



Saint Barnabas' ✠ San Bernabé

“Ver a Cristo en Todos - See Christ in All”

Fourth Sunday of Advent



Prayer for St. Barnabas ✠ San Bernabé

*O Lord and Heavenly Father send your Holy Spirit upon the Church of
St. Barnabas ✠ San Bernabé*

*to inspire us, guide us, and give us strength to do your will, that we,
as individuals and as a congregation, will witness fully to the Truth that is Jesus.
Send us to those in need, place us in their lives, and make us such a beacon of your love
for all humankind, that we will pierce the present darkness of the world and bring people
from all nations to Christ Jesus, in whose Holy Name we pray.*

Amen

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two The Word of God

A hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.

Processional Hymn: *“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” [H#56 v. 1,6]*

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People ***His mercy endures for ever.***

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify Your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

Celebrant Lord, have mercy
People ***Christ, have mercy***
Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you***
Celebrant Let us pray

The Fourth Candle is Lit

Celebrant O God, we light the fourth candle of Advent.
We hear your angel Gabriel and witness the faith of Mary. Fill us with your grace and light. We know times when God has filled us and our world with blessing. Mary was a young, strong, spiritual woman. Even though her life was not easy, she heard God's voice and said yes. Her song was a prayer that would uplift those who were downtrodden. Her lyrics shattered the proud and called the world to change. She would bear within her the promised child. Jesus, the Light of the World. This Advent, we respond to God's beckoning to us as well.

People ***Shine on us, O God of justice; Guide our path through gloom of night; Bear within us Wisdom's glory; Come to us, O Christ.***

Celebrant Revealing God, visit us and fill us with your Spirit. Bring your good news to life within us. Give us courage to carry your light into the injustices and shadows of this world. ***Amen.***

The Celebrant says the Collect

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons

A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel 7: 1-11, 16

¹Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, ²the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." ³Nathan said to the

king, “Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.” ⁴But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: ⁵ Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? ⁶ I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. ⁷ Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?” ⁸ Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; ⁹ and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. ¹⁰ And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, ¹¹ from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. ¹⁶ Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; *your throne shall be established forever.*

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Canticle 15 - The Song of Mary

From Luke 1:46-55

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed: *
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him * in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm, * he has scattered the proud in their
conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
* and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty. 4 He has come to the help of his servant
Israel, * for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to
our fathers, * to Abraham and his children for ever.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

Reading from the Book of Romans 16: 25-27

²⁵ Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages ²⁶ but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— ²⁷ to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! *Amen.*

Celebrant The Word of the Lord

People ***Thanks be to God***

Sequence: ***“Of the Father’s Love Begotten” [H#82 v. 1,3]***

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 1: 26-38

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ***

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, “Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.”²⁹But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.” ³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” ³⁴Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” ³⁵The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.” ³⁶And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷For nothing will be impossible with God.” ³⁸Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.”
Then the angel departed from her.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ***

Gospel Response: ***(H#82 v.4)***

The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

Prayers of the People Form III *The Leader and People pray responsively:*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; **(Aaron Smith)**
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

(Ministry with Aging also Rural Church Commission)

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

(Healing Prayers for **Alma, Claudia, Brenda, Betty, Rosalba, Edgar, Linda, Gene, Alyce, Lee, Ken, Lolita, Kennard, Jack, Sondra, Willie, Ana, Bill, Justina, Steve, Mary, Erika Enríquez, Maricela Castro, Cecilia Munoz, Padre Tony and Karen Munoz, Leonor Rivera, Nina, Marlene, Catherine, Jason, Emmett, Cayden, Darryl, Tom, Julie, Barbara, Chance, Chad, Virginia Argueta, Concha Felipe, Elaine, Bob, Amie, Joey, Javier Mejía, Fernando Escobedo, Paul Vaden and family, Niyan Xiao y Ping Chin, Ann, Garza Family, David, June, María Barrios, Maggie, Telma, Connie, Nita, Jeff, Margaret, Deacon Rosemary and victims of hurricane Eta. Also prayers for our Nation's School Children and Teachers, and to have Peace in our Country**

*Also thank you Lord for all the blessings of this life, those celebrating their Birthdays, Anniversary of their Marriage, and/ or their Baptism. *

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the Men and Women in our Police, Fire Departments, First Responders, Doctors, Nurses, National Guard and the Armed Forces of our Country at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace: strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils, which beset them: and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

Silence.

The People may add their own petitions The Celebrant adds a concluding collect:

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

***Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen***

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, + forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Special Blessing

Announcements

Please remember to send your contributions to the church. They can be mailed to 1200 N. Shiloh Rd. Garland, Tx. 75042 or dropped in the mail slot in the red church door on the south side by the USPS mail box.

Send Christmas Cards to the Church and we will display them on our Christmas Card Tree. You can mail or put thru the mail slot on the church door by the USPS mailbox

We will have the recorded service on Christmas Eve Thursday, December 24 at 4 pm. We will also have Communion and Candy Bags for Children. Come see our Nativity and lights after watching the Christmas Eve video.

The Office will be closed from Thursday December 24th thru Monday January 4th.

Offertory Sentence

O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being. *Revelation 4:11*

Offertory Hymnal: *“Ye who Claim the Faith of Jesus”* (Hymn #268 v. 4)

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love, which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said,

"Take, eat:
This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,

"Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit + upon these gifts that they
may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

+Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him,
being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in
subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the
Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Barnabas our Patron, your son **Aaron Smith** and all your
saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

All: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

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| | Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; |
| <i>People</i> | <i>Therefore let us keep the feast.</i> |
| | The Gifts of God for the People of God. |
| <i>and may add</i> | Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. |
| <i>and/or</i> | This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper. |
| <i>People</i> | <i>Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.</i> |

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

***My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament;
I love you above everything else and I wish to receive you now into my soul; since
at this time I cannot receive you sacramentally, come spiritually to my heart.
Lord, I am not worthy that you enter my house, but only one word of yours will
be enough to heal my soul. The Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord
Jesus Christ, save my soul for Eternal life. Amen.***

During the ministration of Communion, a hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung

Communion Meditation: “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (Instrumental)

After Communion, the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

***Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with
gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path, and the blessing of God Almighty. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen***

***We want to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a
Happy and Safe New Year!!!
Queremos desearles a todos una Feliz Navidad y un
Feliz y Seguro Año Nuevo!!!***



The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Dismissal: “Savior of the Nations Come” [H#54 v. 1, 4]