

# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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## 32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

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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  
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

PREPARE FOR THE HEAVENLY BANQUET

As Christians, we do not have to “grieve like the rest, who have no hope” (1 Thessalonians 4:13). We are blessed with hope, hope in the promise of life everlasting, hope that one day we may be invited to the banquet, hope that our loved ones who have passed away already dwell in the presence of the Lord. As Paul writes, if we believe that Jesus was truly raised from the dead, then death is not the final chapter.



A lot is packed into Matthew's short parable, in which a wedding feast is compared to the kingdom of heaven. The ones who wisely plan ahead are rewarded; the unprepared are rejected. All the women, even the wise ones, fall asleep while waiting for the pivotal moment. The wise ones cannot share with the foolish ones; what is required to enter the feast must be what you have brought or what you have done yourself. No second chance is given to the ones who ran out of oil. Their need to buy more proves fatal. A few weeks ago the rejected guests were those without a wedding garment, now it's the ones without working lamps. At baptism we were clothed in Christ and were given a lighted candle. Only those who put on Christ and light the way are welcomed to the kingdom. We must live out our baptism.

“Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour,” may have been repeated quite frequently in the days and years immediately after Jesus' death and resurrection (Matthew 25:13). The early church assumed that Christ would return very soon. They believed that the Second Coming was right around the corner. But it wasn't. An intervening two thousand years has made us complacent. But like a lucky number in the lottery, the end days are as likely to come tomorrow as they are any other day. Let God-given wisdom give us the urgency we need each and every day.



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What must I do this month, this week, and this very day to prepare myself for the heavenly banquet?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

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

THIS SUNDAY MASS, November 8<sup>th</sup> AT 9:30 WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:

DECEASED:

Peter & Andrea Objay +  
Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society  
and Rosary Altar Society  
Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S ETERNAL PEACE

WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:

Father Anthony Mbanefo, MSP(Living)

PARISH NEWS



The Parish Office will be closed this Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> in observance of Veteran's Day. There will only be one Mass at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. The Parish Office will be open on Monday and Friday, this week from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

THE NORMAL 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 and ALTAR BREAD AND WINE are donated in loving memory and honor of all the deceased and living veterans (relatives and friends) of the Rosary Altar Society.



The ALTAR CANDLES & THE ALTAR SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in loving memory of Donato Sacchetta by Carmela & Angela Sacchetta.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

We are still accepting registrations for this year's Religious Education program NOW. All classes in this program will be remote. Please call Cheryl Duda immediately at 914 476-6676 if you want to register your child for this program. Hopefully by now everyone has picked up their access code and book for the year and have followed the instructions given for logging in the first time into google classroom. All assignments will be posted on Tuesday mornings at 8 a.m. and must be completed and submitted by Sunday evening at 10 p.m.. Payment for the classes can be made by going to our parish website, [saintbartparish.org](http://saintbartparish.org), and clicking on the We Share online giving link then scrolling down to 2020-2021 Religious Education registration fees. Hit submit payment, twice and it will bring you to payment screen. Make your payment and fill out the appropriate information.



Please note: If anyone drinks Wyler or Crystal Light Lemonade or Iced Tea, please save the empty clean containers and drop them off in the food collection box at the rear of the church.

Thank you!!

Helping Seniors Age in Place with a Purpose

- Support and Resources for Seniors and /Caregivers
- Health and Nutrition Educational Seminars
- Recreational Groups
- Information and Assistance
- Telephone Reassurance
- Technology Support
- Healthcare Management
- Home Delivered meals



To register, please call 914 391-1323

Sally.pinto@yonkersny.gov

See the flyers on the table at the rear of the church!

**FOOD PANTRY:** The food pantry is now open. We can use cereal, juice, pasta, pasta sauce and rice, corn, string beans, canned tuna, and canned fruit.



**YOU CAN DROP OFF YOUR FOOD DONATIONS IN THE BOXES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.**

\*\*\*\*Also, if you would like to make cash donations, you can do so. We use the cash donations to purchase Shoprite gift cards and have already given out some to a few families. St. Bart's has added 4 new families to our list. **May God bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.**

**OUTREACH—Annual Thanksgiving Basket Food Drive**  
The Social Ministry group is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive.  
Suggested Shopping List for Baskets:

Boxed mashed potatoes, boxed scalloped potatoes, canned yams/sweet potatoes, canned vegetables, canned corn, canned green beans, stuffing mix, turkey gravy, olives, crackers, canned fruit, dried fruit and nuts, marshmallows, juice, apple cider, brownie mix, cake mix and frosting, cookies, candy, coffee, tea, and holiday napkins, plates and cups.

