# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

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. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate Pastor Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Office Manager 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);

9:30, **11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass)** and 5 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 4:30 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: Thomas Hoffman, Tina Falcone

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#### RECONCILE WITH OTHERS

God has given Ezekiel a truly thankless job. If the people of Isra-



el sin and he does not speak out to dissuade them for their sinfulness, he will be punished along with the sinners. What's left unsaid here is that the way God tells the sinners of their sinfulness is through prophets like Ezekiel. So Ezekiel first has to convince the people of their sinfulness, then he has to persuade them to change. John the Baptist plays a similar role several centuries later. Now it is our calling. We are called to kindly and respectfully counsel the sinner, encouraging them

to change. We are also called to listen to the counsel of others when it is we who need to change.

Jesus tells His disciples that if their loved one will not listen to them in private, "take one or two others along with you" (Matthew18:16). Sounds like what we would call intervention. The idea is similar: bring together friends or family members who care dearly about the person so they can try to persuade them to get help to change their ways. We address the sinner as we would a person with an addiction: with the understanding that their destructive behavior can cloud their judgment and that those who love them want them to get better.

Matthew writes that Jesus told His disciples that if a sinner will

not listen to anyone and will not change the offending behavior, that they should "treat him (or her) as you would a Gentile or a tax collector" (18:17). Initially, this sounds like Jesus is encouraging the disciples to ostracize stubborn sinners. But let's consider how Jesus treated Gentiles and tax collectors. He spent time with



them, He responded to their needs, He healed them, He cared for them, He even called them to be His disciples. The disciple who wrote down these words was a tax collector! No matter how the disciples may have interpreted Jesus' words at the time, it became apparent after further reflection that Jesus was not calling them to be dismissive of these sinners, but to reconcile with them.

#### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

With whom do I need to reconcile? How can I go about it fruitfully?

**Blessings** 

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP

#### Blessing for the Fallen of 9-11

God of mercy, in your word of Scripture, you instruct us to "Do to others as you would have them do to you."



Give us today the courage to assist those around us who may need our assistance. Give us patience when we become impatient.

Remind us to pray for all those who perished on United Airlines 93, American

Airlines 11, United Airlines 175, American Airlines 77, and those in the Twin Towers and Pentagon.

Give us a heart thankful for those who gave their lives as first responders, as did the men and women who ran into danger to be of aid.

We ask all this in the name of the One who first responded to our need for a savior,

Jesus the Christ. Amen.

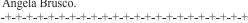
# PARISH NEWS

THE HOURS FOR THE PARISH OFFICE ARE AS FOLLOWS: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10

AM to 2 PM. The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday and Thursday.



THE ALTAR FLOWERS AND THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE are donated in loving memory of Frances Nanoia by Angela Brusco.





**THE ALTAR CANDLES AND ALTAR SANCTUARY LAMP** are lit in loving memory of Frances Nanoia by Angela Brusco.

**FOOD PANTRY**: The food pantry can use rice, pasta, pasta sauces, tuna, dried beans, canned beans, macaroni and cheese and juices. **May God bless you all for your generosity.** 



It's time to register for next year's Religious Education classes.

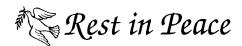


Classes will begin on Tuesday September 12<sup>th</sup>. Children who will be entering first grade this September or are currently in grade school or high school are eligible to enroll. Current students should submit the reregistration forms while those not yet in

the program should call Cheryl Duda in the Religious Education Office. Her number is on the front of the bulletin.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation** (popularly known as RCIA) is the process designed by the Church for adults to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. Please contact Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676 if you or somebody you know might be interested in the program.





We pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Helen Kucirka.



Lord God almighty, bless our grandparents and our elderly with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grandchildren. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S HAS CHANGED AND IS AS FOLLOWS:

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
7 AM AND 9 AM
SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM
SUNDAY MASSES
9:30 AM, 11:00 AM,
12:30 PM (SPANISH) & 5 PM

CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM

Seniors Movie Thursday, Thursday, September 21<sup>ST</sup> at 10 am "Gianna Molla"

# EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS The Blessing of the Community

I have been blessed to be a member of my parish community for 28 years. For much of that time I was serving as a member of the parish staff, but it was still the community that I call home. I have been fortunate to be able to remain in that parish even as my life has encountered new chapters and callings. I am so grateful to God that I have been able to grow, be nourished, and find companionship in a parish for this long of a time.

