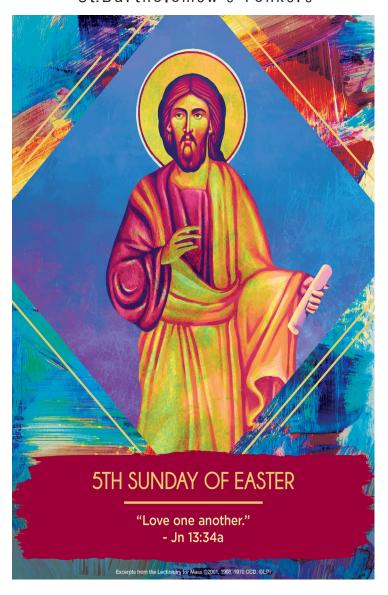
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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and 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 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

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OPEN THE DOOR OF FAITH TO OTHERS

The author of Acts sums up Paul's initial missionary journey by saying that he "opened the door of faith to



the Gentiles" (14:27).. First, he and Barnabas did not force it upon the people in the cities they visited, nor did they fight back against people who opposed them, as we heard last week. No, he taught them about Christ and invited them to believe. Secondly, they proclaimed the Good News specifically to the Gentiles, giving them

the opportunity to embrace the faith as well as giving the early church the opportunity to expand far outside Judea. This is the model we can follow as well: open the door of faith, inviting those who are unattached and those who are outsiders to join.

Note that Paul and Barnabas don't reel people in and then take off. Today we hear them return to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, where they strengthened and encouraged the new disciples. They appointed elders in each community, whom they could correspond with after they left. The prayed and fasted with them. Back in the city of Antioch in Syria (not to be confused with the town of Antioch in Pisidia), they reported their success and no doubt the church there prayed for the church in Pisidia and Pamphylia, as we do now for the Church in others parts of the world.

Jesus' commandment to His disciples is a lot more challenging that just the warm fuzzy feeling we get when we think of loving one another. No, Jesus asks that we love one another in the way that He has loved us. This means we have to be willing to give of ourselves, to even lay down our lives for one another. Let John's vision in Revelation inspire us. "God's dwelling is with the human race," he says (Revelation 21:3) God is right there, renewing us, redeeming us, loving us.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How can I open the door of faith to someone else?

Blessings

Father Raphael





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.



THE ALTAR SANCTUARY LAMP IS lit in

loving memory of Lynne Wikes by Josephine Smith.

by Joanne Pragana.





The ALTAR FLOWERS in the sanctuary are donated by the First Communion Class in honor and memory of their living and deceased family members and friends.

THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE is donated and THE

ALTAR CANDLES are lit in loving memory of Julie Lee

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 this week 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.



God Bless our children who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 14th.

Angel of God, my guardian dear, To whom God's love commits me here, Ever this day, be at my side, To light and guard. Rule and guide. Amen

SAVE THE DATE,

June 6th Rosary Altar Society Dinner, \$30 per person.

Fogarty's in Bronxville. All women of the parish are invited. If you plan on attending, please send check to the parish office no later than May 31st made out to St. Bartholomew's Rosary Altar Society



Consider joining the Seniors Group. There is no age requirement, you only have had to use the expression, "I'm having a senior moment" to join us.

Super enlors

Please contact Rich Califano at (914)643-0498 (call or text) if you'd like to participate.

JOIN US ON THIS THURSDAY, MAY 19TH Movie Thursdays - 10 am in the school gym

Pray the Rosary, then view *Not Without My Daughter*, with light refreshments. The movie is about an American woman trapped in Islamic Iran by her brutish husband who must find a way to escape with her daughter as well.

(1 h 56 m, rated PG-13)

Don't forget to make your reservations for Father Raphael's 25th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration on Saturday, June 4th after the 5 pm Mass. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children. Come to the Parish Office on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. or see Cheryl Duda.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS Loving as New Creations

"There's something different about you."

Think about the times in your life when this has been said to you. Maybe it was after someone complimented you on a job well done, and you realized that you were walking through life with a little more confidence. Maybe it was after meeting someone special, as you carried the glow of that relationship wherever you went. Chances are, if someone has noticed something different about you, it's because, inwardly, you've been changed by the loving or respectful actions of another person.

Love, you see, can make us into new creations. From the love of God flows the grace to tackle any challenge, including the biggest challenge of all: loving each other well. Christ knows what a big request this is. He was human, too. He came and lived among us. He knew intimately what it was to love people in the chaos of their own flaws. He knew what he was asking of us when he said, "As I have loved you, so you should also love one another."

In essence, this is the call to stewardship: loving as Christ loves, amidst the messiness of everyday reality. Loving with accountability, challenging ourselves and our brothers and sisters to be faithful even when it is hard. Loving with an unflinching sense of hospitality that welcomes even those we do not agree with or understand. Loving with gratitude, giving thanks for the great variety of ways that Christ can make himself known to us through others.

It isn't easy — we all know that. But if we ask God for the grace to remain steadfast in this greatest commandment, we will be given what we need to live as new creations.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

May 1st

 Sunday collection:
 \$2,773.00

 On Line giving:
 1,085.00

 Total:
 \$3,858.00

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 donation s, 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.



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, Tony Sciacca, and Megan Weingarten.

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.





Saturday, May 14 (Anticipated Mass)

Paolo & Prosperina Merli + 5:00 PM

Sunday, May 15, 2022 Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Elizabeth Laredo +

Norah Murphy +

11:30 AM For All The People Of Our Parish 5:00 PM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers ****************************

Monday, May 16 **Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM Giuseppina Falcone +

Tuesday, May 17 Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Shirley Dolan +

9:00 AM JoAnn Crotty Beers (Living)

Wednesday, May 18 **Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM Leticia Serano + 9:00 AM Joseph Begnache +

Thursday, May 19 Easter Weekday

7:00 AM **Special Intention** 9:00 AM Lynne Weber +

Friday, May 20 Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Special Intention

In Honor of St. Rita and the Holy Trinity 9:00 AM

Saturday, May 21 Saint Matthias, Apostle

9:00 AM Monsignor Robert Diachek + & Brother Gregory Lucrezia +

Saturday, May 21 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Julie Lee +

Sunday, May 22, 2022 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Robert Liddell + 9:30 AM Gabriel Nanoia + 11:30 AM

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

May 15, 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: |
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| 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



