



# *The* MOCKINGBIRD

All-Parish Newsletter | *April - June 2025*

## **The Right Rev. Jennifer A. Reddall Visits Saint Barnabas + CONFIRMATIONS**

Bishop Reddall will visit Saint Barnabas on Sunday, April 27. She will lead a discussion with the congregation at 9am in Hutton Hall and on Zoom. She will be preaching and presiding at both services. The 10:15 service will include confirmations and receptions into the Episcopal Church.

We look forward to the Bishop's visit with Saint Barnabas!

To Join LIVE Online go to *Zoom.us* the day and time of the event and use these credentials: Meeting ID: 836 8472 1494 | Passcode: 848964

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# Join us for Holy Week & Easter

Journey with us through the sacred days of Holy Week, from the solemnity of Palm Sunday to the joy of Easter morning. Come as you are and experience the love, hope, and renewal of Christ's resurrection in a welcoming Episcopal community. We look forward to celebrating with you!



## **PALM SUNDAY SERVICES**

Commemorating Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem and his crucifixion.  
Sunday, April 13 | 7:45am and 10:15am. In-person + Online



## **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Associated primarily with the Last Supper of Jesus and his apostles, Maundy Thursday's liturgy begins our journey with Jesus to the cross.  
Thursday, April 17 | 7pm



## **GOOD FRIDAY • STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

The traditional readings and prayers for the fourteen Stations of the Cross, followed by a choral meditation.  
Friday, April 18 | 12pm



## **GOOD FRIDAY • LITURGY**

Recalling the Passion of Jesus Christ.  
Friday, April 18 | 1pm | Good Friday Liturgy  
Friday, April 18 | 7pm | Good Friday Liturgy. In-person + Online



## **THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER**

Features our children and youth, Saint Barnabas' Arts and Music Group. Dinner and Dessert feast follows the Vigil. All are welcome. Childcare is available.  
Saturday, April 19 | 5pm



## **EASTER SUNDAY**

"He is Risen!" All are welcome to join us for festive celebrations with Eucharist, music, and community. Childcare in the Children's Center is available at all morning services.  
**Sunday, April 20**  
7am | 9am. In person + Online | 11am



## **EASTER EGG HUNT**

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt takes place in the courtyard on Easter Sunday! All are welcome to participate. Easter crafts at 10am | Egg Hunt begins at 10:30am.

**Please Note:** There is no Faith Formation (Sunday School) for children and adults on Easter. Children's Chapel does not meet on Easter Sunday. All children are welcome in worship.



# Saint Barnabas Missions

## FAMILY PROMISE

### boundless Welcome: Family Promise at Saint Barnabas in May

*by Susan Tuttle*

Anyone who has been part of the **boundless Welcome: Family Promise at Saint Barnabas** mission can attest to the truth of the Bible verse below. And we can even tell you that every Family Promise parent and child we have hosted on our campus has been an angel, delivering straight to our hearts the message of God's great Mercy and Love. What blessings this program provides to all who welcome and all who are welcomed!

From **Sunday, May 4 – Sunday, May 11**, Saint Barnabas will extend a "boundless Welcome" to a new group of Family Promise parents and their children who are working hard to transition out of homelessness. Every evening that week, from 5–8pm in Hutton Hall, our volunteers will provide and share dinner with our guests and lead the children in after-dinner activities. Overnight, two trained volunteers stay in the Learning Center with our families, providing the comfort of having a parishioner on site. No two evenings are the same during Family Promise week, but, typically, we host 3–5 families, or 7–14 individuals, providing food, fellowship, and fun for parents and children from less than a year old on up!

If you know you would like to participate, please visit the Sign-up Genius available on the Mission Partners page of the Saint Barnabas website: [saintbarnabas.org/ministries/missions](http://saintbarnabas.org/ministries/missions) and sign-up for the role/time slot(s) that suit your interests and schedule. Sign up for yourself and/or your friends and family if you would like to participate together!

