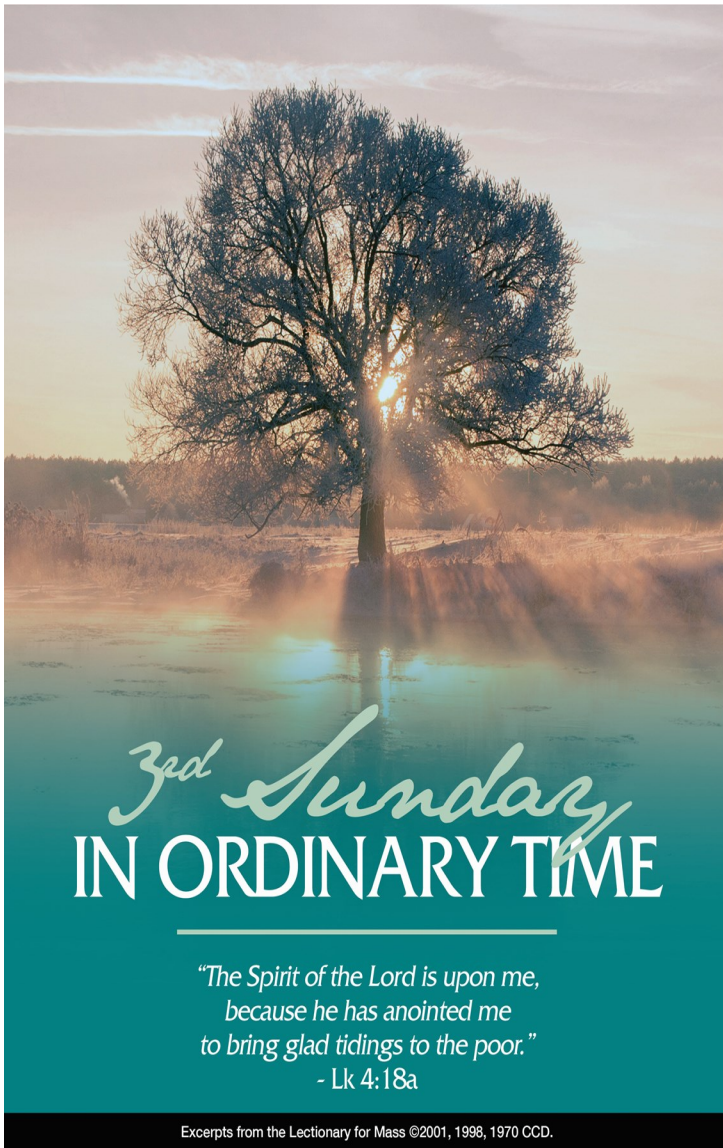


# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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  
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 and 11:30 a.m. 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 DOES THE LORD'S PROMISE SPEAK TO ME?**



For fifty years the Jewish people had been exiled in Babylon. Most of the people gathered around Ezra that day had never worshiped in public. They are hearing God's word proclaimed openly for the first time in their lives. Even the older folks could barely recall what it was like before their exile. Many had certainly wondered if this day would ever come. We may have felt the same way sometimes over the last two years. For weeks or months, or over a year we did not join in communal worship. We rejoiced when we were able to return. Imagine the tears of joy shed by the faithful people of Judah when they were able to assemble freely for the first time in decades.

In the longer form of the second reading, Saint Paul builds his analogy of the body, ending by pointing out that "if one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it" (1 Corinthians 12:26). We are all members of the body of Christ, of the "one holy, catholic and apostolic Church." If one of us suffers, the entire Church suffers. Many suffer from chronic illness, or poverty, or racism, or emotional trauma, or physical limitations. Many are not able to reach their full potential. In an even wider sense, since we are all children of God, the human family is united as one as well. And so we are called to care for the least of our brothers and sisters, be they next door or at the other end of the world; we are one family.

Alone among the evangelists, Luke sets this account at the very beginning of Jesus' ministry. He alone also reveals the scripture passage that Jesus reads in His hometown synagogue (Isaiah 61:1-2), which sets the tone for His ministry. "A year acceptable to the Lord" (Luke 4:19) refers to a once every-fifty-years event, during which debts were forgiven, slaves freed, and land reverted to its original owners or heirs. The transformative ministry of Jesus went on to fulfill this ultimate reversal of circumstances.



**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

In what ways am I poor, oppressed or held captive? How does the Lord's promise speak to me? How can I bring glad tidings to those who are poor and oppressed?

*Blessings*

*Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP*

**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.



*Rest in Peace*

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed especially Marie Giuriceo.

The Religious Ed Program is once again sponsoring a used eyeglass collection in partnership with the local Lions Club. At various mission sites in poorer countries, eye care professionals along with Lions Club volunteers will perform vision screenings and dispense the appropriate recycled glasses, free of charge, to children and adults in need who otherwise would not be able to afford glasses.



*Religious Education*

So please help give the gift of sight to those in need by bringing your old eyeglasses and those of your friends, relatives and neighbors to the church before January 30<sup>th</sup>. A box marked for eyeglasses will be on the back table of the church for you to deposit your donated glasses.

**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.



**St. Thomas Aquinas | January 28**

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great. His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The *Summa Theologiae*, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology. The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.







THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S 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, 11:30 AM & 5 PM

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

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS, LPI



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION  
January 9<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday collection: \$1,599.00  
On Line giving: \$1,095.00  
Total: \$2,694.00

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](http://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](mailto: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, 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 & Rosalia Guzman.

Please contact the Parish Office and leave a message or e mail us at [stbartschurch@aol.com](mailto:stbartschurch@aol.com), if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.

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Mass  for the  
Intentions *Week*

**Saturday, January 22 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Linda Orford +

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**Sunday, January 23, 2022**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Jack Gronowski & William Bruder +  
Arlene Tiplady +

11:30 AM Reverend Patrick J. Mee +

5:00 PM For All the People of the Parish

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**Monday, January 24**

**Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Song & Maria Phan +

**Tuesday, January 25**

**Conversion of Saint Paul, the Apostle**

7:00 AM Maria Loreta Lucchetti +

9:00 AM Mary & Nicholas Maccia +

**Wednesday, January 26**

**Saints Timothy & Titus, Bishops**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Amelia Gagliardi +

**Thursday, January 27**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Lily & Ralph Pagan (Living)

**Friday, January 28**

**Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious and Doctor of  
the Church**

7:00 AM Paul Capuano (Living)

9:00 AM Robert & Lillian Kurtz +

**Saturday, January 29**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Marie Caloia +

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**Saturday, January 29 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Daniel P. De Rosa +

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**Sunday, January 30, 2022**

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Leonore Erb & Elizabeth Laredo +  
Giovanni Lucchetti (Living)

11:30 AM For All the People of the Parish

5:00 PM Beverly Palazzo +

**January 23, 2022**

**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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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 ORDINARY TIME

