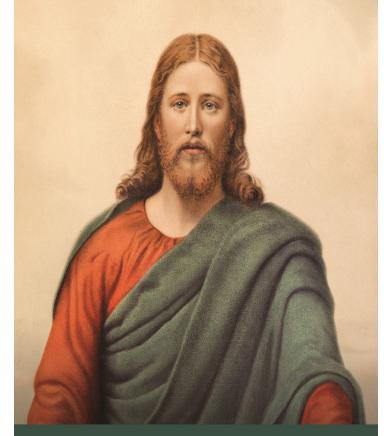
# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you." - Jn 17:1

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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and the universal Church. We will strive to enrich our community spiritually, pastorally and socially, and to be a family of worship and prayer for all.

Rev. Raphael Ezeh, MSP, Pastor Deacon Robert A. Clemens Cheryl Duda, Religious Education Coordinator Erika Podoprigora, Organist and Music Director

Rectory/Parish Office : (914) 965-0566 Religious Education Office: (914) 476-6676

Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday (Vigil); 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Sunday Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. Monday through Friday; 9:00 a.m. Saturday

Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Parish Membership: Every family and single adult to be considered active members of St. Bartholomew's Parish must be properly registered in the parish, receiving and regularly using the parish weekly donation envelopes. Only in this way can the parish issue documents attesting to parish membership and Catholic practice, e.g. a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. New parishioners are requested to visit the parish office.

Sick & Shut-ins: The priests are available to administer the Sacraments to those who are unable to come to Church. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is part of the healing ministry of the Church, and should be received early in an illness or before a serious operation.

Baptisms: Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

Marriages: In order to provide sufficient time for the Marriage Preparation Course, please call the parish office and ask to speak with the pastor at least six months in advance of the wedding.

Parish Council: Meets on the Monday evening after the third Sunday of the month.

Holy Name Society: Meets on the Monday evening after the second Sunday of the month. President, Joseph Chimenti

Rosary Altar Society: Meets on the Monday evening after the first Sunday of the month. President, Liz Mulvaney

Bereavement Ministry: For information call (914) 965-0566, Tina Falcone

Trustees: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

#### BE AWARE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT'S EFFECT ON OUR LIFE

Within the transitional state the disciples had to navigate between following Jesus and leading His church after His



resurrection, they experienced an even briefer transition: from Jesus' Ascension to the coming of the Holy Spirit. In the passage of acts immediately preceding this one, Jesus told His disciples to stay in Jerusalem for in a few days they would receive the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit descends upon them in the following chapter. In between, in this short passage that is today's first reading,

the disciples did two things. They gathered together and they prayed. Though we already have the Holy Spirit's presence within us, every year, we have the opportunity to imagine the state of the disciples during this anticipatory period, gathering together to pray during this ten day period between Ascension and Pentecost.

Before ascending to His Father, Jesus told His disciples that once they received the Holy Spirit they would become His witnesses:

first, to Jerusalem, next, to Judea and Samaria, finally, to the ends of the earth. This mission, for which they had to wait, can be ours at once. We too can move outward, from our home to our community, to our country, to the whole world. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit we can build the kingdom of God anywhere anytime.



Every Sunday for the last six weeks the second reading has been taken from the First Letter of Peter. Though unlikely to have been written by Saint Peter himself, the letter is written like a pastor addressing his faithful sojourners. The writer repeatedly encourages them to conduct themselves with reverence and humility despite persecution. Sharing in the underserved sufferings of Christ is an opportunity to glorify God. God's tender arms, which supported His Son in His time of trial, support us as well.

#### **OUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

How can I emulate the first disciples? Can I endure suffering without fighting back? Can I devote myself to prayer? Can I become aware of the Holy Spirit's effect on my life?

#### **Blessings**

#### Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP



On Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup>, the 10 AM LivestreamMass will be said for the following: (Mass Intentions that were for March 23<sup>rd</sup> through April 5<sup>th</sup>):

David Marinelli, Jr., Gloria Brusco Flanagan, Ann Gaynor, Frank, Carmela & Dina Legio, Betty De Meo, Nicholas Marcello, Arnaldo De Sanctis, Carmen Arzola, Fiorente & Teresa Venturino, Elizabeth & Carl Laredo, Patrick V. Fox, Susie and Vincent Strava & Deceased Members of Strava Family, Pasqua Capuano, Alexandra Plescia, Salome Lopez. Margaret Maccia, Bridget Talty, Michael Talty, Lucille & Carl Rossi, Victoria Argentino, Anthony Giuriceo, and Anna & Anthony Faracco.

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S ETERNAL PEACE



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in loving memory of Gabriel Nanoia by Angela Brusco.

This Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, is Memorial Day, a legal holiday.

On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who Memorial Day, courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus



Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace.

#### Formed.org

There are many wonderful programs, movies and E books available on Formed which you all might enjoy especially during these very difficult times that we are facing.

Our parish has a free subscription to www.formed.org which gives you 24/7 access to over 300 quality Catholic on line programs, 99+ movies, 101+ audios, & 98+ E-Books. To register for this free resource follow these easy steps.

Go to formed.org. Click on "sign up". Click on "I belong to a parish or organization". Start typing name- St. Bartholomew Yonkers (You will see a number of parishes with this name).

Scroll to St. Bartholomew Yonkers NY. Hit next, -create account with your name and email.

After creating your account the next time you want to go on simply type in your web browser formed.org and it will bring you to the website. In the upper right corner you will then see sign in. Click that and you are set to enjoy all the wonderful resources. I would highly suggest during this time you sample some of the movies that they offer. Enjoy!

For those collecting Mission Boxes, please hold them in a safe place. When things return to normal, they will then be collected at Mass.