If you have any questions about how to sign up, about **boundless Welcome: Family Promise at Saint Barnabas** generally, or about how to become a trained Overnight volunteer, please phone the church office at (480) 948-5560 and a member of the leadership team will be in touch.

Come be a blessing to these parents and children in need and be blessed by them in turn yourself! (And if you cannot join us in May, mark your calendar and stay tuned for information about our final hosting of the year, **August 10–17**.) Register now by scanning the QR code below!





# BE THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS: Support the Mexico Medical Mission 2025!

At Saint Barnabas, we are called to love and serve our neighbors near and far. This summer, **from Sunday, July 13 through Friday, July 18**, a dedicated team from our church will travel to Ensenada, Mexico, to provide essential medical care to underserved communities. As part of this mission, we are collecting donations to supply basic toiletries, t-shirts, and handmade blessing bags to patients in need.

## How You Can Help

Many of the individuals we serve arrive at the clinic with very little. By donating simple yet essential items, you can bring comfort and dignity to those receiving care. We are seeking donations of:

- Full-size toothpaste
- Full-size bar soap
- New or gently used t-shirts (all sizes welcome)
- Cotton fabric pieces (approx. 20"x22")  
to be sewn into blessing bags

## Where to Donate

Donation bins will be available at Sunday services—just look for the marked boxes in the courtyard or ask a greeter for assistance. Every contribution makes a difference!

## Why This Mission Matters

The Mexico Medical Mission is more than just providing healthcare—it is about building relationships, offering hope, and showing God's love in tangible ways. For many of the patients we serve, this clinic is their only opportunity to receive medical attention and basic personal care supplies. Your generosity allows us to extend the impact of this mission beyond medical treatment, offering small but meaningful comforts that restore dignity and well-being.

## Join Us in Making a Difference

For more information, please contact **Mary Beth Volberding** at [mvolberding@live.com](mailto:mvolberding@live.com).

**Thank you** for your kindness, generosity, and commitment to sharing Christ's love with those in need.





## FOOD DRIVE

### Every third Sunday of the month!

Our food drive collection is on the third Sunday of the month. Food can be dropped off in front of the **Music Center** between 7:45am and 10:15am or dropped off any Sunday of the month. Look for shopping carts in the courtyard! The food you donate will go to food banks that have Episcopal roots. More at [saintbarnabas.org/food-drive](http://saintbarnabas.org/food-drive).



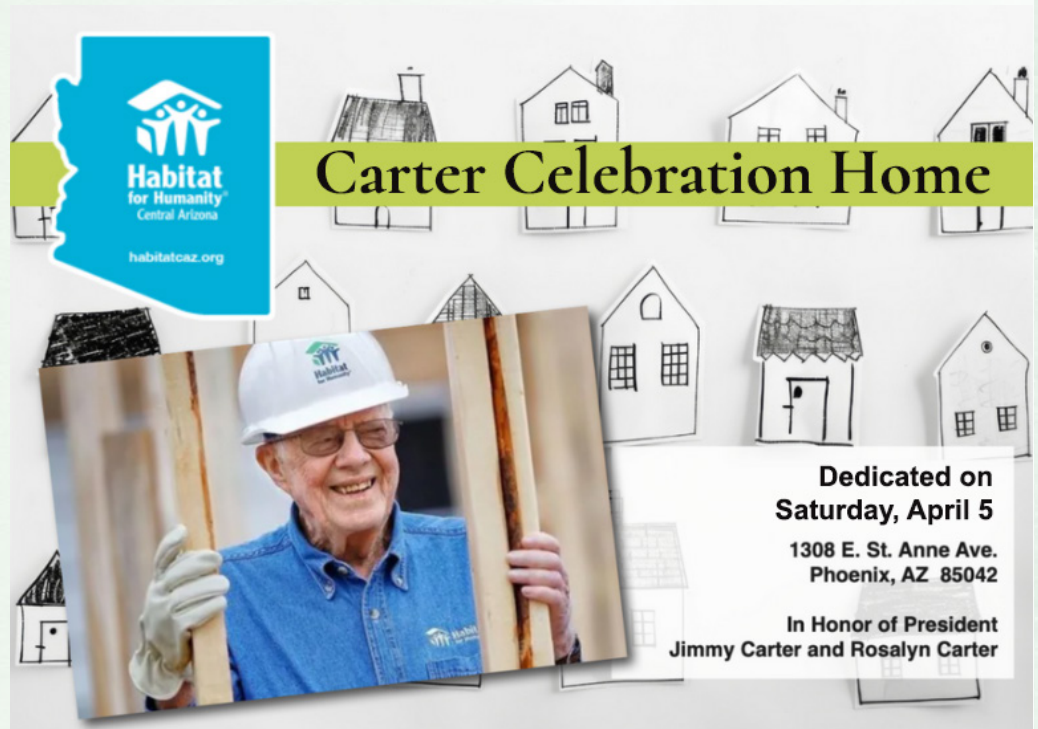
## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY UPDATE

