

GIFTS OF LOVE





Help fund St. Barnabas Ministries





Fall Fundraiser October 19 – November 9, 2025



Every budget tells a story. The St. Barnabas budget tells of a community of faithful people called to love and serve God. By our worship, by our care for one another and for our neighbours, and by the creative ways we seek to share the hope of Christ, we strive to sow the seeds of God's love in a troubled world.

How and what we give are spiritual matters. What we do with our money has everything to do with our Eucharist, our "sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving." This fundraiser is an opportunity to draw attention both to the ways we serve God together at St. Barnabas, as well as to our personal practises of sharing of the abundance we receive from God.

Community Life



Someone once said St. Barnabas grows by "soft evangelism": we invite people to experience the love of God we know and share. The Tea Talks are one important avenue of invitation.

Bring a friend to enjoy discussion by knowledgeable speakers on topics ranging from politics to theology, history to sociology, art and poetry to economics . . . all while enjoying a traditional, home-made high tea! We host six tea talks per year. Admission is by donation. Everyone is welcome — and childcare is provided. Consider sponsoring more than one Tea Talk!!

The lunches after Sunday Mass feed friendships and nourish community.

Coffee and Tea may seem like small things, but they play a big part in making our lunches warm and welcoming.

Coffee and Tea for 1 year of



4 Sessions of the Advent \$1200 **Spiral**



More than 200 individuals attend this meditative and family-friendly annual event, providing many from within and from outside the parish a beautiful way to prepare for the coming of the light at Christmas.

International Volunteers

Every year we sponsor at least one international volunteer. These volunteers, beside adding energy to the parish, are involved in many areas of ministry. They teach Sunday School, help facilitate at The River and The River at Home, help out at the Friday Communion, and lead the Youth Group, Philosophy Group, and Young Adults group. They are busy with the IT aspects of our administration, take the lead in the kitchen at our Sunday lunches, as well as help out in all of our seasonal outreach ministries, from Star Sunday to the Christmas Hampers, etc.. We could not do all these good things without them!

Sponsoring an International Volunteer is not only a great way to support many ministries of the parish, it also provides a lifechanging experience for a young person growing in maturity and faith.





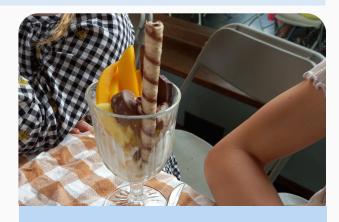
1 International Volunteer for 1 year

\$11,000

Each volunteer is with us for the 10 months of the school year. They each cost \$1,100 per month: \$800 room and board; \$250 "allowance"; and \$50 cell phone.

Family Ministry

Passing our faith down to our children is one of the most important ministries of the church. St. Barnabas works hard to provide a wonderfilled learning and growing environment both for our own children and for families seeking care and faith.



Sundae Sunday Sundae Supplies

\$300



Snacks for 1 season of the River Playgroup \$300



Star Sunday

1 of 22 Crafting Stations \$250 Waffles station \$450



1 Year's Water Colour Supplies for Sunday School \$200



1 Meal for the teen philosophy group

\$100

The Friday Communion



Your contribution supplies grocery vouchers, offering practical support to those facing food insecurity.

1 week of food vouchers 1 month of food vouchers \$250 \$1000

1 month of fruit for Friday Communion

\$30

Each Friday morning at 9:00, we celebrate the Eucharist. Then we share coffee and breakfast; and distribute grocery vouchers to those who need them — including some who unhoused, some in halfway houses, some who are immigrants or refugees or indigenous – anyone seeking nonjudgmental, supportive community. The Friday Communion fosters friendship across social divides. Lives are nourished not only through material help, but through presence, prayer, and connection.

Along with home-baking, fruit is shared with our Friday community as part of our food outreach, offering healthy nourishment.



Music

"Whoever sings prays twice"

Music is an integral part of our worship tradition — and of the joy of our adoration of God!





