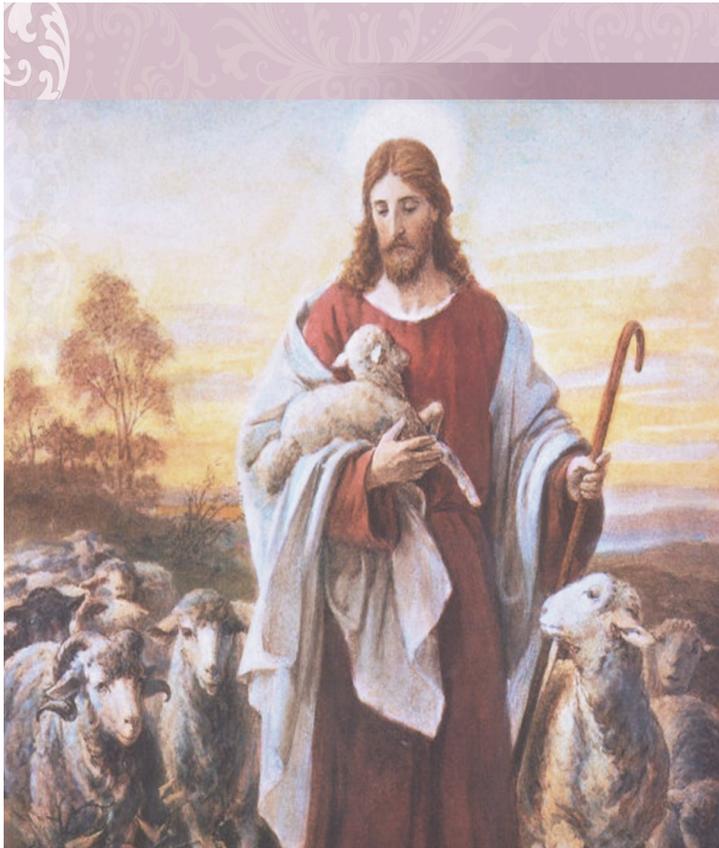


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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-28b

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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. 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

School violence has been a big problem, not only here in our country but in many others as well. I once read a story about an Irish teacher in London – Philip Lawrence. He was appointed headmaster of a troubled Catholic school with poor exam results and violence. He improved the academic reputation of the school in two years but the violence continued. A group of teenagers, led by a 15-year old from another school was beating one of his students with an iron bar for quarrelling with another student from their ethnicity. He went out to remonstrate with the gang and was stabbed

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in the process. He died that same day. Here at home teachers have been killed while trying to protect their students. It happened at Columbine High School, Sandy Hook Elementary, and Stoneman Douglas in Florida, just to name a few. Just this past week, 18 year old Kendrick Castillo tried to fight off one of the suspects at the STEM School Highlands Ranch in Colorado. He died heroically trying to protect his fellow students.

Contrast all these stories with the case of Officer Scot Peterson – the security guard at Stoneman Douglas High School in Florida where 17 kids were killed. He took cover until danger was over – more or less. He defended himself by saying that he was trained to take cover, call for backup and lockdown. Whatever his reasons might be, the whole situation looks like the hired hand Jesus was talking about in the Gospel today. Kendrick and Philip represent an image of a Good Shepherd. Scot represents an image of a hired hand.

Unfortunately, even within the Church, we've also had priests and bishops that acted like hired hands rather than good shepherds. It's a big shame. We've also heard stories of health personnel who abuse vulnerable seniors in their care. The list goes on.

It's easy to think that this is all about others. But it does concern us too. How do you show love and care to others? It's not enough to love the young and vulnerable among us. They must know and feel our love for them. This applies not only in schools and churches but also in our families. Do the vulnerable people around you feel safe and loved? Do you represent the Good Shepherd for them?



Finally, true love and care can come with a big cost, even paying the ultimate price. We pray we don't have to pay the ultimate price for others in our care. But may we always be ready to show how much we love them by our sacrifices.

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2ND ST. BART'S INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

Join us as we celebrate our 2nd Annual International Festival. More information will be coming your way this weekend and the next.

PARISH NEWS

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



May God bless all the mothers of our Parish on this very special day! In this month of May, set aside for a special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Mother; we ask for her intercession and protection for all our Mothers. We also pray for our deceased Mothers, that they may rest in peace.

MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST

This Sunday, May 12th there will be a breakfast for Mothers and their families in McManus Parish Center after the 8:30 and 10 a.m. Masses sponsored by the Holy Name Society.



THE ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP AND ALTAR CANDLES have been donated in memory of Frances Nanoia and Angelina Brusco by Lou and Angela Brusco.



We congratulate 32 of our children who made their First Holy Communion last Sunday, May 5th and we welcome them to the Table of our Lord:

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| Jose Adames | Bryana Liranzo |
| Chloe Albino | Dariel Liranzo |
| Gavin Arocho | Desteney Liranzo |
| Szion Bendana | Kamilah Marchena |
| Justin Burgos | Rael Marchena |
| Kandice Burgos | Aiden Mejia |
| Sofia Cortes | Brianna Navarro |
| Tatiana Cotes | Tiffany Nguyen |
| Brandon Gueits | Joshua Perlado |
| Jazmine Harris | Max Pizarro |
| Samantha Harris | Edward Real |
| Mason Hernandez | Joshua Requeno |
| Emiliano Huerta | Jayden Rodriguez |
| Valeria Huerta | Katy Segarra |
| Grace Larkin | Tatiana Trinidad |
| Kelsie Valdez | Ashley Zambrana |

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is next Sunday May 19th at the 11:30 a.m. Mass. This Mass will be very crowded and will be longer than usual. You may wish to attend a different Mass on this day.