### The Jimmy Carter Tribute House

Dear Friends,

We are nearing the completion of our 2024 house! The final steps are underway as we wait for the contractor to install water and electricity. Once that is done, the floors can be finished, and the family will finally be able to move into their new home—a moment they are eagerly anticipating!

In the meantime, we've been taking part in a special project: building the **Jimmy Carter Tribute House** in honor of one of Habitat's greatest volunteers. On March 18, we raised the walls, and soon, we will lift the trusses.



The house dedication will take place on April 5, followed by a celebration picnic lunch in a local park. Thank you for your continued dedication and generosity. I look forward to celebrating with you this milestone and to work more together in the future! If you are interested in volunteering please contact me at 480.620.8722.

With gratitude,  
Jay Harris

## OPERATION SCHOOL BELL

### Volunteer to Help Kids with School Uniforms & Shoes!

Once or twice a month we go to an elementary school and help children get fitted for school uniforms and shoes. The **Assistance League of Phoenix** has converted big busses into dressing rooms for the children. We also hand out books and toiletries! This is a great way to serve the community! Email **Kate Fimbres** (Minister of Youth and Parish Life) at [kate@saintbarnabas.org](mailto:kate@saintbarnabas.org) with any questions about this service or to sign up to volunteer! For more information about The Assistance League of Phoenix, please visit: [www.alphx.org](http://www.alphx.org)





# Contemplative Life

## ► **CENTERING PRAYER** | Mondays 2pm – 3:30pm | Meets in the Jim Clark Contemplative Chapel

We intend to open ourselves to the Holy Spirit's transformative action in our minds and hearts. The practice of centering prayer is at the heart of all of our contemplative life ministries at Saint Barnabas.

More at: [saintbarnabas.org/centeringprayer](http://saintbarnabas.org/centeringprayer)

## ► **TAIZÉ WORSHIP** | Every First Tuesday of the month at 7pm | Sanctuary

Escape the bustle of life at Saint Barnabas' monthly Taizé service every first Tuesday at 7pm. Step into the Sanctuary's serene ambiance, echoing the tranquil landscapes of France's Taizé community. Experience a unique worship style that offers solace, connection, and spiritual renewal. For further details, don't hesitate to reach out to the **Rev. Jennifer Tucker** at [jennifer@saintbarnabas.org](mailto:jennifer@saintbarnabas.org) or contact the church office.

