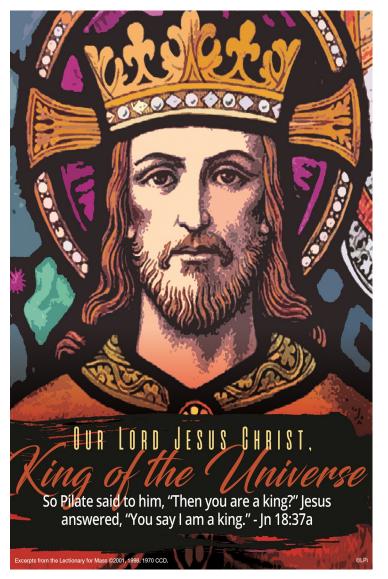
# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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 Rev. Anthony Mbanefo, MSP, Parochial Vicar 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

Sunday Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday;

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, Anthony Martelli

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

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#### JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The Solemnity of Christ the King was established in 1925, in the aftermath of the Great War and the rise of



nationalism, which served to divide people and often cultures. Since nations put their own self-interest above all, conflict naturally arose. Today, nearly one hun-

dred years later, the powers of the world are no closer to a just and lasting peace than they were after any major war. But in Jesus, the king of all Kings, the ruler of a kingdom that is not of this world, we have found that just and lasting peace.

In Revelation we hear that Jesus Christ "has made us into a kingdom" (Revelation

1:6). The kingdom, as Jesus testifies to Pilate, is not of this world, in the sense of belonging to this world. But it is in this world, for we are the kingdom of God. It is, there-



fore, our responsibility, our mission, to build up that kingdom. We are entrusted to this mission by our common priesthood, this identity we received in baptism when we put on Christ. We may be citizens of our country, but we belong to the body of Christ.

Jesus does not answer Pilate's questions directly because he realized a simple answer would be misleading. Both Pilate and the Jewish authorities hold assumptions that do not apply to His kingship. He is not the kind of Messiah the Jewish people were expecting, nor is He the kind of revolutionary who aimed to take political power by force. Jesus is beyond both, with a greater mission and a greater kingdom than either was expecting.

#### QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

In what way is Jesus king in my life? How do I live in this world while living for God's kingdom?

Blessings!! Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP

# PARISH NEWS



**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY:** The ladies of the Rosary Altar Society will join the Holy Name Society at the 8:30 a.m. Mass Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.

The women of the Parish are invited to join the members of the Rosary Altar Society on Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> for their annual Christmas dinner at Fogarty's (at 6:30 p.m.) on Kraft Avenue in Bronxville, NY. The cost is \$25 per person. Reservations are required by Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Please call Josephine at 914 476-5386 or Dolly at 914 969-6575. Payment marked RAS dinner can be



dropped in the collection basket or brought to the Parish Office.



The ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD & WINE, ALTAR CANDLES, and SANCTUARY LAMP have been donated in loving memory of Frank G. Nanoia by Louis and Angela Brusco.





On Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, the Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. All are invited to spare an hour and come to adore Jesus Christ Who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

#### **ADVENT STUDY**

Friday evenings, beginning Friday, November 30th, St. Bart's will offer

a 4 week Advent study. The study will begin promptly at 7 p.m. and last 90 minutes. It is a combination of video, table discussion and prayer. Anyone interested in joining us must pre-register no later than **this Wednesday** by calling the Religious Education Office at 914



476-6676 or by seeing Cheryl Duda for more information.

#### **Our Parish Giving Tree**

In keeping with the true spirit of Christmas, we have the opportunity to share our resources with several charities who serve the disadvantaged, both adults and children (Immaculate



Conception's Needy Families, Richmond Hill, Westchester Living Center, and the Central Committee of Veterans Org.)
Please take an ornament(s) from the tree in the back of the church. It is important that this ornament, indicating gender and gift specific information, be securely

attached to your wrapped package. Please return all wrapped packages to the church, no later than Monday, December 17<sup>h</sup>. Thank you for your continued support in this very special season of giving.

#### **UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

#### **DECEMBER**

Saturday, December 1st, Our Lady Of Guadalupe Celebration,

Mass at 9 a.m. followed by light breakfast and celebration in McManus Parish Center

Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Breakfast with Santa after the 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses in McManus Parish Center.

Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, Mass at 5:30 p.m. in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe followed by FREE dinner in McManus Center.

**Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, Annual Christmas Luncheon**, from 12 Noon to 4 p.m. in McManus Parish Center

Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, at 2 p.m. and Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., The Nativity Play in the Church presented by St. Bart's Parishioners

Monday, December 17th, Reconciliation Monday, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

## THE PRESENTATION OF THE NATIVITY PLAY

Come and see your fellow parishioners perform the Nativity Play

Sunday, December 16th at 2 p.m. and Tuesday, December 18th at 6:30 p.m.



A special thank you to Stew Leonard's, for their donation of turkeys



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to St. Bartholomew's for our annual Thanksgiving baskets given to some of our less fortunate brothers and sisters. Thank you also to the Religious Education Group, the Holy Name Society and to all who donated to our food pantry now and throughout the year.

Many blessings to you all.

#### 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!!!! (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY)

#### LOCAL EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

St. Joseph's Seminary and College, 201 Seminary Avenue, Yonkers, NY; Part time assistant needed; 1 to 2 years University/College experience; Reports to Events Coordinator/Supervisor of Support staff; Education: Associates Degree

Base Pay: Hourly. Send cover letter and resume to dpizzola@dunwoodie.edu.



# TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

Amount Needed Weekly \$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday \$6,458.20
Balance - \$541.80

\*(Envelopes \$4,882.20, Online \$1,576.00)

Amount Needed for Month of November \$28,000.00 Amount Collected Thus Far \$17,929.25

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing program! May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought. Thank you!

It's time to sign up for on line giving with We Share. Please contact the parish office or fill out the information sheet received in the mail.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Marian Fletcher, Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Joseph Mahoney, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Theresa Venturino, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Larry Vandak, Lou De Muro, Harold Sullivan, Clare Yaskovic, Manuel Obalde, Jr., and Bernie Tracey.

### Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.



Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building..

GP Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St\_Barts-Youth.

Our **EDGE GROUP** (**AGES 11-13**) meets the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. **Their next meeting is Sunday, December 9**<sup>th</sup>.

Our CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10) meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building. Their next meeting is Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.



#### Saturday, November 24 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Albert Pragana +

#### Sunday, November 25, 2018 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:30 AM Adolf Steffens +

10:00 AM Maura Cecilia Pereyra + 11:30 AM Anna & Anthony Faracco + 5:00 PM Edward & Donata Vitullo +

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#### Monday, November 26

Weekday

7:00 AM Brian O'Neill + 9:00 AM Frank G. Nanoia +

#### Tuesday, November 27

Weekday

7:00 AM In Thanksgiving For A Special Intention

9:00 AM Robert & Lillian Kurtz +

#### Wednesday, November 28

Weekday

7:00 AM Elaine Grandolfi + 9:00 AM Maria Nguyen +

#### Thursday, November29

Weekday

7:00 AM Pasquale & Roberto Capuano +

10:00 AM Anthony Prunella, Jr. +

# Friday, November 30 Saint Andrew, Apostle

7:00 AM Cuong +

9:00 AM Joseph Mahoney +

#### Saturday, December 1

Weekday

9:00 AM Edythe Lutomski +

#### Saturday, December 1 (Anticipated Mass)

#### Sunday, December 2, 2018 First Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM Oscar Starkenberg +
10:00 AM Joseph Prior +
11:30 AM Patrick Castaldo+
5:00 PM Isadore Heit +

#### WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

Our warmest welcome to our visitors! We are glad you came to celebrate the Eucharist with us today. We thank God for you! Do not hesitate to let us know how we may serve you.

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information call the Parish Office at (914) 965-0566.

If you have not registered or need to correct some of the information in our file, please fill out Registration Form found on the table at the rear of the Church; and drop the completed form into the collection basket or drop

off/mail it to the Rectory. Thank you!

Name:	 	 
Address:		
City/Zip:		
Telephone:		
Comment:	 	 

#### ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE, NOVEMBER 30TH, FEAST DAY

Andrew was Saint Peter's brother and was called with him. "As [Jesus] was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is now called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, 'Come



after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once, they left their nets and followed Him" (Matthew 4:18-20).

John the Evangelist presents Andrew as a disciple of John the Baptist. When Jesus walked by one day, John said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." Andrew and another disciple followed Jesus. "Jesus turned and saw them following Him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means

Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and you will see.' So they went and saw where He was staying and they stayed with Him that day" (John 1:38-39a).

Little else is said about Andrew in the Gospels. Before the multiplication of the loaves, it was Andrew who spoke up about the boy who had the barley loaves and fishes (see John 6:8-9).

When the Gentiles went to see Jesus, they came to Philip, but Philip then had recourse to Andrew (see John 12:20-22).

Legend has it that Andrew preached the Good News in what is now modern Greece and Turkey and was crucified at Patras.

From Saint of the Day