May God bless all of our 2020 graduates this year. May God's grace uplift their spirits as they plan their future. Though in a different way, may they celebrate their accomplishments and be proud of all they have learned and how they have grown.



esus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one

whom you sent, Jesus Christ."  $- \int n \int 7 dx dx$ Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

#### MASSES, EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, CONFESSIONS AND ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES INCLUDING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER EVERY WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND FROM 8A.M. TO 6 P.M.

ST. BART'S MASSES AND EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ARE LIVE STREAMED

> **Sunday Mass** at 10 a.m. Weekday Masses at 10 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration, Weekdays from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. beginning with the Rosary and ending with the Novena to St. Joseph and Divine Mercy prayer.

IT'S EASY, just go to www.saintbartsparish.org, GO TO THE UPPER RIGHT SIDE AND CLICK ON THE FACEBOOK ICON. This will bring you directly to the page and

wait for the Mass or Adoration to begin. If the video does not come up, **REFRESH THE PAGE.** 

#### ANY CHANGES TO THE ABOVE WILL BE UPDATED VIA ROBO CALL OR ON SAINTBARTHOLOMEWPARISH FACEBOOK PAGE.

### For anyone who is not on Facebook and needs help setting up an account, please contact the Parish Office or Cheryl Duda.

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We have two prayer lists for the Corona Virus. The first list will be for people who currently have the virus and need prayers. The second list will be for those working in the hospitals directly with the Corona Virus patients.

Please send your names to stbartsreled@aol.com and state whether the person is sick with the virus or is a medical person working in the hospital with corona virus





12 noon to 6:00 pm BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, <u>NO WALKINS!</u>

PARISH CENTER.

To schedule an appointment, visit: https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive\_schedule/280910

Bring Photo ID or Donor ID card and FACE COVERING! Eat well, drink plenty of fluids before donating.

NYBC does NOT test for COVID19. Contact your health care provider for that.



www.nybc.org

CALL WITH ANY QUESTIONS TO:

Tony Sciacca, Chairperson, St Bart's Blood Drive

tonscia@aol.com

(h) 914-423-3592

(c) 914-874-4544

What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits to me?

### **TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing. Program. <u>We</u> need your financial support especially at this difficult time.

### PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME, YOU CAN TITHE IN 3 WAYS:

- Mail in your envelope.
- Register for on line giving. <u>IT'S EASY!</u> (see below note).
- Drop off your envelope in the large container covered with a red cloth behind the organ. It is marked with a sign.

May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought and sign up for on line giving. Thank you!

IT'S EASY TO SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING

#### EASY LINK FROM THE PARISH WEBSITE

You can set up separate one time or recurring donations for the different collections (regular weekly, snow removal, Christmas, etc.) or you may wish to begin with the regular collections, try it out and when you are comfortable, you can sign up for the others. Also, know if you set up for recurring donations,



you are in full control and can always change or cancel at any time. And by donating in this manner you may get the added benefit of accumulating additional points or cash on your credit card while at the same time helping out the parish. So, give it a try and sign up today!!!! <u>IT'S</u>

<u>EASY!!!</u> Go to: www.saintbartsparish.org (<u>BE SURE TO SPELL OUT</u> <u>SAINT</u>) and click on the We Share online giving link. Follow the instructions. (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY). If you have any questions or problems, contact the Parish Office and leave a message or e mail us at stbartschurch@aol.com.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary DeSantis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Larry Vandak, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, Larry Mesler, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jerry Esposito, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Rosemarie Bartolomeo, Ann McShane, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy, Dan Panik, and Mary Drohan Barrett.

Please contact the Parish Office and leave a message or e mail us at stbartschurch@aol.com, if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.

#### FOOD PANTRY:



Food is still given out on a limited basis. We can use the basics such as juice, canned chicken or tuna, rice, and mac and cheese.

If you would like to make cash donations, you can do so. We use the cash donations to purchase Shoprite gift cards and have already given out some to a few families. May God

bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.



#### EVEN THOUGH MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED, PLEASE PRAY FOR THE LOVED ONES BELOW AND FOR OUR PARISH, especially during our LIVE STREAM MASSES EACH DAY AT 10 AM.

#### Saturday, May 23 (Anticipated Mass) Joseph Riccardi, Jr. +

5:00 PM Joseph Riccardi, Jr. +

#### Sunday, May 24, 2020 Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM	Constance & Adolf Steffens +
10:00 AM	Gabriel Nanoia +
11:30 AM	Angelo Depolito, Jr, +

5:00 PM Carmen Arzola +

#### Monday, May 25

#### Easter Weekday—Memorial Day

9:00 AM	Dec. Members of Capuano & Lucchetti
	families

#### <sup>26</sup> Tuesday, May 26

Saint Philip	Neri, Priest
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	No Intention

#### Wednesday, May 27

Easter Weekday7:00 AMNo Intention9:00 AMGiovanni & Antonina Cucchiella +

#### Thursday, May 28

Easter Weekday7:00 AMNo Intention9:00 AMPatrick V. Fox +

#### Friday, May 29

Easter Weekday		
7:00 AM	No Intention	
9:00 AM	Theresa Venturino +	

#### Saturday, May 30

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Ciro Telesi +

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#### Saturday, May 30 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Mary De Mattia +

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#### Sunday, May 31, 2020 Pentecost Sunday

8:30 AM	Louis & Phyllis Martelli +
10:00 AM	Benedetto & Antonina Di Chiara +
11:30 AM	For All The People Of Our Parish
5:00 PM	Timothy O'Sullivan +

#### Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.



with steadfast faith. You, Our Lady know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that,

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain,

as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will

and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

#### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (said now at Mass since we cannot receive Jesus sacramentally during these difficult times).

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.



I embrace You as if You were already there and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

#### WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

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