► **EXPLORING POETRY AS A SPIRITUAL PRACTICE** | Every First Thursday of the month, 10am – 11:30pm | Meets Online - Not a writing workshop or book club, but a circle of poetry enthusiasts inviting the Holy Spirit's guidance. Each session, we share spiritual poems, taking turns reading and reflecting. To join, contact **Mary Stone** at [maryspeckerstone@gmail.com](mailto:maryspeckerstone@gmail.com)

## ► **TAEHS** | *The ART of Engaging Holy Scripture*

The **TAEHS** curriculum at Saint Barnabas is a Bible study, unique in the opportunity to read, engage and learn from scripture. Small groups of 8-10 parishioners begin with overall studies and then select from studies including the Gospels, Genesis, and some Epistles. We have groups on Sunday mornings, Tuesday evenings, Wednesdays at 7:30am (this one on Zoom) and Wednesday mid-morning on campus. Interested? We have a few groups with slots available. Send your questions or requests to **Ann Hott** at: [Ann.Hott9@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.Hott9@gmail.com)

To read more, please visit: [saintbarnabas.org/taehs](http://saintbarnabas.org/taehs)

To learn more about our contemplative life program, please visit: [saintbarnabas.org/contemplative-life](http://saintbarnabas.org/contemplative-life)





# Quiet Days

► SANCTUARY + ZOOM

• SATURDAY, APRIL 12 - 9:30AM - 1PM

With Dr. Elizabeth Ursic



## UPCOMING...

• SATURDAY, MAY 10 - 9:30AM - 1PM

• SATURDAY, JUNE 14 - 9:30AM - 1PM

The contemplative life involves pausing, being still, and resting in Christ's presence. Quiet Day features reflections, solitary time, and communal silent prayer in the Sanctuary, concluding with Holy Eucharist. Participants are encouraged to bring their Bibles and explore the grounds for reading or journaling.

To join the day of the event on Zoom, go to [zoom.us/login](https://zoom.us/login) and type the following:

Meeting ID: 825 3083 3892

Passcode: 504615

Questions? Contact Ann Hott at [ann.hott9@gmail.com](mailto:ann.hott9@gmail.com). All are Welcome!

*Join Us*



# Setting Sail for Adventure:

Behind the scenes of our pirate-themed  
Saint Barnabas Arts Camp.



*by Sarah Petersen*

It's exciting to think about how our wildly popular Saint Barnabas Arts Camp is less than three months away! We've been busy preparing our pirate adventure since last fall. Did you know that we write our video series to teach the important lessons about loving our neighbors and loving God each summer? This year, our series stars a pirate crew of 5 actors who are all Saint Barnabas members: **Bill Marshall, Greta Henson, Grace Rogers, Susan Tuttle, and Meredith Williams.** Starting in December, we recorded our actors in front of a green screen in the Learning Center Library.

Now, we're in the process of video editing the series, so it's ready early for adult leader training. We can't wait for the kids to learn with our Captain, Stowaway, Mermaid, and other characters this summer!



This would be impossible without our fantastic writer, video editor, drama teacher, and camp song lyricist, **Adele Powers.** Adele is a true "treasure" and has worked closely with Sarah Petersen to develop the curriculum and focus of Arts Camp since 2017. Good friends since they were in Spanish class at Saguaro High School, Adele and Sarah love collaborating and encouraging one another. Adele, daughter of Saint Barnabas members Pat and Suzy Dodds, now lives in Madison, WI, with her family. She still loves Arts Camp and is dedicated to the writing, teaching, and creating needed to make Saint Barnabas Arts Camp happen for many years to come.

Although Adele has been writing Arts Camp skits for nearly 8 years, more recently, she has used her lyrical talents to help us develop an original camp song for three years running. These special songs leave an impression on campers for months and years to come. They learn the song, the motions, and the meaning of the lyrics before and during Arts Camp. On the final day, they make a "music video" together that gets posted to YouTube Kids to share with parents and friends. It's also a keepsake that they can watch any time in the future.



