indispensable source of all school-related contact information. There will be a **limited number of extra copies** of the FSA School Family Directory printed. If you would like an additional copy for your car, work, home office, babysitter, grandma's house, etc., you may now order as many as you need. Just send in the form below with payment to the school office by Fri., Nov. 11th. You may send cash or checks made payable to St. Barnabas FSA. For questions, contact Camilla O'Keefe at camillajoe@sbcglobal.net or (773) 885-4642.

Please include form below, placed in an envelope marked FSA Directory.

FSA Family Directory 2011-2011 order form for extra copies

Family name _____

Send with student _____ Rm. _____

No. of copies _____ x \$3.00 each = \$_____ enclosed

The ST. BARNABAS YEARBOOK is back!

Memories, fun times, friends... all packaged in a paperback book to be delivered in May 2012.

PREORDER

Preorder now at a discounted price of \$18. A second preorder will be available in the winter/spring at a slightly increased cost.

VOLUNTEER

Yearbook planning is underway. Catch the spirit and get involved! We need your help with gathering pictures, assembling layouts, name checking, writing captions - as little or as much time and involvement as you would like. And all ONLINE!!

____ I would like to **PREORDER** the St. Barnabas Yearbook at \$18 per copy.
Cash or check (payable to St. Barnabas School).

Number of copies _____ x \$18 = \$ enclosed _____

Deliver to:

Name of student(s) _____ Room Number (s) _____

____ I would like to **VOLUNTEER** to help out with the yearbook.

Name _____

Email _____

Select volunteer interests below (choose as many as you would like):

Grades PK K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 (circle as many as you would like)

____ class pages _____ sports _____ captions and copy

____ in-school special events (e.g. Halloween parade)

____ after-school special events (e.g. roller skating party)

____ organizations (e.g. student council, FSA)

____ other _____

Please return form and/or payment to school by

Friday, November 4, 2011 ATTN: Yearbook

Questions? Contact Jannine Joyce at jannine.joyce@hotmail.com or 773-727-7033 (cell, text)



ONLY 5 DAYS LEFT TO PURCHASE TICKETS!

The Progressive Mixer – November 18th – 6:30pm.

The Progressive Mixer ticket sales are selling fast. We have limited space on the buses and in each of the homes.

Tickets are \$55.00 per person. This includes all food, drink, transportation, laughs, music, and a kicking after party. Get your tickets today.

Four easy ways to purchase tickets.

You can drop off a check, made out to St. Barnabas Men's Club, or cash, at 10111 S Leavitt. I work from home so I am almost always around. If I'm not home slide it through the mail slot. Please include your email and telephone for event purposes.

OR You can send through school. Just send an envelope with you payment in your child's back pack with the following on the envelope:

Progressive Mixer – Mark Murphy c/o Fiona Murphy Room 203

OR Catch me after school at pickup.

OR Contact any of the following individuals for to purchase tickets.

Mark Murphy (mamurphy@comcast.net) 773-233-5655

Rob McDonald (rjmcdjr@gmail.com) 312 545 8965

Rochelle Callaghan (bcal66@yahoo.com) 773-779-5364

Jen Coakley (Jennifer.Coakley@gmail.com) 773-779-4509

Mike Hayes (kmhayes3@ameritech.net) 773-238-2268

Dave Borkovec (db92@sbcglobal.net) 773-429-0199

John Harrell (johnharrell@mac.com) 773-233-2222

Michael Macander – (macander@sbcglobal.net) 773-233-9929

I will send out email confirmation to keep as your record.

Thanks again, it's going to be a great party. Mark Murphy 773-233-565

ST. BARNABAS FAMILY GYM PASS

What it is: Allows you and your immediate family into the gym all year long without paying any additional entrance fees for sporting events

Cost: \$60 for the year; make checks payable to St. Barnabas Athletic Board

Who should buy one: Families of athletes in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade and those who expect to have a lot of home basketball and/or volleyball games; Families who expect their students want to attend several sporting events at the St. Barnabas gym. *Please note that 4th grade boys do not normally play any home basketball games at St. Barnabas.*

Consider this: A family of 4 pays \$4 each time they want to watch a game at the gym. If you will be attending a minimum of 15 games at the St. Barnabas gym over the course of the school year or if you want your student/s to be able to enter the gym without paying any admission fees, this pass is for you!

If you want to purchase a gym pass, send this form into school to the attention of Terry Conroy, conroytb@wowway.com

*****Note that we are only selling passes through school. No passes are sold at the gym.**

Family Name: _____

Family Members: _____



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The holidays are in the air! Christmas shopping season is here and Manna has everything! Get your Manna now for all your Christmas shopping and gift giving needs. We have all the hippest national brand stores available for you to give, and get Manna credits! It's the best opportunity all year to stock up and reap the Manna rewards. You should be receiving today your orders from Monday November 7, 2011. Be sure and check your child's backpack. Manna check and carry is tonight 6- 7:30 pm. This week new orders are due Monday, November 14, 2011 by 9:00 am. Orders will be distributed on Thursday, November 17, 2011, or may be picked up at the Manna check and carry on Thursday, from 6-7:30 p.m. in the gym vestibule. You may now use MannaPay for all Manna, including local stores. Don't forget ALL orders need to be turned in by Monday morning 9am in order to receive back the same week Thursday! Any questions, contact Sheri Jendra @ stbmanna@yahoo.com.

