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29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.” - Lk 18:5

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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
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

Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday (Vigil);
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, 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

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD
CARRYING OUT HIS MISSION**

We tend to think of prayer as an individual, personal phenomenon. But the first reading suggests that prayer can be communal. Moses did not go alone to the top of the hill to raise his arms in supplication to God. He was accompanied by two friends, Aaron and Hur, who eventually supported his arms when Moses tired. All three together lifted their arms to God. In the Gospel Jesus tells His disciples, "Will not God then secure the rights of His chosen ones who call out to Him day and night?" (Luke 18:7). In the light of the parable of the dishonest judge, this suggests that if several people persist in asking for the same thing, God will see that justice is done.

"Keep in touch!" we call out when saying goodbye to a friend we only see occasionally. Jesus, knowing that the day would come when He would be separated from His disciples, could not do the same. Throughout His life, Jesus continually prayed to His Father. This was the way that He was able to keep in touch. Moreover, He was providing a model to His disciples. Through constant and persistent prayer, His disciples could continue to keep in touch.

"Be persistent," Paul charges Timothy in proclaiming God's word, "whether it is convenient or inconvenient" (2 Timothy 4:2). It is not always an easy task, even when it is convenient, but when it is inconvenient it becomes quite a challenge. Yet is it our mission as disciples, to proclaim God's work especially when it is inconvenient. Today, on World Mission Sunday, let us commit ourselves to persist in proclaiming God's word even when it is difficult.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What can I do to carry out God's mission in my life? Will I make time to pray persistently for guidance and support?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael, Ezech, MSP



PARISH NEWS



Parish Pastoral Council: The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will meet this Monday, October 21st at 7:00 pm in the school building. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting.



The **ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD & WINE, ALTAR CANDLES, and SANCTUARY LAMP** have been donated in loving memory of Fiore Brusco and Gloria Brusco Flanagan by Louis and Angela Brusco.



SPONSORED BY THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM AND THE LIONS CLUB—UNWANTED EYEGGLASS COLLECTION

In just about any home, one can find a pair of eyeglasses that are no longer being used. That same pair of eyeglasses can change another person's life. During the month of October, the Religious Education Program is sponsoring an unwanted eyeglass collection in conjunction with the Lions club. There will be a collection box at the rear of the Church for your unwanted eyeglasses, including reading and children's glasses. The glasses will be given to the Lions Club who will then distribute to people in need in developing countries. **No glasses will be accepted after Tuesday, October 29th.**



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. See more details on the back flap of the bulletin.

COME AND JOIN THE ST' BART'S THEATRE GROUP

Auditions will begin on October 26th at 6:30 p.m. in McManus Parish Center. for the Christmas Play which will be on Sunday, December 15th and Tuesday, December 17th. Have some fun as you audition, eat pizza and play some basketball too!! Existing members and new members are welcome. Please RSVP to the Parish Office so we can plan accordingly.



Remember to invite your family and pray the Rosary with them each and every day throughout the month of October. By praying the Rosary you are requesting the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary for the protection of your family and for the faith and strength to accept any hardship you may be encountering in life. Please make a special effort to say the Rosary with your fellow parishioners after the 9 a.m. Masses, at the First Friday and First Saturday Holy Hours or with your family at home.

JOIN US FOR SOME SPOOKY FUN



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IS HOSTING THEIR HALLOWEEN PARTY LOTS OF CRAFTS, GAMES, TREATS, MUSIC AND COSTUME CONTEST.

OPTN TO ALL CHILDREN AND YOUTH OF THE PARISH.

See The flyer in today's bulletin!!

SAVE THE DATE-

POCKETBOOK BINGO DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO:

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND MCMANUS PARISH CENTER STARTS AT 7 PM PLEASE JOIN US FOR ANOTHER FUN FILLED NIGHT AT OUR THIRD POCKETBOOK BINGO. COME AND TEST YOUR CHANCES AT WINNING A DESIGNER HANDBAG!!!!



FORMED

We hope you are enjoying the free parish subscription to www.formed.org which gives you access to quality Catholic on line programs, movies, audios, and books. Simply register with parish code YWHDC2 and enjoy.

WATCH: True Reformers, Saints of the Catholic Reformation. Wealthy and headstrong, Teresa was an unlikely choice for a great reformer. But after years as a complacent Carmelite, she learned from divine inspiration what living totally for God could be.

Our YOUTH GROUP meets in the school building on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is this Sunday, October 20th. Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St_Barts-Youth.



Our EDGE GROUP (AGES 11-13) meets in the school building on the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is Sunday, November 10th.