Each year, we send out a survey to gather feedback for the future. Overwhelmingly, we receive positive comments about how much kids and parents love Saint Barnabas Arts Camp. These anonymous surveys include these comments from 2024:

“ I like that our daughter felt a connection with her faith during the camp and that the camp expanded her understanding of her faith to further believe in her goodness. She had a rough end to the school year with a difficult friend and started the summer feeling sad and experiencing very low self-esteem. I felt like St. Barnabas camp turned her mood around and helped her believe in herself again. She also just had a wonderful time with the crafts, games, and songs. ”

“ My daughter has attended summer camp for the past three years and looks forward to this camp over any other summer! Sarah does an excellent job communicating with parents, and my daughter feels like she has made friends each year and is welcomed/remembered by staff. It's an exceptional experience, and I'm excited to be able to bring my youngest daughter next year! ”



“ My boys absolutely love this camp every year. All the volunteers are so kind and fun, and I love how creative it is! ”

As of this posting, 240 kids signed up over the three weeks in June, and 40 adults committed to helping with the campers. We continue to meet weekly to work on art project preparation, decorations, and more for Arts Camp. All are welcome to join Sarah and other volunteers for this drop-in gathering:

## ART CAMP MAKERS

Thursdays from 10am-12pm | Children's Center next to the playground

This experience would not be possible without the continued support of the entire Saint Barnabas congregation. Thank you for all your encouragement. Get ready for Arts Camp Sunday on June 29 this year, when we will share our 2025 camp song and invite all three weeks of campers and helpers to join us at the 10:15 service. The adult choir will join the kids in singing our sea shanty *To Treasure Beyond Treasure*!





# Did you know?

**TOUR THE GROUNDS** | Sunday, May 18 – 11:20am – 12:45pm | Starts in the Chapel  
Saint Barnabas has been blessed with a rich legacy of the arts. For an up-close look at our unique worship spaces and our grounds, join **Judee Morrison**, a member of the **Memorial Acceptance and Fine Arts Committee (MAFA)**, and learn about how the art of Saint Barnabas inspires us to elevate worship. Meets in the Jim Clark Contemplative Chapel right after the 10:15am service. All are welcome!

## CONSECRATION OF THE LUKE AND MATTHEW CHAPEL SEDILIA NEEDLEPOINT CUSHION

During the 10:15 service on Sunday, January 19, the **Rev. Dan Burner** consecrated the **Luke and Matthew Chapel sedilia needlepoint cushion**. **Juliet Hemingray** designed the canvas to match the priest chairs, which depict Mark and John.

**Irene and Bob Wood** provided the artwork for the cushion and canvas painting in thanksgiving for their many years at Saint Barnabas and in memory of their parents, sister, and two great-grandchildren.

**Peggy Iacobelli** worked the canvas and contributed the cost of upholstering the piece. She dedicated it to the memory of her mother, **Lois A. Van Dyck**, who taught her to needlepoint and watched as the design came to life.

Interestingly, the boxing edge of the cushion traveled across five continents—North and South America, Europe, Africa, and Antarctica—over the 20 years it took to complete!

- **Left side – St. Luke:**

The Winged Creature with the Head of an Ox. Luke is symbolized by the ox, the animal of sacrifice. In his Gospel, Luke stresses the atoning sacrifice of Jesus.

- **Right side – St. Matthew:**

The Winged Creature with a Man's Face. The winged man represents Matthew because his Gospel traces Jesus' human genealogy.



The beauty of Saint Barnabas is found not only in our worship and community but also in the sacred artwork that enriches our spaces and deepens our spiritual experience. From stunning needlepoint cushions to intricate altar adornments, these artistic expressions are made possible by the **Memorial Acceptance and Fine Arts Committee (MAFA)**.

MAFA is dedicated to curating, preserving, and overseeing the fine art pieces that bring life and meaning to our sacred spaces. Led by parishioner **Peggy Iacobelli**, this committee ensures that each piece—whether a textile, painting, or sculpture—complements the spiritual atmosphere of Saint Barnabas and serves as a lasting testament to faith, creativity, and remembrance.



# WORLD LABYRINTH DAY



**MAY 3,** 8:30AM  
HUTTON HALL  
**WALK AS ONE  
FOR PEACE**

Join us as we create a unified rolling wave of peaceful energy passing from one time zone to the next around the globe.

This event planned by the Saint Barnabas Contemplative Life Ministries Team. For more information: [cdnealjr51@gmail.com](mailto:cdnealjr51@gmail.com).

