# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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# 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." - Lk 12:50-52

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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. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate Pastor Deacon Robert A. Clemens Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Administrative Assistant 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 and 11:30 a.m. 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

# SPEAK UP FOR RIGHTFUL THINGS

Just last week we heard how important faith is in leading us to trust in God. The author of Hebrews gave Abraham as



an example. When God told Abraham that he and Sarah would have descendants as numerous as the stars, Abraham must have though it unbelievable. Sarah was past childbearing age and they had no children. But he trusted in the Lord, as he did later when asked to sacrifice their only son, Isaac. He could not understand, but he believed because he trusted. When we hear Jesus say that he has come to set the earth

ablaze, setting parent against child and dividing households against each other; we find it very difficult to understand or to accept. But in the end we trust in the Lord because we believe in Him. We accept that sometimes we just can't understand the reason why.

We have an advantage that the disciples did not have at this time. We know that after the Resurrection the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples in what

was depicted as multiple tongues of flame. We know that the Holy Spirit aided the disciples in carrying out their mission, preaching repentance for the forgiveness of sins and making disciples of all nations. We can imagine that the wisdom and fortitude they received allowed them to confront sin and evil and that the purifying fire could cauterize the



wound they produced, allowing healing and reconciliation to begin. In baptism, we have received the Holy Spirit as well, enabling us to carry on in Jesus' mission.

The voice of Hebrews can give us reassurance in running the race that sees us confronting sin and evil, perhaps causing division among others. Jesus endured persecution to the point of losing His life, but God watched over Him and raised Him to new life. His example allows us to avoid growing weary or losing heart, despite the trauma and hardships we may endure.

# **QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

Can I feel the fire within that leads me to speak out and speak up despite the consequences?

# **Blessings**

# Father Raphael



The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Monday, August 15th. It is a holy day of obligation. Masses are as follows: Monday 7 am, 9 am and 7 pm.



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 SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S IS AS FOLLOWS: MASSES MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7 AM AND 9 AM SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM SUNDAY MASSES 9:30 AM.11:30 AM & 5 PM \*\*\*\*CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM\*\*\*\*

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



Classes will begin in September. Children who will be entering first **LOLOUS** grade this September or are currently in grade school or high school are eligible Current students should submit the re-registration forms this week 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. Adults wishing to inquire or wishing to make their 1st about becoming Catholic Communion or Confirmation should also contact Cheryl at this time.

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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.



St. Bart's will be walking door to door through the parish area to hang doorknob holders on people's doors on

Monday August 29<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Tuesday August 30<sup>th</sup>. We will leave St Bart's parking lot at around 6pm. We go as a group and last time we had over 30 parishioners joining the effort and were able to hang 2000 doorknob advertisements in under two hours. This



is the major way we are able to grow our parish and cannot do it without the help of a large team. Please sign up at the back table if you can help walk with us on those dates or call the Parish Office. Teens are welcome and encouraged to join us.

# EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### A Steward's Growing Pains

Have you ever written a check or seen the charge on the credit card machine that had far too many zeros on it for your comfort?

The brakes finally give up on the car you were hoping to nurse through the season. The water heater dies on the coldest week of the year. A medical procedure wasn't totally covered by insurance. We've all been here in this place, being asked to part with a not-so-small sum of money for a not-so-fun reason.

It's a little easier to bear when you're forking over dollar signs for a fun vacation or even a worthy cause like your child's education. But when it's something you weren't expecting, something negative, that uneasiness in the pit of your stomach can quickly become despair.

The next time this happens to you, embrace it. Celebrate it. Wrap your arms around it and welcome it as a growing pain.

We are often asked, in life, to give more than we wish. Our loved ones demand greater patience than we think we have. Our prayer life is stalling, and we feel God isn't holding up His end of the communication bargain. The daily grind seems to be grinding *us* down. We feel that uneasiness in the pit of our stomach, just as we do when we part with money we thought belonged solely to us.

That place of uncertainty propels us in life, in stewardship, in relationship. All forward motion comes from that feeling. Put out your hands and let yourself be thrust into the pit — He will stoop to take you out from the mud. Spread your arms on your cross — joy is waiting for you.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI

# Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers Meeting

Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization that helps to meet the needs of its membership. We meet on the third Thursday of the month at St. Ann's Church in Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, at **1:00pm**. Our next meeting will be hel **August 18<sup>th</sup>**. For more information, please call 914.423.5331 or email . New members are welcome.

# Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers Communion Breakfast

On **Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**, Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will hold their 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Communion Breakfast. We will be attending the 11:30am Mass at Christ the King Church, 740 North Broadway, Yonkers at 11:30am. Luncheon immediately following the Mass at San Martino Ristorante, 12 Young Ave, Yonkers. Cost: \$27 cash, payable at the luncheon, reservations required - call 914-968-0614 or 914-965-6278. Bring a friend. Guests are welcome.



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

# SUNDAY COLLECTION

July 31st	
Sunday collection:	\$2,139.00
On Line giving:	\$ 950.00
Total:	\$3,089.00

#### IT'S EASY TO SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING EASY LINK FROM THE PARISH WEBSITE

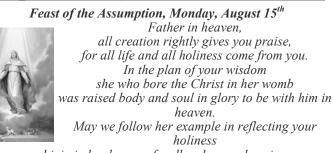
You can set up separate one time or recurring donations for the different collections (regular weekly, snow removal, Christmas, etc.) or you may wish to begin with the regular collections, try it out and when you are comfortable, you can sign up for the others. Also, know if you set up for recurring donation s, 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 EASY!!!</u> Go to: www.saintbartsparish.org (<u>BE SURE TO SPELL OUT 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, 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, Theresa Chappory, 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, and Richard Gritta.

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.



and join in her hymns of endless love and praise. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen August 14, 2022



# Saturday, August 13 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Andrew Tacyn +

#### Sunday, August 14, 2022 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 9:30 AM Capuano Grandchildren (Living) Leslie De Brocky & Margaret McGuirk + 11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Legio Family
- 5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

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# Monday, August 15

# The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	Michael De Martino +
7:00 PM	No Intention

# **Tuesday, August 16**

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	For All The Souls In Purgatory

#### Wednesday, August 17

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	Charles Sweeney +

# Thursday, August 18

Weekday7:00 AMNo Intention9:00 AMNo Intention

#### Friday, August 19

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	No Intention

## Saturday, August 20

Saint Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM Marie Giuriceo +

Saturday, August 20 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Delia & John Tighe +

# Sunday, August 21, 2022 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM	Robert Liddell +
11:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Sorensen Family

5:00 PM Eugene Ubawike, Sr, +

# August 14, 2022

**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:

- $\Box$  I am interested in parish membership.
- $\Box$  I am a visitor.
- $\hfill\square$  Change of Address / Telephone Number.
- $\Box$  I am moving out of the Parish.
- $\Box$  I am going to the hospital.
- $\Box$  I would like to be visited by a priest / minister.
- $\Box$  Please send me the Catholic New York.

# WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

