

Saint Bartholomew's Church

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HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY!

MARY IS
THE MOTHER
WHO WATCHES
OVER US,
HER CHILDREN,
ON OUR
JOURNEY
THROUGH LIFE,
OFTEN WEARY
AND IN NEED,
ANXIOUS THAT
THE LIGHT OF
HOPE NOT FAIL.

CHRISTUS VIVIT, NO. 48



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

HOW CAN I RESPECT THOSE WHO DISRESPECT ME?

In the name of Jesus, Philip drove out demons and cured those who were disabled. In that time, possession by the devil and physical infirmity were considered to be manifestations of sin. (Recall that Jesus' disciples asked Him whether it was the blind man's sin or His parents' sin that caused his blindness, assuming it must be the sin of one of them). When Philip healed people in Christ's name, it was thus a physical sign of God's forgiveness. The healing of so many was a sign of a new age, an age when forgiveness and healing flowed like water. No wonder "there was great joy in that city" (Acts 8:8)!

In his first letter, Peter speaks particularly to those who are suffering. Christians were persecuted in that era, so he had to know that his letter would find plenty of people who were suffering. He asks those who are questioned about their faith to treat the questioners gently and reverently. After all, they are children of God as well. "Suffer for doing good," he counseled, as Jesus had (1 Peter 3:17). Despite our suffering, God calls us to love those who malign us as God loves them. And who knows? If we respond to our opponents with grace and without vitriol, we may disarm them and find a glimmer of goodness within them.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments," Jesus told His disciples (John 14:15). Taken one way, it may seem quite demanding, but it was really the equivalent of saying, "If you love me, you will want to keep my commandments." Think about someone you love dearly - your spouse, your significant other, your parent, your child. Do you not want to do what they ask? You want to please them, you want to bring them joy. Assuming that they are sincere and not demanding or unreasonable, you want to do what they ask. Submission to someone else's will is a consequence of love. Love of God brings us a desire to do God's will, to do what God asks us.



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How can I respond with grace and respect to someone who maligns me or strongly disagrees with me? Can I imagine my response defusing the disagreement?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP



Dear Lord, Bless every mother and every grandmother with the finest of your spiritual blessings today. Confirm in her heart and spirit the work of her hands and the love that she has so freely given to those children under Your care.

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.



May God bless all the mothers of our Parish on this very special day!. In this month of May, set aside for a special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Mother; we ask for her intercession and protection for all our Mothers. We also pray for our deceased Mothers, that they may rest in peace.

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are donated and the **ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP** are lit in loving memory of Frances Nanoia and Angelina Brusco by Angela Brusco.



The **ALTAR BREAD AND WINE** are donated in loving memory of Margaret T. Maccia by John and Karen McKenna.

FOOD PANTRY: *The food pantry can use pasta, pasta sauces, 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 in September. 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 re-registration 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. Adults wishing to inquire about becoming Catholic or wishing to make their 1st Communion or Confirmation should also contact Cheryl at this time.



The Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass is on Sunday, June 4, 2023 at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. His Eminence Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan, is the Celebrant. The Golden Mass is for couples celebrating 50 years of marriage during 2023.



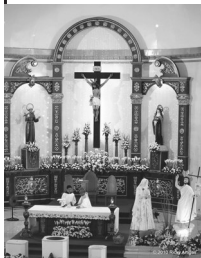
All those in the parish celebrating 50 years of marriage, please contact the parish office for more details. Registration will close on **THIS Monday, May 15th**.

MEMORIAL MASS

There will be a Memorial Mass here at St. Bartholomew's Church on Saturday, May 20th at 10 am for those who would like to attend, for Fay Tirone, a long time St. Bart's parishioner and member of the Rosary Altar Society.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS **Calculating Love**

Have you ever Googled the word "love"? If you did, you may have come across something called the Love Calculator. It is a website where you can supply two names, and the percentage chance of a successful relationship is calculated. Curious, I entered my name and my wife's. Twenty percent! I hope my wife doesn't read this!

I then decided to add my name and God. A whopping thirteen percent! Then for the last attempt, I put in my name and Jesus. A very disappointing zero percent! Am I that unlovable? Of course, then I read the small print at the bottom of the page: "Please note that this site has no serious intention whatsoever." Shocking!

The truth is, the modern world increasingly seems to have no real idea what love is or how to determine when love is real. That makes the seemingly simple words of Jesus about loving God and your neighbor very complex indeed. How can you love God with all your heart, soul, and mind when you have no idea what the act of loving means? And then, what constitutes loving a neighbor? To make it more complicated, Jesus commands you to love them like you love yourself. I bet you can agree with me that there are a lot of people out there who do not even come close to loving themselves. Knowing what love is in modern times is just not that easy. How is a well-meaning person able to find out the true meaning of love?

You don't know what true love is? I think you do. Turn your eyes to that crucifix hanging in your church, home, or office. The answer was given over 2,000 years ago, and the image remains for the entire world to see.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS lpi

Please pray for our children who will make their Confirmation this Friday, May 19th. May the Holy Spirit guide them and their families!!

Holy Spirit of light and love, You are the substantial love of the Father and the Son; hear my prayer. Bounteous bestower of most precious gifts, grant me a strong and living faith which makes me accept all revealed truths and shape my conduct in accord with them. Give me a most confident hope in all divine promises which prompts me to abandon myself unreservedly to You and Your guidance. Infuse into me a



love of perfect goodwill, and act according to God's least desires. Make me love not only my friends but my enemies as well, in imitation of Jesus Christ who through you offered himself on the Cross for all people. Holy Spirit, animate, inspire, and guide me, and help me to be always a true follower of You. Amen.

† STEWARDSHIP †

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 30th

Sunday collection: \$2,313.00

On Line giving: \$2,050.00

Total: \$4,363.00

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.



**LORD
give strength
to your people**

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.

Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will hold their next meeting on **THIS Thursday, May 18th**, at St. Ann's Church in Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, at **12:30pm**. Please be prompt. There will be a guest speaker on Bereavement present. Members and guests are welcome. For more information, please call 914 423-5331 or email CatholicWVofYonkers@gmail.com.

May 14, 2023

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, May 13 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Sandra De Santis +

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name &
Rosary Altar Societies
Margaret T. Maccia +

11:00 AM Frances Nanoia & Angelina Brusco +
Novena for Our Living & Deceased Mothers

12:30 PM Eleanora Caballero-Cortes +
(Spanish Mass)

5:00 PM Charity Ubawike +

Monday, May 15

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena for Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM Ralph Capuano +

Tuesday, May 16

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena for Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM Michael J. Cardamone +

Wednesday, May 17

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena for Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM Andrew Perretti +

Thursday, May 18

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

7:00 AM Novena for Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM No Intention

7:00 PM No Intention

Friday, May 19

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena for Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM In Thanksgiving for Maria Ferreira's
Intentions (Living)

Saturday, May 20

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Novena for Our Living & Deceased Mothers

Saturday, May 20 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM In Honor of St. Rita & The Holy Trinity

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Monsignor Robert Diachek &
Brother Gregory Lucrezia +

11:00 AM Novena for Our Living & Deceased Mothers

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

5:00 PM Kenneth Perrington +

May 14, 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