Choral Scholars

1 year for 1 of 4 Choral Scholars \$5000

4 Choral Scholars for 1 Sung Mass \$440

St. Barnabas sponsors four choral "scholars". The scholarships support the whole choir, enrich our worship, and support a local young musician!

Worship

Communion Wine and Wafer for 1 year

\$150 \$120





Votive candles for 1 year \$90

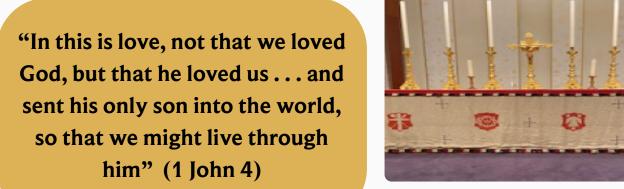


Palm Crosses

\$70

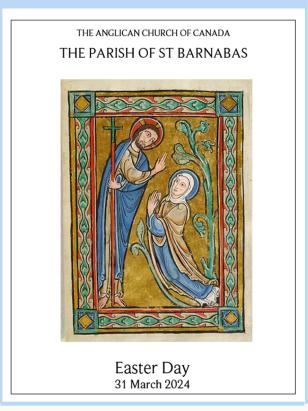
Worship is at the centre of our life together in Christ.
Everything else we do is as an outpouring of the spirit of our thanksgiving to God!

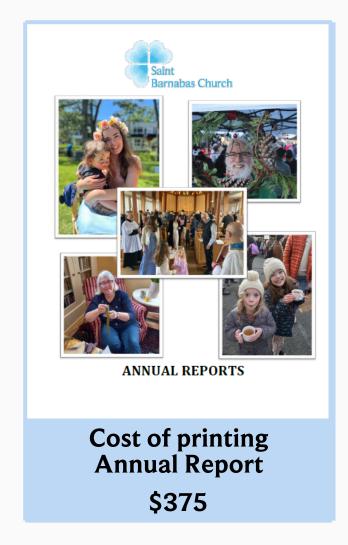
Cleaning the altar linens \$115



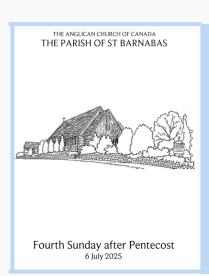
Administration

Colour Bulletins for Holy Week & Easter \$325





1 year of bookkeeping services \$3,700



1 weeks'
B&W
bulletins

\$35



Office Administrator

Our office administrator is paid for 12 hours per week.

She is our first point of contact with the community. She is responsible for the weekly bulletins, keeping the website and our social media up to date, for handling our mail and electronic communications, preparing all parish printed materials such as the Annual Report, tracking the hall rental schedule, producing posters and other promotional materials, supporting the Treasurer and bookkeeper, and for maintaining the parish records. It's a lot to do in very little time!



Office Administrator for 1 year

\$17,000

St. Paul includes administration as one of the gifts of the Spirit, for he knew that a good administrator is crucial for the smooth running order of the church. In fact the word for administrator in Greek means "to steer a ship."

Buildings and Grounds



Our buildings represent one of our major costs — and one of our major ministries. Our buildings provide spaces for worship and community-making. Our church building stands as a sign of faith in our neighbourhood. The beauty of our interior helps lift our spirits in prayer.

1 week janitorial services for church and hall \$350

1 year of Garbage
Disposal services
\$3,700





6 months of toilet paper

\$75

Ways to Give

- 1. e-transfer: admin@stbarnabaschurch.ca (please state for what you are donating)
- 2. **cheque**: made out to St. Barnabas Church (please state for what you are donating in the memo line)
- 3. **CanadaHelps**: on the CanadaHelps website, search for 'St Barnabas Church, Victoria.' (In the message line, please include the ministry you are supporting)

In Christ, we:

Proclaim Christ crucified, risen, alive in our midst, and are stewards of the mysteries of God.

Worship God in the beauty of holiness, and sing!

Demonstrate love for the neglected and outcast, and honour one another.

Celebrate in the great tradition of the holy catholic church, the saints past and the saints present.

Are thankful and amazed.