Our CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10) meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building. Their next meeting is Saturday, October 26th for their Halloween party from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Held after the 9 a.m. Mass on Mondays.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Join your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary after the 9 a.m. Mass on weekdays and Saturdays.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

October 13, 2019- Tithing

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Rows: Envelopes (\$6,408.80), Online (\$ 510.00), Total (\$ 6,918.80)

"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 Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, 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, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Carol Stola, Rosemarie Bartolomeo, Ann McShane, Frank Marra, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia and Brianna Whitehead.

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

EUCCHARISTIC DEVOTION: Held the First Friday of every month at 1 p.m. Please join us when you are able.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION: Held the First Saturday of every month at 3 p.m. All are encouraged to participate.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Reverend James E. Burke,

Reverend John F. Reardon, Reverend William Eugene Williams, Reverend Virgilio Competente and Deacon Abraham Santiago.

October 20, 2019

Mass  *for the*
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, October 19 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Ralph Verderosa +

Sunday, October 20, 2019

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Giacomo & Blanche Bilancia +

10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish

11:30 AM Ellen McCormack +

5:00 PM Angelica Perez +

Monday, October 21

Weekday

7:00 AM Fiore Brusco & Gloria Brusco Flanagan +

9:00 AM Steve Genovesi +

Tuesday, October 22

Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph, Peter & John Ngo +

9:00 AM Edythe Lutomski +

Wednesday, October 23

Weekday

7:00 AM Angela Chimenti (Living)

9:00 AM Vincenzo & Marietta De Santis +

Thursday, October 24

Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph Nguyen +

9:00 AM Gloria Joseph +

Friday, October 25

Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph, Maria & Anna Nguyen +

9:00 AM Marjorie A. Mauro +

Saturday, October 26

Weekday

9:00 AM Eugene Brown +

Saturday, October 26 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Joseph G. Mahoney +

Sunday, October 27, 2019

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Elizabeth & Carl Laredo+

10:00 AM Leonard Spano +

11:30 AM Bob McKeon +

5:00 PM Theresa Dippolito +

October 20, 2019

**WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC OR LEARN MORE ABOUT THE
CATHOLIC FAITH?**

Do any of these describe you? Check all that apply and return.

- I have never been Baptized and want to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- I was Baptized as a Christian, and I wish to become Catholic.
- I was Baptized Catholic but have not received any other Sacraments.
- I am Married to a Catholic and would like to receive the Sacraments.
- I am Baptized, made my First Communion, but was never Confirmed.
- I have a friend that would like to become Catholic.
- My _____ needs to make their First Communion and Confirmation.

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Please return to: Cheryl Duda, St. Bartholomew's Religious Ed or drop in collection basket or call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676.

LOCAL EVENTS

A Medicare Seminar is being held at Sacred Heart Cafeteria this Sunday, October 20th at 2 p.m. Please RSVP if interested to the Parish Office of Sacred Heart at 914 963-4205.

Forty Hours Devotion at St. Paul the Apostle Church, Yonkers, October 27th, 28th, and 29th. Opening Mass is October 27th at 12:15 p.m. followed by Adoration until 10p.m. October 28th Adoration will be from 9:30a.m.– 10p.m. and October 29th Adoration will be from 9:30a.m.– 7p.m. with the closing Mass at 7p.m.

St. Catharine Academy, a Catholic college prep school for girls invites prospective students and their families to Open House, Sunday, October 27th, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Tour our school, speak with students, and meet faculty and administration. To register, visit our website, www.scahs.org. Information night for prospective students, Wednesday, October 30th 6:30-8:00 pm. Meet faculty, tour our school.

The St. Catharine Academy Card Party, Thursday, October 24th, 7:00 PM, at Maestro's Caterers, 1703 Bronxdale Avenue, Bronx, NY. \$55.00 per person. Valet parking, delicious dinner, great prizes. To purchase tickets online go to www.scahs.org/cardparty/, or call Donna Bellaby, 1-646-403-1751

OFFICE OF LITURGY, ARCHDIOCESE OF NY: ORGAN FEST:

St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, NY on Saturday, November 23rd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets: \$20-\$35.00.

Are you a church musician – or merely a fan of great organ music? Join us for a day dedicated to celebrating and enjoying the "king of instruments" – the pipe organ! You'll hear from Jared Lamenzo, director of music at the Basilica of Old St. Patrick's Cathedral; enjoy breakout sessions with some of New York's finest Catholic musicians; have the chance to participate in a roundtable discussion with representatives of three of the world's most renowned organ builders; and enjoy an "all-star" concert on the Seminary's 41-rank Casavant Frères pipe organ. Tickets can be purchased at nyliturgy.org/organfest.