## A FAMILY-FRIENDLY CELEBRATION

Saint Barnabas joins thousands of people around the planet for the **17th Annual World Labyrinth Day Walk For Peace**. Come join us as we enjoy refreshments and family-friendly crafts, then make our way to the labyrinth to walk the path in prayer and reflection. Live Native American flute music is planned. Not a walker? Finger labyrinths, shaded tables and chairs will be available nearby.

**What is a Labyrinth?** A labyrinth is a path leading to a center. Labyrinths are an ancient symbol dating back 4,000 years or more... Labyrinths evoke spiritual pilgrimage, religious practice, mindfulness, well-being and community building.

"Labyrinths are found in a variety of belief structures, from Christianity to Judaism to Native American religions ... The labyrinth, neither inherently Christian or non-Christian, has been adapted by our faith tradition in the same way that symbols like the Advent wreath and the Christmas tree began as pagan practices and were later "baptized" by the Church and infused with Christian meaning. A labyrinth is merely a tool that helps us bring a spiritual reality into a tangible experience."

-From *A Labyrinth Year: Walking the Seasons of the Church* by Richard Kautz, 2005, Morehouse Publishing. Find out more at [saintbarnabas.org/labyrinth-walk](http://saintbarnabas.org/labyrinth-walk).



LABYRINTHS OFFER  
PRAYER THROUGH  
MOVEMENT &  
PRESENCE

GATHER AT  
8:30 AM IN  
HUTTON HALL

LIVE NATIVE  
AMERICAN FLUTE &  
REFRESHMENTS

FINGER  
LABYRINTHS,  
TABLES & CHAIRS  
AVAILABLE

ALL ARE WELCOME!  
BRING A FRIEND!

## WORLD LABYRINTH DAY

is an annual international event sponsored by The Labyrinth Society.

Every year on the first Saturday in May thousands of people around the world participate in this moving meditation for world peace and celebration of the labyrinth experience.







## PALM CROSS MAKING

Saturday, April 12, 9am-1pm | Music Center

Are you a Maker? Come make Palm Crosses with us! On Palm Sunday, all parishioners will receive a palm cross.

They will be handed out during our in-person worship service and YOU can be a part of the group that helps make this happen. Palm cross making is easy to learn and no experience is necessary.

Join us for this great morning of fellowship and fun. Please RSVP to **Dorothy Grayson** at [dagrayso@hotmail.com](mailto:dagrayso@hotmail.com). Or call the church office. **All are welcome!**



## rites of passage

### *Baptisms*

Tex Taylor Smith  
January 19, 2025

Sloane Elizabeth Brindlinger  
March 2, 2025

### *Deaths*

Robert Hainlen  
Barbara Wick  
Karen Rogers  
Deborah Beresford  
Elizabeth (Beth) Moss  
Anthea Mannion  
Lawrence (Larry) Brainard

December 5, 2024  
January 19, 2025  
January 25, 2025  
February 15, 2025  
February 24, 2025  
March 8, 2025  
March 22, 2025



# CALENDAR | APRIL - MAY - JUNE 2025

APRIL 1	Taizé Worship
APRIL 2	Blood Drive
APRIL 3	Exploring Poetry as a Spiritual Practice Lenten series continues
APRIL 5	Dvořák Stabat Mater concert
APRIL 6	Barnabas Legacy Society luncheon
APRIL 10	Lenten series concludes
APRIL 12	Palm Cross making Quiet Day
APRIL 13	Palm Sunday Food Drive Grief Circle
APRIL 17	Maundy Thursday Book Club
APRIL 18	Good Friday (parish office closed at noon)
APRIL 19	Order of Saint Luke Easter Vigil
APRIL 20	Easter Sunday
APRIL 27	Bishop Reddall visit and Confirmations

