

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 Ezeh, MSP, Pastor
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

Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday (Vigil);
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, 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: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

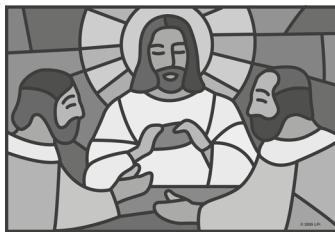
AWARE OF THE LORD'S PRESENCE



In the days following His resurrection, it was a challenge to recognize the risen Lord. Cleopas and his companion did not recognize Him even though they walked with Him for miles mere hours after being told that He was alive again. In each of the first two readings Peter testifies to Jesus' identity and resurrection, reminding them that they all witnessed this. You can almost hear him pleading, "Can't you see?" But plainly it is not obvious;

otherwise there would be no need for Peter to make his argument. Often it is only in hindsight, when we reflect and say, "Were not our hearts burning within us while He spoke to us on the way?" that we realize the divine presence in our lives (Luke 24:32).

The journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus was short in terms of distance, but lengthy in terms of discovery. Only after walking with Him for miles, talking and listening and inviting Him to stay, did recognition come like a bolt from the blue when He broke bread with them. Our life journeys may seem lengthy, and recognition of the Lord's presence may come slowly and with difficulty, than all at once.



In the days following Jesus' crucifixion and death the disciples were miserable. They left Jerusalem dispirited and defeated, mourning the one they hoped, "would be the one to redeem Israel" (Luke 24:21). All appeared lost. It was then, they finally realized who He was, their outlook changed immediately. Though it was already evening, they returned at once to Jerusalem to tell the apostles the wonderful news. In the time of their great need they were blessed with the Lord's presence.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

When have I acutely realized the Lord's presence? In the Eucharist? In listening in scripture? When we gather in His name? In my day-to-day life?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael

Thoughts to Ponder

There are many people we admire or revere whom we will never see in person: athletes, artists, actors, etc. We enjoy their work and accomplishments and read about their lives in books and magazines. We sometimes get so involved in who they are that we almost feel like we know them. We may be their biggest fans and then share our love of them with others. We do all of this, yet we have never even seen them in the flesh with our own eyes.



Some think this is the way with Jesus. They believe He is the Son of God and the savior of the world, but He is still someone up in heaven, and we will get a chance to see Him "for real" when we die or when He comes again. They may even say that until those times occur, He resides only in our hearts.

But those in the Gospels saw who He was in the breaking of the bread. And today, He is here in our midst for all eyes to see. He is here really and truly every time we break the bread. There is no need for worship from afar. Just open your eyes.

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PARISH NEWS



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE AND ALTAR CANDLES are donated in loving memory of Joseph & Teresa Pasqualoni Sr. by Pauline and Joseph Pasqualoni.



Religious Ed Students & Parents -

An update from Cheryl Duda

1. Please note that an e mail was sent to all Religious Education Parents with lesson plans, class by class.

2. If you **HAVE NOT** supplied us with your e mail address, please send your e mail address to stbartsreled@aol.com so you can receive important information and updates.



3. If you **HAVE NOT** received an e mail, it either means we have an incorrect e mail address or one that we could not read. Please e mail us your correct e mail address, to stbartsreled@aol.com. **Parents, please send us YOUR e mail address.** We cannot e mail the children, it must be the parent's e mail.

4. Anyone needing to reach Cheryl Duda, please email <mailto:stbartsreled@aol.com>.

Formed.org

Our parish has a free subscription to www.formed.org which gives you 24/7 access to over 300 quality Catholic on line programs, 99+ movies, 101+ audios, & 98+ E-Books. To register for this free resource follow these easy steps.

Go to formed.org.

Click on "sign up".

Click on "I belong to a parish or organization".

Start typing name- St. Bartholomew Yonkers (You will see a number of parishes with this name).

Scroll to St. Bartholomew Yonkers NY.

Hit next, -create account with your name and email.

After creating your account the next time you want to go on simply type in your web browser formed.org and it will bring you to the website. In the upper right corner you will then see sign in. Click that and you are set to enjoy all the wonderful resources. I would highly suggest during this time you sample some of the movies that they offer. Enjoy!

For those collecting Mission Boxes, please hold them in a safe place. When things return to normal, they will then be collected at Mass.



MASSES, EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, CONFESSIONS AND ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES INCLUDING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.



THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER EVERY WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND FROM 8A.M. TO 6 P.M.

ST. BART'S MASSES AND EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ARE LIVE STREAMED

Sunday Mass at 10 a.m.
Weekday Masses at 10 a.m.



Eucharistic Adoration, Weekdays from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

IT'S EASY, just go to www.saintbartsparish.org,

GO TO THE UPPER RIGHT SIDE

CLICK ON THE FACEBOOK ICON, This will bring you directly to the page and wait for the Mass or Adoration to begin. If the video does not come up at 10, **REFRESH THE PAGE**.

