

THADDEUS SOLOMON BARNABY

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PATRON SAINT OF COCK

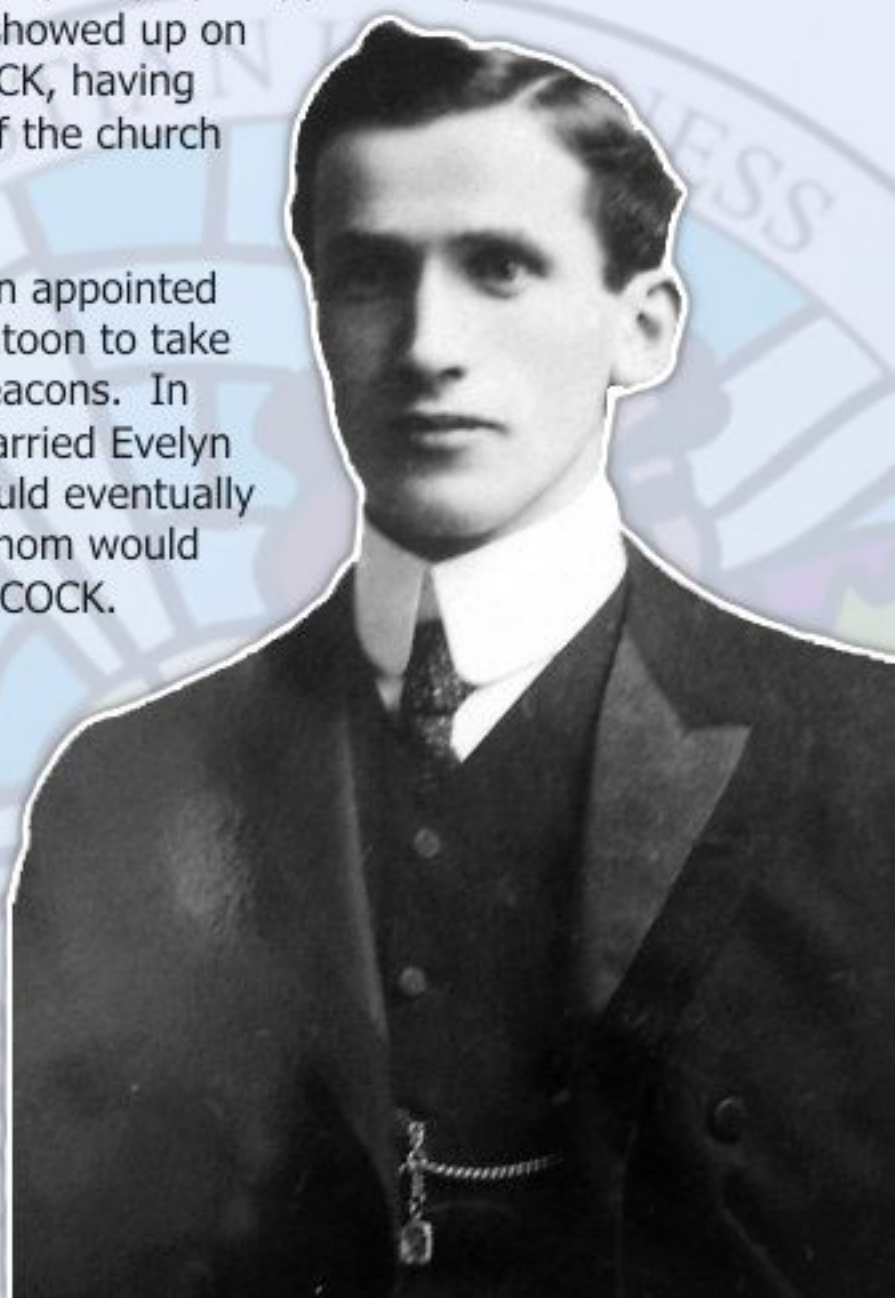
Not much is known about the early life of Thaddeus Solomon Barnaby except that he was born in Michigan in the late 1870s and moved with his family to Canada sometime in 1892.

The first time he shows up in any sort of record is the 1894 Ontario census which lists him as a maple syrup trapper and pitchfork tuner. It was in 1895 that he first showed up on the membership roles of COCK, having joined the Oshawa branch of the church at the time of it's creation.

By 1898, Thaddeus had been appointed Deacon and moved to Saskatoon to take his seat in the Council Of Deacons. In 1900, Thaddeus met and married Evelyn Rotchburns. The couple would eventually have three children, all of whom would one day hold high offices in COCK.

Barnaby was promoted to Pastor in 1909 and left the Coucil Of Deacons for the Grand Assembly of Pastors. By 1914, he was President of the Assembly and highly favoured to be the next Bishop Of COCK, but God had other plans.

Deacon T. S. Barnaby
c. 1900



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Captain Barnaby

At the outbreak of the 1st World War, Thaddeus enlisted as a Chaplain and was immediately sent to France to minister to the needs of the soldiers. In three years at the front line, Captain Barnaby's habit of risking his own life to tend to the wounded and dying in no-mans land would bring international fame to COCK.



Captain Barnaby
February, 1915

THE TSB BUCKET

Thaddeus would frequently venture into no-man's land to tend to the wounded carrying everything he needed in a plain bucket.

When the bucket kept getting stolen, he finally painted his initials on it stopping the thefts. When his body was found after the Battle of Passchendaele his hand was still grasping the handle of his bucket.



Captain Barnaby
September, 1917

Thaddeus Solomon Barnaby's Bucket
COCK Archives, Barnaby Hall



Passchendaele

Captain Barnaby's luck would finally run out on 27 Oct, 1917.

While giving last rights to a dying soldier, Thaddeus was shot and seriously wounded. Dragging himself back towards the Canadian lines, he made it to safety and was being tended to by medics when he realized he had left his bucket behind. Fearing it might be stolen by the Germans and ignoring the protests of the medics, he crawled back into battle. He was found dead the next day, his hand grasping the handle of his trusty bucket.

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Thaddeus Solomon Barnaby's heroism and devotion to LordCo and duty at the cost of his life changed COCK forever. No longer a regional, North American church, COCK began a rapid, worldwide expansion that still continues today. In honour of his contribution to our church, Bishop Colin Forsecs declared Barnaby a Saint in 1943 and instituted Barnaby Week celebrations starting in 1945. In 1968, the newly built headquarters for the Church Of Christian Kindness was officially dedicated as Barnaby Hall by Barnaby's grandson, Pastor Thaddeus Solomon Barnaby III.

To this day, it is customary to pay homage to Saint Barnaby by wearing a bucket on one's head like a helmet and taking commemorative photographs.



Pastor Carl Finley

**Deacon Rajesh
Koothrappali**

Sheldon Cooper

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