**THE COLLECTION WILL BE FROM NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> UNTIL NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>. BASKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED NOV. 23<sup>RD</sup>.**



**FROZEN ITEMS OR FRESH FOODS SUCH AS TURKEYS, PIES ETC. CAN BE DROPPED OFF BEFORE ALL MASSES ON NOVEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> AND NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>.**

*Beginning on November 1<sup>st</sup>, bags will be placed at the rear of the church. You can pick up a bag and then put your donated "Thanksgiving items" in these bags. Thank you for your generosity!!!*

**Prayer for our Brave Men and Women on this Veteran's Day—Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

Almighty God, You are our Creator and Sustainer. You are our Light and our Fortress. You are our Wisdom and our Strength.

Lord, You moved upon men to establish this great nation. You stirred men to hope and to dream for a land of freedom. We praise You for this great nation.

Lord, You have inspired many of our best and brightest to volunteer to proudly stand and defend our beloved country. You have given us brave and loyal men and women who have steadfastly served in their chosen branch of our military.

We remember our military personnel. We acknowledge that their service enables us to walk as free men and women in this great land.

Lord, we seek to honor Your sons and daughters who have served or who are serving our country. We are reminded that because of their service we can live in safety.

We ask that You abundantly bless those who have previously served. May their service time be rewarded in every way. May they gain earthly and heavenly blessings from their unselfish love of country.

Lord, we stop now and remember those who are currently serving. We ask that You provide them with Your protection, Your strength, and Your peace. We ask that You would abundantly provide for all their needs. We ask that You would enable them to overcome every personal and professional obstacle. We ask that You would protect their families from hurt and harm.

May each of our veterans feel honored not just today but every day.

Father, we also give special recognition to our wounded warriors. We realize that many of our heroes are dealing with physical and emotional wounds that occurred as a result of their time of service to our country.

We ask that they would be given the best treatments available and that you would add Your blessings to all the efforts given to them to help them. We ask that You, Lord, would show them miracles as they seek to gain health, stability, and wholeness. We pray these things in Jesus' name. And may all of our deceased veterans rest in peace. Amen



**STEWARDSHIP**

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

**TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing. Program. **We need your financial support especially at this difficult time.**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME, YOU CAN TITHE IN 3 WAYS:**

- Mail in your envelope.
- Register for on line giving. **IT'S EASY!** (see below note).
- Drop off your envelope in the large container covered with a red cloth behind the organ. It is marked with a sign.

**May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought and sign up for on line giving. Thank you!**

**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.saintbartparish.org](http://www.saintbartparish.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, Mary DeSantis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, Larry Mesler, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jerry Esposito, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Rosemarie Bartolomeo, Ann McShane, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy, Dan Panik, Dominick Francis Marra and Walter Duda.

**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.**

**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\*\*\*\*

November 8, 2020

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Mass  for the  
Intentions *Week*

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**Saturday, November 7 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

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**Sunday, November 8, 2020**

**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones  
Peter & Andrea Objay +  
Deceased Members of the Holy Name and  
Rosary Altar Societies  
Fr. Anthony Mbanefo (Living)

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

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**Monday, November 9**

**The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

9:00 AM Louis Barcelo +

**Tuesday, November 10**

**Saint Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church**

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

9:00 AM Linda Orford +

**Wednesday, November 11—Veteran's Day**

**Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop**

9:00 AM Dolores Di Paolo +

**Thursday, November 12**

**Saint Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr**

7:00 AM For the Blessings of Padre Pio

9:00 AM Don Gaetano +

**Friday, November 13**

**Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin**

7:00 AM Minerva Hernandez +

9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

**Saturday, November 14**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Helen Clemens +

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**Saturday, November 14 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

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**Sunday, November 15, 2020**

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones  
Mary & Joseph Cuzzo +  
Helen Clemens +  
Antonio D'Addario +  
Theresa Sarich & Anna Lawrence +  
Audrey & Alfred Falcone +  
Fr. Joseph P. Tierney (Living)  
Ann Pezzola (Living)

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

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**AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

(said now at Mass since we cannot receive Jesus sacramentally during these difficult times).



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. Amen.

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**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,  
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.



**WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR**

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