ANY CHANGES TO THE ABOVE WILL BE UPDATED VIA ROBO CALL OR ON SAINTBARTHOLOMEWPARISH FACEBOOK PAGE.

For anyone who is not on Facebook and needs help setting up an account, please contact the Parish Office or Cheryl Duda.

We have two prayer lists for the Corona Virus. The first list will be for people who currently have the virus and need prayers. The second list will be for those working in the hospitals directly with the Corona Virus patients.

Please send your names to stbartsreled@aol.com and state whether the person is sick with the virus or is a medical person working in the hospital with corona virus patients. Send all information to: stbartsreled@aol.com



Pray the Rosary with St. Bart's Seniors Group

Monday-Friday at 9:15 a.m.

Free dial-in phone number

1-805-309-0111

Access code: 883623#

All Are Welcome!



Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Our Lady know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that,

as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will

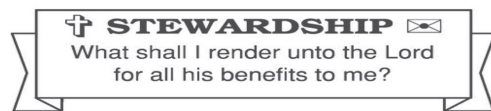
and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us,

through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing. Program. **We need your financial support especially at this difficult time.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME, YOU CAN TITHE IN 3 WAYS:

- Mail in your envelope.
- Register for on line giving. **IT'S EASY!** (see below note).
- Drop off your envelope in the large container covered with a red cloth behind the organ. It is marked with a sign.

May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought and sign up for on line giving. Thank you!

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 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, Mary DeSantis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutowski, 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, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Rosemarie Bartolomeo, Ann McShane, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy, Sister Joan Mary Gleason, Dan Panik, and Mary Drohan Barrett. **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.**



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially John De Feo, Louis Barcelo, Joseph Vulpone,

Marie Hoffman and Joseph Volpe.

April 26, 2020

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

***EVEN THOUGH MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED,
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE LOVED ONES BELOW AND FOR
OUR PARISH, especially during our LIVE STREAM MASSES
EACH DAY AT 10 AM.***

Saturday, April 25 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Ann Marie Selvaraj +

**Sunday, April 26, 2020
Third Sunday of Easter**

8:30 AM Margaret & Jim Manning +
10:00 AM Louis Brusco +
11:30 AM Teresa & Joseph Pasqualoni, Sr. +
5:00 PM Dillen Garvey (Living)

**Monday, April 27
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM William & Anna Groth +

**Tuesday, April 28
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Angela Rush, Aristides and Carmine Scipioni +

**Wednesday, April 29
Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the
Church**

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM John & Giovanni De Feo +

**Thursday, April 30
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Michael Califano +

**Friday, May 1
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM Dina, Frank & Carmela Legio +
9:00 AM No Intention

**Saturday, May 2
Saint Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

9:00 AM Stephanie Peduto (Living)

Saturday, May 2 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Victor & Lucille Serricchio +

**Sunday, May 3, 2020
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

8:30 AM Luigi Lucchetti +
10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish
11:30 AM Joseph T. Pasqualoni, III +
5:00 PM Deceased Members of Brusco & Naoia
Families

April 26, 2020

The need for blood STILL EXISTS! It doesn't go away. NYBC is encouraging all donors to call and make appointments at a convenient time at one of the local collection centers.

You can check out the following for additional information:



**GIVE BLOOD
SAVE LIFE**

<https://www.nybloodcenter.org/news/articles/new-york-blood-center-expands-capacity-donors-centers-urges-healthy-donors-schedule-appointments-maintain-blood-supply-critical-time/>

<https://nybc.org/donate-blood/covid-19-and-blood-donation-copy/>

If you have been on the St Bart's list for quite some time and have donated at St Bart's infrequently or have never donated with us, PLEASE sign up with NYBC to help alleviate the critical shortage. If you wish, you can credit St Bart's by using code 07747.

We thank you so much for your cooperation and understanding.

Anthony Sciacca

Chairperson, St Bart's Blood Drive

TO KNOW JESUS

If you ask me to tell you about one of my sons, my daughter, or my wife, I could spend quite some time elaborating on them as individuals and my interactions with them throughout the years. An authentic relationship leads each party into a rich knowledge of the other. If I have little to say about someone other than some incidental information or gossip, I cannot claim to really know him or her.

Indeed, every relationship has expectations. If we do not know the needs of the other or the responses expected in living out the relationship, we easily create division and separation. I do certain things for my children because I am a parent. I respond in certain ways to my wife based upon her needs. If I am oblivious, or just don't care, the relationship will move on a path toward hurt, pain, and in some instances, permanent separation.

To know Jesus is to love Jesus. The key is you actually have to know him. Knowing Him is listening to His words and keeping His commands. Just like in all relationships, we will fall short at times. However, because we know the expectations we can then make amends and continue to grow together. So if I asked you to tell me about this friend of yours named Jesus, what would you say?

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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We could all use a little humor

