# 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 Ezeh, MSP, Pastor Rev. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate Pastor Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Office Manager 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, **11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass)** 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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#### BRING THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT TO OTHERS

Just over a month ago, we heard the account of two disciples returning to their town of Emmaus, not knowing what to make of



the reports they'd heard that Jesus' body was no longer in the tomb. They did not recognize the stranger whom they welcomed on the road. It was only after he was revealed in the breaking of the bread that they admitted, "Were not our hearts burning within us?" (Luke24:32).

It is no coincidence that not long after this event, the Holy Spirit appeared to the disciples in the upper room as tongues of fire. The mission we are called to accomplish - to witness to the love and mercy of God - is meant to burn within us, to light a fire under us, driving us to put that message into action each and every day.

The way we each witness to the workings of the Spirit within us differs, for, as Paul writes, "there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone" (1 Corinthians 12:6). Though we are blessed with different gifts and led to different forms of service, all are in the service of the same God. Like the Christian community of Paul's time, our communities may see divisiveness and disagreement. Let us realize that what we have in common exceeds our differences, for we each have within us the Holy Spirit, who blesses us with the gifts that we each express in our own way.

According to this passage from John's Gospel, Jesus gave two gifts to his disciples when he first appeared to them after He was raised from the dead. He gave them the Holy Spirit and He gave

them peace. They must have been very unsettled as they locked themselves in the upper room: frightened that they themselves might be persecuted as Jesus was, devastated about His death on the cross, unsure about the testimony they had heard from Mary Magdalene, feeling guilty that they mostly had abandoned



Jesus at the end, and anxious about the future. So the first gift Jesus gave them was peace. Peace of mind. Peace in their hearts. Then He gave them one more thing: a mission. He gave them a mission to bring peace and mercy to the world. Yes, the peace and forgiveness He bestowed upon them, as well as the Holy Spirit, were not meant to stay shut up with them in a locked room. As so we, as modern-day disciples of the Lord, are called as well to bring peace and mercy and the Holy Spirit to the world.

#### QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What gifts of the Holy Spirit do I recognize in myself? How can I use these gifts to bring Christ's peace and mercy to others?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP



O Lord Jesus Christ, Who, before ascending into heaven, didst promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Thy work in the souls of Thy Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me, that He may perfect in my soul the work of Thy grace and Thy love.

# 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.



The ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated by the Rosary



Altar Society in loving memory of the following deceased veterans: Jerry Esposito, Harold Smith Sr., Harold Smith, Jr., Robert Smith, Edward Smith, Daniel De Rosa, Frank Fayden, John Donagher, Louis Martelli, John Zielinski, Robert Zielinski, Algrid Novak, Raymond Novak, Bonaventure Amato, Joseph

Laudadio, Jerry Pisacreta, Carmine Manno, Mario Capuano, Larry Capuano, Benny Capuano, Robert Liddell, Margaret Liddell, Louis Loscalzo, Fiore Brusco, John Brusco, Gabriel Nanoia, Larry Mesler, George Como, Francis Como and Joseph Prunella.

**FOOD PANTRY**: The food pantry can use rice, pasta, pasta sauces, and juices. **May God bless you all for your generosity.** 



Meals for a Soup Kitchen: The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans will be collected FOR JUNE on NEXT Saturday, JUNE 3<sup>rd</sup> one half hour before the 5 p.m.



Mass and on NEXT Sunday JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Trays will be available for those who wish to donate food beginning THIS Saturday and Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup>

and 28th.

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 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.





**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.

**ADORATION & HOLY HOUR:** This **Friday, June** 2<sup>nd</sup>, is First Friday. We will have Holy Hour at 1 p.m. **Saturday, June** 3<sup>rd</sup>, is First Saturday. The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. All are invited to spend an hour to come and adore Jesus Christ Who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist.



## THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S HAS CHANGED AND IS AS FOLLOWS:



MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
7 AM AND 9 AM
SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM

### SUNDAY MASSES 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM (SPANISH) & 5 PM

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

Congratulations to those who were sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Bartholomew's Church by Bishop John S. Bonnini last Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. We thank God for them and ask all our parishioners to pray that the graces they have received from the Sacrament of Confirmation be used for their salvation and the salvation of all:



Leonardo Louis Colon
Alexandra Helen Francesca Corbo
Sofia Isidora Cortes Gonzalez
Jaedes Efrain Gauthier
Michael Anthony Jennings
Vincent Christopher Nicholas Mosiello
Aylin Mary Rojas
Hailen Segarra
Rosabella Serenity AnnMarie Taveras
Joseph Anthony Tomanelli
Emma Gabriela Valdez
Jayden Emmanuel Vazquez
Gianna Marie Francesca Whitehead

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS **We Are Never Alone**

My children want my help sometimes, and other times, not so much. I remember being a teenager and young adult myself. At times, I thought I knew everything. I didn't need help because I was just so darn smart. Truth is, I needed to find my own way. I needed to stretch my wings and prove to myself and my family I could fly. I assume that is what is happening with my own children as well. It just seems so different now that I'm the parent.

Human beings need help. We need community, and we need to rely on one another. At Pentecost, we reflect on Jesus sending to the Church a helper, the Holy Spirit. God interacting with us in this manner means we are never truly alone. We focus most of the time on the Spirit of God as the assistance we need, and we do need Him for sure. However, since it is that very same Spirit that turned us into "Church" from a band of people looking to carry on after Jesus' Ascension, at Pentecost we gained more than divine help: we gained each other.

Today, the Church needs help in a profound way. We need to lean on the Holy Spirit to blow through the Church with a profound renewal. But we cannot forget that we have been given each other to lean on as well. We are a gift to each other, and together with the Spirit's help, we are the Body of Christ here on earth. We must be strong and stand for one another. If we do that, this Pentecost will bear fruit that will be with us for many Pentecosts to come.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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

### TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

### **SUNDAY COLLECTION**

May 14th

 Sunday collection:
 \$3,612.00

 On Line giving:
 \$1,115.00

 Total:
 \$4,727.00

THE EASTER COLLECTION WILL BE REPORTED IN NEXT WEEKEND'S BULLETIN.

## 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. (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, 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, Megan Weingarten, Richard Gritta, Luz Maria Izurieta, Joan Manno, Ana Herrera, Edna McShane, Faust Venturino, Patricia Nieman and Richard Romanowski.

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 27 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Rose Virga +

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Sunday, May 28, 2023 Pentecost Sunday

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Legio Family

Elizabeth Laredo & Robert Liddell +

11:00 AM Patrick V. Fox+

Julia Mulvaney McGee +

12:30 PM Liam Josue Perez Bermejo + 5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

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Monday, May 29

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

MEMORIAL DAY

9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

Tuesday, May 30

Weekday

7:00 AM Maria Jesus Martinez +
9:00 AM Angelo Beninati +
Maricala Danet +

Wednesday, May 31

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM In Thanksgiving for Maria Ferreira's Intentions

(Living)

9:00 AM Gloria Tedeschi +

Thursday, June 1 Saint Justin, Martyr

7:00 AM Leonard Kurz +

9:00 AM Ralph Capuano +

Friday, June 2 Weekday

7:00 AM Maria Loreta Lucchetti +

9:00 AM Emilio Onofrio +

Saturday, June 3

St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

9:00 AM Gene De Maio +

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Saturday, June 3 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Dr. Edward Casey +

Sunday, June 4 The Most Holy Trinity

9:30 AM Frank Legio +

11:00 AM Julia Mulvaney McGee +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

5:00 PM Donna Proda +

### May 28, 2023

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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registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor

issue documents attesting to Catholic practice of the faith and Parish membership, e.g. a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. For further information call the Parish Office at (914) 965-0566.

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

