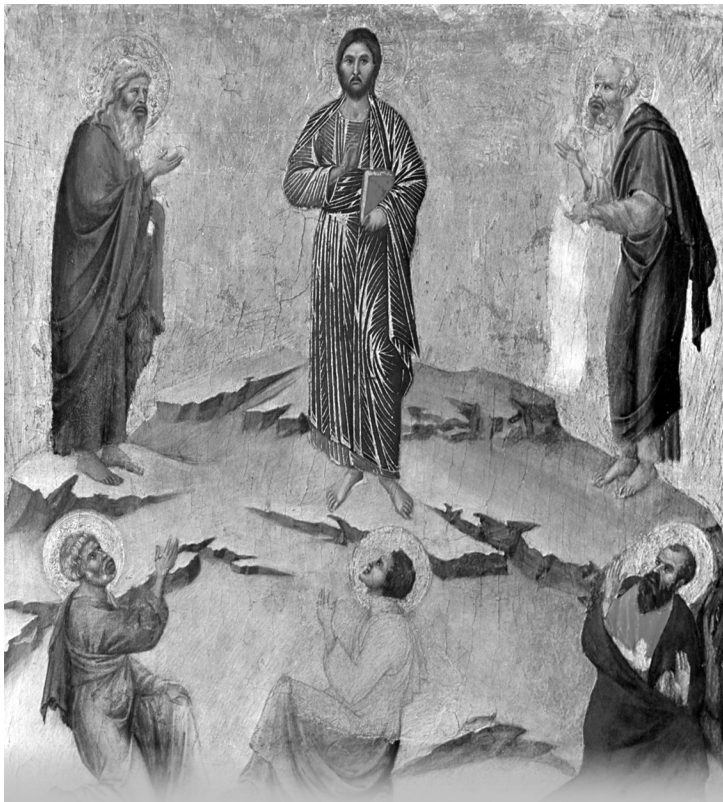


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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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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

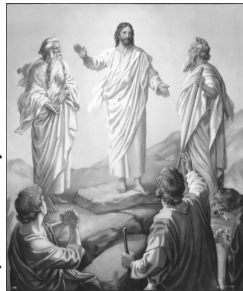
Trustees: Angela Brusco, Louis Caloia

A GLIMPSE OF HIS GLORY



Matthew's Transfiguration was proclaimed early this year on the Second Sunday of Lent, its "glimpse of glory" meant to assist our Lenten journey towards Easter rebirth. Now, just before summer turns to autumn, it provides encouragement for the longer-than-Lent pilgrimage and struggle of life itself.

Historically linked to the Feast of Tabernacles, there is a triumphant note of harvest ingathering. The "dying" required for any harvest is not far below the surface. Matthew alludes to the Passion in the descent from the mount after the glimpse of glory passes: "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead" (Matthew 17:9). Each disciple must embrace Christ's passion, our only pathway to the Transfiguration's promise of human nature restored in Christ. Icons show the white of Christ's robe spilling onto the robes of Peter, James, and John, the Master's glory shared with His disciples. But these same disciples accompany him to Gethsemane. Becoming light from and with the Lord requires that the disciples be burned by the purifying, transforming light of the Passion.



In the second reading, Peter gives his eyewitness account of the Transfiguration, together with wisdom gained in the time since he came down from the mountaintop. He reminds us to attend to the Transfiguration's glimpse of glory "as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts" (2 Peter 1:19).

What peak experience do you hold onto, or what experience holds onto you? How does it help you when it is time to bear your cross and share in Jesus' passion?

(Pastoral Patterns, Summer)

Blessings and Peace to you.

Fr. Raphael Ezeh

PARISH NEWS



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS: Religious Education classes have ended for this semester but will begin again the first week of September. Please spread the word that registrations are now being accepted.

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. It is open to adults who: have never been baptized and would prepare for all three sacraments; were baptized in a non-Catholic Christian denomination and are interested in becoming Catholic and would prepare for Confirmation and First Communion; or were baptized Catholic but never received Confirmation and/or Communion and would prepare for the sacraments they have not yet received.



Please contact Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676 if you or somebody you know might be interested in the program.

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. Today is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. See the Study: Lectio: Peter, Session 6: *In the Shadow of the Galilean* or Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 2: *Divine Revelation* or Session 5: *Who is Jesus?* Or listen to Audios, *Who Do You Say That I Am?*, *Jesus Is...*, *This Changes Everything*, or *Theology for Beginners* (Further info. contact Cheryl Duda-914-476-6676).

MISSIONARY APPEAL NEXT SUNDAY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

Each year the Archdiocesan Office for The Society for the Propagation of the Faith sponsors the Missionary Cooperative Appeal. This year our Parish is pleased to welcome, Monica Yehle who will speak to us on behalf of the Propagation of the Faith. Monica will be with us at all Masses next weekend, August 12th and August 13th. She will talk about the many challenges missionaries face daily which we might take for granted. The second collection at each Mass next weekend will be sent to the Propagation of the Faith Office to support the needs of mission Dioceses and Religious Communities. Evangelization is at the heart of the Church's mission throughout the world, and we ask you to be as generous as your means allow in next weeks second collection.



SOCIAL MINISTRY: Our food pantry has a need for the following items: pasta sauce, rice, coffee and paper towels. Please keep this in mind on your next trip to the supermarket. Thank you for your continuing support!!

ADOPTION OPPORTUNITY: Children in China, need homes. More boys are available than girls from age two and up. Older parents and single women are welcomed. For more information, please call Barbara Salvesen at 845 623-5277.