PARISH EVENTS

May

SUNDAY, MAY 12TH, MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST,
AFTER THE 8:30 AND 10 A.M. MASSES
SUNDAY, MAY 19TH, CONFIRMATION AT
11:30 A.M. MASS



June

SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND, COMMUNION BREAKFAST AFTER
THE 10 A.M. MASS
SATURDAY, JUNE 8TH, CULTURAL NIGHT,
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW
FRIDAY, JUNE 14TH, OUR SECOND
"POCKETBOOK" BINGO AT 7 P.M.
SUNDAY, JUNE 16TH, FATHER'S DAY
BREAKFAST AFTER THE 8:30 AND 10 A.M. MASSES
SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND, TAG SALE, 9 AM TO 3 PM
SUNDAY, JUNE 23RD, THE PARISH PICNIC, 12 NOON TO
5 P.M.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

Our May service project is a snack collection for Ronald McDonald House located at Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla. The Ronald McDonald House provides families with critically ill and traumatically injured children an atmosphere of comfort, hope and courage, keeping them close to the care and resources they need. The House has 12 bedrooms that are filled to capacity almost every night. They also provide meals, laundry and respite services for the families during their stay at the Center. We try to help in a small way by collecting snacks for the families when they come back to the home in the evening. We are not looking for huge amounts, a simple bag of cookies, chips or pretzels will do. A box will be in the back of church next weekend for you to drop your donation. Please support this very worthy cause.



**Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass
Sunday, June 2, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.
At Saint Patrick's Cathedral**

His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Celebrant

The Golden Jubilee mass is for couples celebrating 50 years of marriage during 2019. All those who wish to attend must contact the Parish Office to register. Pews will be reserved for Golden Jubilee couples. Additional guests will be accommodated in pews outside of the reserved section.

All Golden Jubilee couples will receive a special commemorative certificate. Couples who are unable to attend the Mass can request a certificate through their parish. Registration will close on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5p.m..



**Wedding Jubilee Mass and Celebration
at St. Bart's**

There will also be a Mass at St. Bartholomew's for St. Bartholomew's couples who are celebrating their 25th and 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime this year (2019) on June 9th. The couple(s) will be blessed and honored during the Mass which will be followed by a Reception in the McManus Parish Center. Please call the Parish Office to let us know if you are celebrating this special anniversary!!!



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
Sunday Collection Update

Amount Needed Weekly	\$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday	\$5,093.15
Balance	- \$1,906.85
*(Envelopes \$4,343.15, \$750.00 Online)	

Amount Needed for Month of May	\$28,000.00
Amount Collected Thus Far	\$ 5,093.15

The collection for Building and Grounds Totaled: \$926.05
(this included On Line Giving Total of \$50)

"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.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Marian Fletcher, Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Theresa Venturino, 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, and Jeri Michele Sugrue.

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

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 Sunday, June 2nd.** 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.

*The Cluster Parishes of Christ the King, Sacred Heart, St. Anthony and St. Bartholomew's invite all to join them for: **Outdoor Rosary in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima on Monday, May 13th at 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart, Mary's Field. Refreshments will follow.***



May 12, 2019

Mass  *for the*
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, May 11 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Rosario Barbieri +

Sunday, May 12, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM Margaret T. Maccia +
10:00 AM Frances Nanoia & Angelina Brusco +
11:30 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers
5:00 PM Judith Casey (Living)

Monday, May 13
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers
9:00 AM Jeffrey Vo (Living)

Tuesday, May 14
Saint Matthias, Apostle

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers
9:00 AM Paolo & Prosperina Merli +

Wednesday, May 15
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers
9:00 AM Dec. Members of Del Bene & Salerno Families

Thursday, May 16
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers
9:00 AM Lucille Esposito +

Friday, May 17
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers
9:00 AM Nando Binda +

Saturday, May 18
Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

Saturday, May 18 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Deacon Bob Clemens (Living)

Sunday, May 19, 2019
Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM Robert Liddell +
10:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers
11:30 AM Paul, Maddalena & Ralph Coniglio +
5:00 PM John Nieman +

May 12, 2019

LOCAL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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!!!! **Go to: www.saintbartsparish.org and click on the We Share online giving link. (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY).**



Life Line Screening is coming to St. Bart's on Thursday, June 27th. Appointments begin at 9 a.m. Call to schedule your appointment at 1 888 653-6450. Tell your family and friends.

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sister Eileen Clifford, OP at 646 794-2949 or victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the archdiocesan website at www.archny.org. In keeping with the archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

A MEMORIAL MASS will be held at Mount Hope Cemetery, Saw Mill Road and Jackson Avenue, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY on this Saturday, May 18th, at 12:30 p.m. for all of our loved ones laid to rest in Mount Hope. Mass will be celebrated by Father Matthew Janeczko of Sacred Heart Monastery, Yonkers, NY.

St. Augustine Church, Larchmont, NY announces its next Bereavement Support Group from May 6th to July 1st, 2019. This group meets every Monday from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information please call 914 834-1220, ext. 23 or srmuriel@staugustiny.org

STEAM INTO SCA (Saint Catherine Academy): STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) is a comprehensive one month summer program, July 1-26th, for rising 7th and 8th grade girls. The program reinforces Math, Reading and English language skills, as well as classes in art, dance, robotics, coding and sports. A great way to spend the summer, make new friends and progress academically, Program fee: \$750, includes daily lunch, course materials and two T shirts. For more information, please contact Tracy Keelin, tkeelin@scahs.org or 718 882-2882, Ext. 122. Additional information is available at www.scahs.org.

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER



All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old. We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy. We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways. We remember mothers who are separated from

their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away. We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion. We remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.