

Saint Bartholomew's Church

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



They set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" - Lk 24:33-34

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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 Ezech, 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

DO WE RECOGNIZE THE LORD IN OUR MIDST?

How would this Gospel passage have ended had the two disciples not invited the stranger to come and stay? If the disciples had said goodbye and wished him a good trip instead of inviting Him to come and stay with them, would they have ever realized who He was? It might never have dawned on them. Perhaps we have encountered Christ in a stranger as well, but just never noticed because we didn't take that extra step.



The two disciples from Emmaus enjoyed the company of the stranger enough to invite Him to stay with them, but it was not until the stranger broke bread with them that they recognized Him. Only then did they realize that their hearts had been burning within them as they'd listened to Him open God's word to them. Sometimes recognition only comes in retrospect. We don't always realize the significance of an encounter with someone unexpected in the moment. Only later do we realize how special it was.



When Jesus first encountered His disciples from Emmaus, He opened the scriptures to them, explaining and interpreting the word of God. Then he dined with them, breaking bread and offering it to them to eat. Right now, today, Jesus offers us the same opportunities. Here we gather together with Jesus' fellow disciples and hear the word of God: readings from the Gospel that can illuminate the reading from the Old Testament, and readings from the New Testament that can help us answer the call to discipleship. Then Jesus invites us to break bread together, bread that has become His Body, broken and shared with us all to consume and to become.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Luke says that at first the disciples' "eyes were prevented from recognizing Him" (24:16). What prevents me from recognizing the Lord in our midst?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP

Please pray for our children who will be receiving their First Communion NEXT Saturday, April 29th at a special 1 p.m. Mass

COMMUNION PRAYER

Dear God, I know that You give me many gifts.
 The gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ in Holy Communion is the greatest of all. How can I ever thank You enough for this special gift?
 At Mass we are called to be like Jesus, by loving and serving one another in the world.
 As I become more like Him, please continue to help me.
 Show me the places and ways that I can bring Your love, kindness, and peace to others. in my family, in my neighborhood, in my community, and with my friends.
 I ask this in Jesus' name. 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** that will be in the sanctuary for this Saturday are donated by the **First Communion Class** in honor and memory of their living and deceased family members and friends.

Meals for a Soup Kitchen: The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans will be collected **FOR MAY** on **Saturday, May 6th one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass** and on **Sunday May 7th, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.**



Trays will be available for those who wish to donate food beginning **NEXT Saturday and Sunday, April 29th and 30th.**

FOOD PANTRY: *The food pantry can use cereal, pasta, and juices. May God bless you all for your generosity.*



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.

The 2023 Mass book still has Masses available. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in our life, the graces associated with having a Mass offered on their behalf. You may have a thanksgiving Mass offered for your loved one or yourself on such occasions as birthdays, wedding anniversaries, etc. Also you may consider offering the Altar Flowers (\$100; or \$125 for roses), Altar Bread and Wine (\$30), Altar Candles (\$10) or the Sanctuary Lamp (\$10) for your intention. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MASS BOOK FOR 2024 IS OPEN. BOOK YOUR 2024 MASSES AT THE PARISH OFFICE ON MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, OR FRIDAY FROM 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.**



Mother's Day Novena Masses:

Sunday, May 14th is Mother's Day. Our Parish will have a Novena of Masses for all our mothers— living and deceased. The Novena of Masses will begin on Sunday, May 14th, and will finish on Monday, May 22nd.



There are cards and envelopes at the back of the church. If you want your mother, mother-in-law, or any mother remembered in the Novena of Masses, please fill out the envelope with your donation and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish office during the week on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 10 am to 2 pm.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S HAS CHANGED AND 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, 11:00 AM,
12:30 PM (SPANISH) & 5 PM
****CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM
4 TO 4:30 PM****

St. Bart's and New York Blood Center express sincere appreciation to the 38 donors who came down to the 104th Blood Drive on 4/14/23 to donate 33 pints. Since 1981, St Bart's blood drives have collected 7781 units of blood.



Once again, NYBC can depend on St. Bart's friends and parishioners to understand the need for blood, particularly during critical times of shortage.

5 donors were deferred for various reasons. There were 4 new donors and 10 walk-ins. 12 prospective donors had signed up but were not able to attend.

These 12 prospective donors and anyone else who is interested can make an appointment to donate at their convenience by going to the web site:

<https://nybc.org>

Then select SCHEDULE NOW; Enter Zip Code; SEARCH or calling NYBC at 800-933-2566.

If you wish, ask to credit your donation to St. Bart's group # 07747.

We are not able to plan our next drive until we have definitive information on when the leaking roof of the gym will be repaired.

Once again, thanks to all!

Anthony Sciacca, Chairperson

The Capuchin Franciscan Friars and the Women Of The Waters present the Women's Retreat: The Parables – Treasures Jesus gifted us! May 6 @ 9:00 am - 5:00 pm at St. Lawrence Retreat Center, 180 Sargent Ave, Beacon, NY 12508. The parables of Jesus made the wisdom of God accessible. His teaching wasn't pretentious or unnecessarily complicated. Because of that, Jesus made the kingdom of God attainable for everyone. Join us for this day retreat and learn more about these abundant treasures Jesus gifted us! Registration fee includes the program, prayer services, continental breakfast, lunch, and Vigil Mass. Registration ends on April 28, 2023; register online at: <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/capuchinyfm/event/860902/>. For more info, visit <https://www.capuchin.org/cvfm/retreats/> or call (845) 424-3609.

The Vatican International Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles is being held at the Marian Shrine, located at 174 Filors Lane, Stony Point, NY 10980 in Fr. Tae-Seok John Lee Hall from May 4th through May 9th, 2023. The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit was created by Blessed Carlo Acutis and contains an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions on 187 panels of many of the Eucharist miracles that took place throughout the world, and which have been recognized by the Church. The facilities at the Marian Shrine are handicapped accessible and there is no cost to attend this event. Please visit the Marian Shrine website at: www.marianshrine.org - EVENTS - to check the exhibit opening times.

† STEWARDSHIP †

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 9th

Sunday collection: \$4,693.00
On Line giving: \$1,435.00
Total: \$6,128.00

THE EASTER COLLECTION WILL BE REPORTED IN NEXT WEEKEND'S BULLETIN.

**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, 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, Richard Gritta, Luz Maria Izurieta, Joan Manno, Ana Herrera, Edna McShane, Faust Venturino, Patricia Nieman and Richard Romanowski.

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.

THANK YOU

The Easter Paschal Candle was donated in loving memory of Theresa Pisacreta by Geraldine Pisacreta.

April 23, 2023

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, April 22 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Maria Koehler +

**Sunday, April 23, 2023
Third Sunday of Easter**

9:30 AM Fiorente & Teresa Venturino +
Robert Liddell +

11:00 AM Steven Fitzpatrick +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish
(Spanish Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

Monday, April 24

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Arduster "Jack" and Mittie Ann Rice +

Tuesday, April 25

Saint Mark, Evangelist

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Carole Romanowski & Marie Porcello
(Living)

Wednesday, April 26

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Josephine & Barney Scardino +

Thursday, April 27

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Anthony Nguyen (Living)

Friday, April 28

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Special Intention

9:00 AM Tiffany Nguyen (Living)

Saturday, April 29

**Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the
Church**

9:00 AM Bruno Aloia +

Saturday, April 29 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Joan Masella +

**Sunday, April 30, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Legio Family
Elizabeth Liga +

11:00 AM Carole Ferraro +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish
(Spanish Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

April 23, 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

3RD SUNDAY IN EASTER