MAY 1	Exploring Poetry as a Spiritual Practice
MAY 3	Labyrinth Walk for Peace
MAY 4	New Member Sunday Star Wars on the Desert concert
MAY 4 – 11	Family Promise week
MAY 6	Taizé Worship
MAY 10	Quiet Day
MAY 15	Book Club Spring Luncheon
MAY 17	Order of Saint Luke Children's Choir at Westminster Village
MAY 18	Food Drive Tour the Grounds
MAY 26	Memorial Day (parish office closed)

JUNE 1	Newcomer Lunch
JUNE 3	Taizé Worship
JUNE 4	Blood Drive
JUNE 5	Exploring Poetry as a Spiritual Practice
JUNE 8	Pentecost
JUNE 9 – 27	Saint Barnabas Arts Camp 2025
JUNE 14	Quiet Day
JUNE 15	Food Drive
JUNE 19	Juneteenth (parish office closed)
JUNE 21	Order of Saint Luke



# Broadway Bash Recap!

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

A hearty **thank ye** to all who joined us for a night of swashbucklin' fun and to the incredible volunteers and talented performers who made this event a roaring success! Your spirit, generosity, and enthusiasm helped bring our pirate adventure to life, making it a night to remember.

Arrr, mateys! Our Parish Hall be transformed into a true pirate's paradise, all in the name of our grand annual fundraising for **Youth Missions**. A night filled with revelry, treasure hunting, and the finest company a buccaneer could ask for! Aye, 'twas a celebration of the **\*\*real\*\*** riches in life—family, friends, and the mighty spirit of community.

Our resident scribe, the clever **Adele Powers**, spun a tale fit for the high seas—three daring pirates settin' sail in search of the grandest treasure chests, and our fearless stage director **Sarah Smith** led the quest as they followed maps, braved tempests, and dreamed of glitterin' gold and jewels beyond measure. But when at last they laid claim to their prize, they found a treasure far more precious than doubloons—one they never expected!

The stage burst to life with sea shanties and mirthful mayhem! Performers took to the decks with swagger and song, channeling their inner pirate as the young ones strutted about like seasoned swashbucklers. From the lively tune of *My Favorite Things* to the comedic romp of *I Am Adolpho*, and even a nod to old-world glitz with *Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend*, every note brought us closer to findin' that "X" that marked the spot.

And what's a pirate's feast without a proper galley crew? Our culinary sorcerers whipped up a spread fit for a captain—pirate-inspired dishes that transported every scallywag to a tropical paradise! But the fun didn't stop there! Raffles and silent auctions kept the excitement rollin' like the tides, ensuring the night stayed young and spirits stayed high.

As the sails furled and the curtain closed on another legendary gathering, we be left with hearts full o' laughter and gratitude. Until next year, me hearties—when we hoist the colors once more and set sail for another grand adventure! **\*\*Yo ho, 'til then!\*\***



To view a more complete gallery of images from Broadway Bash please visit: [saintbarnabas.org/broadway-bash-2025](https://saintbarnabas.org/broadway-bash-2025) or scan the QR code to the right.











And just like that, another extraordinary season of Concerts on the Desert has come to a close. Our final performance on **May 4**, will be nothing short of spectacular, as the Phoenix Brass Collective delivers an unforgettable tribute to the iconic music of Star Wars. With the power and beauty of brass instruments, they bring John Williams' timeless score to life, filling the concert hall with the stirring themes of the beloved saga. From the triumphant "Main Title" to the commanding "Imperial March", their musicianship will captivate the audience and transport us to a galaxy far, far away. Each concert this season has been a testament to the power of music to uplift, connect, and transform, and we are deeply grateful to all who joined us on this journey. To our incredible musicians, dedicated supporters, and passionate audience members—**thank you** for making this season unforgettable. As we look ahead, we eagerly anticipate the music that awaits us next season. Until then, may the echoes of these performances continue to inspire and bring joy. See you next season!

For tickets, visit: [saintbarnabas.org/pbc-star-wars](https://saintbarnabas.org/pbc-star-wars) or scan the QR code below:



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