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When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

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 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 (also live streamed) and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday

Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. (also live streamed) Monday

through Friday;

9:00 a.m. Saturday (also live streamed)

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: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

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COMPASSION FOR OTHERS PUSHES OUR OWN NEEDS ASIDE

When Jeremiah wrote that the Lord said. "Woe to the shep-



herds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture," he was not just speaking in the abstract (23:1). He was referring to the last few kings of Judah before its fall to Babylon, the one who reigned after Josiah, considered the last of the great Davidic rulers. Jeremiah spoke out against each of them for both political and religious reasons, for they had corrupted themselves and their people through their personal behavior and

their unholy alliances with Judah's enemies.

Zedekiah, the final king of this era, grew furious with Jeremiah and attempted to have him killed. When Jeremiah prophesied about a future shepherd who would rule with justice and righteousness, he somehow saw promise in the race of utter hopelessness. The final word of this oracle, referring to the name of this future ruler—"the Lord, or justice" (23:6) were almost certainly used in bitter irony, for "Zedekiah" literally meant "the Lord is justice." Zedekiah was anyting but.

Paul's letter to the Ephesians is his great essay about the universal church. There is but one body of Christ, one body whose blood was shed so that we may be redeemed, one body of all the faithful, Gentile and Jew. No longer can barriers or enmity stand in the way of peace and unity. All the baptized are reconciled in the one body of Christ, not only in the first century but just as much in the twenty-first century.

Mark does not tell us the "many things" that Jesus taught the vast crowd (6:34), but we do know the lesson He taught the Twelve. He taught them what their priorities should be. Tired and hungry, they hoped to get some rest



away from the townsfolk, some of them they may have just visited when Jesus sent them out two by two. But their plans were changed in an instant, for Jesus' heart was moved to pity. Compassion caused them to turn their attention away from themselves and their need for food and rest so they could attend to strangers in need of healing and guidance. Lesson learned.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

When has my compassion for someone or for others pushed aside my own needs? How can I put others' needs first more often?

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.

FOR THE WEEKEND MASSES, THE SATURDAY MASS AT 5 PM AND THE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:30 A.M., WILL BE SAID FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH. THIS SUNDAY MASS, JULY

18TH, AT 9:30 A.M. WILL BE FOR THE **FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:**

DECEASED:

Anna Giuriceo + Lucy Ficcarotta + Ethel Castagnozzi + Jose Angel Ocasio + Antonio Perez +

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:



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



FOOD PANTRY: The food pantry can use cereal, tuna, and juices.

May God bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.



GIVING THANKS FOR SUMMER

Father, Creator of all, thank You for summer! Thank you for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight. Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation. Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family.

and for the more casual pace of the summer season. Draw me closer to You this summer. Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence and light my path with Your Word and Counsel. As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You.

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP

Blessings

Author Unknown



THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S IS AS FOLLOWS:

MASSES MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7 AM AND

9 AM (9 AM MASS LIVE STREAMED ALSO FOR THOSE AT HOME)

SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME) **SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM** SUNDAY MASSES AT 9:30 AM (ALSO LIVE

STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME) AND 11:30 AM.

WHEN ATTENDING MASS, PLEASE BE SURE

TO SIGN YOUR NAME ON THE SIGN UP SHEETS ON THE TABLE AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.

****CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM****

SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM CHERYL DUDA

Please accept my sincere thanks for the outpouring of support following the death of my husband, Walter. Your calls, texts, cards, & prayers were truly appreciated by myself and my family. A very special thank you to Erika, the choir and Angelina for the beautiful music at the funeral Mass. I thank God everyday for blessing me with

such a wonderful church community!



ST BART'S BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS- FRIDAY, JULY 9TH

St. Bart's and the New York Blood Center express sincere

appreciation to the 63 donors who came down to the 99th Blood Drive on 7/9/2021 to donate 61 pints. Since 1981, St Bart's blood drives have collected 7501 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.

51 donors gave a regular donation. 5 donors gave a double red cell donation using the ALYX system. 7

donors were deferred for various reasons. There were 18 new donors and 10 walk-ins. 15 prospective donors had signed up but were not able to attend. These 15 prospective donors and anyone else who is interested can make an appointment to donate at their convenience by calling



NYBC at 800-933-2566. If you wish, ask to credit your donation to St. Bart's group # 07747.

We are planning **OUR 100TH DRIVE** for the day after Thanksgiving and look forward to continuing this much needed community service.

Once again, thanks to all! Anthony Sciacca, Chairperson tonscia@aol.com



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION UPDATED July 4, 2021- Tithing

> Envelope \$3.681 Online \$1,275 Total. \$4.956

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. SHARE (WE 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, Harold Sullivan, 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, James Burns, Josephine Giabattista, Loni Shost, Ken Shost, and Emil Kurak.

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.



Mary Magdalene, woman of many sins, who by conversion became the beloved of Jesus, thank you for your witness that Jesus forgives through the miracle of love. You, who already possess eternal happiness in His glorious presence, please intercede for me, so that some day I may share in the same everlasting joy. Amen.



Saturday, July 17 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, July 18, 2021 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Anna Giuriceo +

Lucy Ficarrotta + Ethel Castagnozzi + Jose Angel Ocasio + Antonio Perez +

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

Monday, July 19

Weekday

7:00 AM Antonio Perez + 9:00 AM Frank D'Aquila +

Tuesday, July 20

Weekday

7:00 AM Antonio Perez + 9:00 AM Walter Duda +

Wednesday, July 21

Weekday

7:00 AM Antonio Perez + 9:00 AM Josephine Lehoytak +

Thursday, July 22 Saint Mary Magdalene

7:00 AM Antonio Perez +

9:00 AM Baby Conor John Smith +

Friday, July 23

Weekday

7:00 AM Antonio Perez +

9:00 AM Sonya & Jim Manning (Living)

Saturday, July 24

Weekday

9:00 AM Suor Maria Cira +

Saturday, July 24 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, July 25, 2021 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Lucyanne Caruso +

Gabriel Nanoia + Henry Joseph + Antonio Perez +

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and I unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

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 of New York, 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

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. Amen.



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