SAINT BARNABAS ADULT COMPUTER EDUCATION CLASSES



St. Barnabas will again be offering a number of computer classes in the school computer lab this semester. All classes will be taught by Mr. Alan Gbur, St. Barnabas parishioner and computer science professor at Daley College. All are welcome. Early registration and payment guarantees a spot in the class. Checks are to be made payable to St. Barnabas School and can be mailed along with the registration form to the school office at 10121 S. Longwood Drive, Chicago 60643, Attn: Adult Computer Class. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 773-445-7711.

Word II

Date: Tuesday, November 15th
Time: 7 – 9:00 p.m. Cost: \$25

Excel I

Date: Wednesday, November 16th
Time: 7 -9:00 p.m. Cost: \$25

Excel II

Date: Tuesday, November 29th
Time: 7-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$25

Introduction to Power Point

Date: Wednesday, November 30th
Time: 7-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$25

Adult Computer Class Registration Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Class: _____

Date of Class: _____

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Date of Class: _____

Mail registration form along with payment to:

St. Barnabas School

Attn: Adult Computer Class

10121 S. Longwood Drive

Chicago, IL 60643



BEVERLY HILLS JOB CLUB

The Beverly Hills Job Club meetings take place on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month. The Job Club meetings are held from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at St Barnabas Church Convent at 101st and Longwood Drive, Chicago, IL.

The November job club dates are: Wednesday, November 9 and November 23.

The Beverly Hills Job Club has been established by Human Resource Managers, Joan Quinn and Elizabeth Robertson to help people in search of employment. You will meet others in similar circumstances, gain different perspectives, resources, and expand your job search network - the most valuable tool in one's career search. There is no cost to join The Beverly Hills Job Club.

We are also looking for local business sponsorships and information on job openings for our members.

For more information about The Beverly Hills Job Club, please email Joan Quinn, The Beverly Hills Job Club Organizer, at joan.quinn24@yahoo.com for more details.



Support our community theatre and come to see **A Year with Frog and Toad**. Performances are November 12 and 13 at 2pm at the Beverly Art Center. The musical remains true to the spirit of the original books and follows two great friends, cheerful and popular frog and grumpy toad through four seasons. The show is performed by 6-11 yr olds and is especially good for a younger audience. St. Barnabas performers include: Maya O'Neill, Ella O'Neill, Mia Thorne, Margot Thorne, Fiona Fleming, Kristen Kolp, Nora McIntosh, Rhiannon O'Keefe, Maggie Fechner, Nora Harvey, Mary Moran and Elle King. Tickets (\$8/\$6 members) can be purchased at the door or are on sale now at the BAC.

CALLED to GLORY

The Church Is Alive and Young!

This coming week Fr. John Hetland and 14 of our parish teens will set out on a four day pilgrimage to the National Catholic Youth Conference. They are joined by 557 teens of the Archdiocese of Chicago and 25 thousand Catholic teens from across the country. They depart Thursday November 17th and return Sunday November 20th. We ask you to both pray for them and to join them from your own home!

NCYC will be streaming, broadcasting via the internet the general sessions and parent workshops. *We will be in Indianapolis so be aware the time zone is different!* We very much hope you will try to join us for one more “General Sessions” and parent workshops. The teen workshop topics are: Catholic faith users guide, Under pressure, Take the Lead, Mary –THE top model, and more!

Thursday, November 17

8:00 PM EST: *General Session*

Friday, November 18

- 9:30 AM EST: ***General Session***
- 11:45 AM EST: ***Parent Mega Workshop, “The Gift of Parenthood”***
- 1:45 PM EST: ***Parent Mega Workshop, “Stories of Faith and Family”***
- 3:45 PM EST: ***Parent Mega Workshop, “Talking with Teens about Taboo Topics”***

8:00 PM EST: *General Session*

Saturday, November 19



Be with us via the internet by following the link below to join us for our general sessions and parent workshops that are good for all.

<http://www.ncyc.info/index.htm>

Christ the King

2012

Junior Basketball

Registration

Thursday, November 17th

from

7:00p to 8:30p

**Please come and register your 1st, 2nd or 3rd Grader
at the Parish Family Center located behind the
School at 9240 South Hoyne Street. Parking is
available in the School's parking lot.**

Registration fee is \$100

**We look forward to having your child learn the
basics of basketball and to just have FUN!!**

**St. Barnabas parents please note:
There will be registration forms at the 1st Reconciliation
Evening of Reflection, which will be delivered to CK on Friday.**

CK girls night out

RAVINIA style

Tuesday * NOVEMBER 22nd * 7:00 pm

Christ the King Gym

9240 S. Hamilton

Chicago

\$7 Admission

(includes 2 free raffle tickets)

Grown up Girls Only

Come to Shop & Stay to Visit!

We feature only the best Vendors!!

Refreshments included!

Cash Bar for Beer, Wine,

Specialty drinks and Pop



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The Songs of Leiber and Stoller

Words & Music by
Jerry Leiber & Mike Stoller

Director: Ricky Harris

Tickets \$13/\$11 Members

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with R&H Theatricals - www.rnh.com

Performances
NOV. 18, 7PM
NOV. 19, 3PM
NOV. 20, 2PM

Design by Laura Stovick

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Featuring St. Barnabas 7th Graders, Alexis Kolp and Caelah Borkovec !