It is a natural tendency for human beings to desire belonging to something bigger than themselves. Not everyone is fortunate enough to find the community, big or small, that fulfills that need. Unfortunately, that means that many communities suffer from not having the benefit of the gifts, skills, and talents that any member can offer. Communities are in many ways living organisms that move and breathe based upon the individuals who form that body. A community is truly the sum of its parts.

Your parish community reflects you and everyone else in that community. The more each member gives to the community, the stronger that community finds itself. If you hold back, your community suffers, and you gain little. I know firsthand what being a part of a community can mean to a person. I would be no one at all – and you would not be reading this – if it weren't for the life I have had in my parish community.

- Tracy Earl Welliver LPI

Patriot Day Heavenly Father, Creator of All, You have created the human person as good. You have placed us in the world as one human family, as sisters and brothers. We pray today for all victims of violence across the world, for the healing of their mind and body, for their mourning family members, for the repose of their souls. Jesus, You have told us to love our enemies, and to pray for those who persecute us. Give us the strength and courage to forgive. Remove all lingering desire for revenge. Holy Spirit, reveal to us the mercy of God. Give us the gift of Your peace that surpasses all understanding. Amen.



#### TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING SUNDAY COLLECTION

August 27<sup>TH</sup>

 Sunday collection:
 \$2,852.00

 On Line giving:
 \$1,850.00

 Total:
 \$4,702.00

### 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!!!! IT'S EASY!!! Go to: www.saintbartsparish.org (BE SURE TO SPELL OUT SAINT) 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, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Ann McShane, Ellen Chimenti, Gianna Whitehead, Dan Panik, Dominick Francis Marra, Edward Minozzi, Robert Minnucci, Lucia Sevivas, Josephine Giabattista, Loni Shost, Ken Shost, Emil Kurak, John & Patricia Quirk, Lucille McGeough, Baby Joseph Anthony Coddington, Tony Sciacca, Megan Weingarten, Richard Gritta, Luz Maria Izurieta, Joan Manno, Ana Herrera, Edna McShane, Faust Venturino, Patricia Nieman, Richard Romanowski and Salvador Aviles.

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.



#### **Saturday, September 9 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Andrew Tacyn +

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#### Sunday, September 10 Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name and

Rosary Altar Societies Oscar Starkenberg + Piedad Corral +

11:00 AM Joseph T. Pasqualoni III + &

Lucille & Samuel Garafola +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish 5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

#### Monday, September 11

Weekday

7:00 AM Fallen Members of the NYPD +

9.00 AM Frances Nanoia +

#### Tuesday, September 12

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention 9:00 AM Special Intention

#### Wednesday, September 13

#### Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

#### Thursday, September 14

#### The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM William Marsden (Living)

#### Friday, September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Antoinette & John Izzo. +

#### Saturday, September 16

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#### Saints Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Kurz Family

(Edyth, Leonard, & Herbert)

#### Saturday, September 16 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Pragana Family

#### Sunday, September 17 Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 AM	Deceased	Members o	f the '	Terrusa	Family
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11:00 AM John McArdle +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

5:00 PM Deacon Robert Clemens +

#### September 10, 2023

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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registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor

issue documents attesting to Catholic practice of the faith and Parish membership, e.g. a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. For further 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 this form and check (X) the appropriate box below, or you may also use the 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 Parish Office. Thank you!

Name:	
Address:	
City/Zip:	
Telephone:	
Comment:	
☐ I am interested in parish membership. ☐ I am a visitor. ☐ Change of Address / Telephone Number. ☐ I am moving out of the Parish. ☐ I am going to the hospital. ☐ I would like to be visited by a priest / minister. ☐ Please send me the Catholic New York.	

#### WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

TRIUMPH of THE CROSS



