# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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ORDINARY TIME [Jesus] answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." - Lk 9:60 the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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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#### **OUR COMMITMENT TO JESUS**

To leave everything behind when you set a new course for vour life is a dramatic break. Not only to leave it all behind, but to destroy it so that there's no going back, makes the break even more dramatic. But to leave it behind and



destroy it, and in destroying it immediately perform the kind of action that put into practice the mission that determines the rest of your life—that is the most dramatic turnaround possible. This is what Elisha

does. He sacrifices his plow and oxen to provide food, not for his family as before, but for the entire people. Elisha has turned immediately to serving "his people," and using whatever hehas at hand to do so.

"The Son of Man has no where His to rest head" (Luke9:58). This is very true. He was born in a stable, his parents unable to find a room in an inn. He began His public ministry in His hometown synagogue, only to be driven out of town by an



angry mob. He spent the next three years journeying through Galilee and Judea as He preached and gathered disciples. He spent the day before He was put to death in a borrowed room in Jerusalem. Making His true home in any one place was never part of His mission. Instead, His home, is in each of us, most notably when we gather together in His name and celebrate the Eucharist.

#### QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What commitment have I made that was the most transformative? How can my commitment to my faith be more complete?

Jesus' disciples have left their homes as well. In signing on to Jesus' mission, they have left their families, jobs, and hometowns. They don't look back either; we never hear of any of them taking a week or two off to return home to attend to unfinished business. Their commitment is complete.

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP

#### A Prayer to St. Thomas the Apostle, for Faith

Almighty and ever living God, who did strengthen thy apostle Thomas with sure and certain faith in thy Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in thy sight; through Him who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

# PARISH NEWS



Wishing you a happy, safe Fourth of July and a summer filled with good times, good friends, and good health of mind, body and spirit. The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, July 4th. There will only one Mass on Thursday at 9 a.m.



The ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in loving memory Patrick V. Fox by the (Grace) Raguso Family.



#### FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:



Register now for next year's Religious Education Religious program. Children in public school who will be Education entering First Grade through High School in September are eligible for these classes. Evening classes are available to accommodate the children

of working parents. Please call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 for more information.

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.



#### SPECIAL THANK YOU.



A special thank you to all who donated, volunteered and purchased items at our Tag Sale last Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. It was a huge success!!

#### **CONGRATULATIONS:**

To the following new altar servers: Szion Bendana, Joshua Perlado, Paola Corbo and Angely Rivas Thank you also to their parents who support these children by bringing them to rehearsals and for service.



#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

St Bart's will be conducting their 93<sup>rd</sup> blood drive in the 38



years since starting in 1981 on Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, at the McManus Parish Center from 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. St Bart's parishioners and friends have made 6980 donations to date. We are traditionally asked to run drives during holiday periods when the need for blood is great and the donations are

usually down. Your support is just one of many things that make St. Bart's special. We are also looking for volunteers to help out for two hours on drive day. If you can donate or volunteer, please call Tony Sciacca @ 423-3592 for an appointment and tell your family and friends too.

#### PARISH EVENTS

**FRIDAY, JULY 5**<sup>TH</sup>, BLOOD DRIVE, 1:30-7:30 P.M.

FRIDAY, JULY  $19^{TH}$  -JULY  $21^{ST}$ , YOUTH RETREAT, STEUBENVILLE





SATURDAY, AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>, BLOCK PARTY, CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST DAY OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW

### Calling all Seniors! Calling all Seniors! JOIN FELLOW SENIORS ON THURSDAY JULY 11TH NOT THURSDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> DUE TO THE HOLIDAY)

Schlors for the 9 a.m. Mass with a Special Blessing followed by light refreshments and gathering at McManus Parish Center.

ADORATION & HOLY HOUR: This Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, is First Friday. We will have First Friday Adoration beginning at 9:30 a.m. and ending at 7 p.m. with a Holy Hour at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, is First Saturday. The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. All are invited to spend an hour to come and adore Jesus Christ Who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist.



THE FOOD PANTRY is in need of tuna, juices, canned fruit and coffee. Thank you for your support.

Our YOUTH GROUP meets on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. Their next meeting is this Sunday, June 30th. 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.

Our CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10) meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building.

# A Special Thanks



A special thanks to Kelly Foley, Pat Nieman, and Barbara Troutman and all who volunteered and helped to make the Second Pocketbook Bingo a huge success!!!! Hoping to

have another in November.

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, NY. New members are welcome. Their next meeting is on Thursday, July 18th. The group is holding its annual Communion Breakfast beginning with Mass at St. Ann's Church, 31 College Place, Yonkers, NY, 10704 on September 22, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. followed by Communion Breakfast immediately after the Mass at the Fairways at Dunwoodie Golf Course. Cost is \$23, payable at the breakfast. For more information, please call 914 423-5331. Members and guests are welcome.



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

Amount Needed Weekly \$7,000.00 Actual Received Last Sunday \$5,108.55 Balance - \$1,891.45

\*(Envelopes \$4,488.55, online, \$620.00)

\*\*Note: Online giving not reported last week: \$660.00)

Amount Needed for Month of June \$35,000.00 Amount Collected Thus Far \$19,879.70

"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!

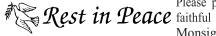
It's time to sign up for on line giving with We Share. Please contact the parish office or fill out the cards at the rear of the Church.

As you plan and enjoy your summer vacations, please do not forget your financial obligations to our Parish. God bless and keep you all!!!



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Larry Vandak, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Edison Blanco, Steven Sarich, Larry Mesler, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jerry Esposito, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly and Carole Romanowski.

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



Please pray for the souls of all the departed especially Monsignor John M. McCarthy,

Father Paul Kang & Victor D' Angelo.

Thank you to the Holy Name Men for all their hard work in the sponsoring of our Parish Family Picnic. A great time was had by all!!!





#### Saturday, June 29 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM William Edward Tobias +

#### Sunday, June 30, 2019 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Teresina & Luigi Pagnotta +
10:00 AM Joseph T. Pasqualoni, III +
11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

5:00 PM Carolina Barbieri +

# Monday, July 1

# Weekday

7:00 AM Dina, Frank, & Carmela Legio +

9:00 AM Peggy O'Haire +

#### Tuesday, July 2

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Joseph T. Pasqualoni, III

#### Wednesday, July 3 Saint Thomas, Apostle

7:00 AM Ralph Esposito + 9:00 AM Antonio Marchetti +

#### Thursday, July 4, Independence Day

Weekday

9:00 AM Evangeline Yaskovic +

#### Friday, July 5

Weekday

7:00 AM Charles Porcello +

9:00 AM Lynne Columbres (Living)

#### Saturday, July 6

Weekday

9:00 AM For All The Young Ladies of the Parish (Living)

#### Saturday, July 6 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Marion De Muro +

# **Sunday, July 7, 2019**

#### **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

6.30 Alvi Giovailli & Telesilla Diusco T	8:30 AM	Giovanni & Teresina Brusco +
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10:00 AM Mary Ann Karpinski +

11:30 AM Julie Ann Campisi Moroch +

5:00 PM Jose Angel Ocasio +

#### 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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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 complete 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:	
☐ 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. ☐ I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.	



Dear Lord, we call our country, "One nation under God" when we pledge allegiance to the flag.

May we always remember that we are subject to You. Help us always to recall that a nation is great

only so long as it worships You as its author. Remind us that no nation can truly prosper unless it acknowledges its dependence on You. Give us the grace to remember always

Give us the grace to remember always that the true sign of strength for any nation or person is how well we treat the weak and helpless among us, and make us truly thankful for all You have given us throughout our history. Amen.