Friday September 22, 2017

St. Bartholomew's Parish will host a Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage, conducted by Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality North American Volunteers, on Friday September 22nd at 7pm. The Virtual Pilgrimage is a guided spiritual journey offering the experience of Lourdes in a local interactive "pilgrimage event" without leaving home. Touch a piece of the Grotto Rock, experience the precious water from the Grotto spring, and receive a Eucharistic Blessing as in Lourdes. Pope Francis grants a plenary indulgence to all who experience Lourdes through a virtual pilgrimage with the North American Volunteers. This is a very special opportunity afforded our parish so we ask that you mark this date on your calendar now so that you may attend. For more information, please contact Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
Sunday Collection Update

Amount Needed Weekly \$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday \$5,338.05
Balance - \$1,661.95
*(Envelopes \$5,118.05, Online \$220.00)

Amount Needed for Month of July \$35,000.00
Amount Collected Thus Far \$29,179.70

PARISH BLOCK PARTY CELEBRATING THE
FEAST OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW
Saturday, August 26, 6-10 p.m.
Please join us for a fun filled evening.



"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!

Our YOUTH GROUP meets on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass, in the school building. Their next meeting is this Sunday, August 6th. Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St_Barts-Youth.



As you plan and enjoy your summer and vacations, please do not forget your financial obligations to our Parish. God bless and keep you all!

LOCAL EVENTS

Capuchin Youth and Family Ministries

Capuchin Youth Leadership Training, Aug 25-27, 2017; Join the thousands of teens CYFM has helped become more confident in themselves and skilled in public speaking, communicating effectively, understanding group dynamics and facilitating groups, developing and delivering effective presentations, enhancing self-esteem, and time management--as well as how to combine all those skills for utilization in Evangelization as authentic Christian leaders. Even those who don't consider themselves leaders WILL benefit from the authenticity and skill-training offered in this motivational and inspiring program. Be prepared to be transformed into the person that God is calling you to be! Fee \$125.00 per person includes lodging, meals, and materials; application and non-refundable \$60.00 deposit due by 8/22/17. Find more info. on the web: cyfm.org. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries, 781 Route 9D, PO Box 192, Garrison, NY 10524. (845) 424-3609. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Flocknote: CYFMGarrison.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Marian Fletcher, Ann Lackner, Richard Meyers, Rosalie Heit, Andrea Objay, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Michael Tomanelli, Ariella Castillo, Gail Chappory, Randolph Castillo, Jr., Deacon Jim Byrne, Gregory Clemens, Florence McCormack, Mary Bryce, Anna Bonacci, Efrain Arzola, Henry Joseph, Deacon Bob Clemens, Carolyn Cesta, William Bodack, Joseph Mahoney, Mary De Santis, Leticia Agosto, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Gina Obalde, Rosalia Guzman, Ann McGarry, Florence B. Swetz, Daniel Pezzola, Brittany Arzola, Ron and Sally Petro, Anthony Guarente, Theresa Venturino, Nicholas Arzola, Angela Lutomski and Richard (Dick) Novak.

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

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.

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.

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, NY. Their next meeting is Thursday, August 17th at 1 p.m. New members are welcome. The group is also holding its annual Mass at Christ the King Church, 740 North Broadway, Yonkers, NY on September 17, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. followed by Communion Breakfast immediately after the Mass at the Fairways at Dunwoodie Golf Course. Cost is \$23. For more information, please call 914 423-5331. All are welcome.

August 6, 2017

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Saturday, August 5 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

Sunday, August 6

8:30 AM Carl Laredo+

10:00 AM Mary & Joseph Prior +

11:30 AM Luciano & Sal LaBruzzo +

5:00 PM Lorraine Vivian +

Monday, August 7

Weekday

7:00 AM Cosimo Fiorentino +

9:00 AM Donato Sacchetta +

Tuesday, August 8

Saint Dominic, Priest

7:00 AM Peace & Blessings for the Nguyen Family

9:00 AM Margaret T. Maccia +

Wednesday, August 9

Weekday

7:00 AM Peace & Blessings for the Ngo Family

9:00 AM Harold W. Smith, III +

Thursday, August 10

Saint Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

7:00 AM Peace & Blessings for the Phan Family

9:00 AM Richard Weller +

Friday, August 11

Saint Clare, Virgin

7:00 AM All Souls

9:00 AM Benjamin & Corzaon Sotto +

Saturday, August 12

Weekday

9:00 AM Lida Bertolotti (Living)

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 12 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Frank C. Como +

Sunday, August 13

8:30 AM Rose Marie Yannicelli +

10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish

11:30 AM Ilona Franklin +

5:00 PM Catherine Draghi +

August 6, 2017

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

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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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 complete

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 Rectory. 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.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

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THE HOMEBOUND

St. Bartholomew's Parish wishes to show our love and care for our members who for reasons of health or infirmity cannot be with us as we gather for Mass each week. Our aim is for all parishioners who are homebound, permanently or temporarily, to be visited by a Priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion on a regular basis.



Often we will hear of someone who is homebound and has not been receiving the Eucharist for a long time, although this individual may have been, during healthier times, a very devout Catholic. Often we will hear that the person did not want to "bother anyone" or put anyone out." Often these individuals become our "hidden

Catholics' and we sometimes don't learn of them until years later when we celebrate their funeral liturgy.

We want our sick and homebound to know they are valued members of our parish and we want to bring Jesus to them. However, we need your help. These individuals are often hidden in our community and only a neighbor knows of their presence. Please help by personally contacting those homebound Catholics whom you know of and tell them of our availability and deep desire to bring the Eucharist to them. We are flexible and very willing to work around their personal needs and schedules. If you know of a homebound Catholic who would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact Cheryl Duda of the Liturgy Committee at 914 476-6676, or the Parish office at 914 965-0566.