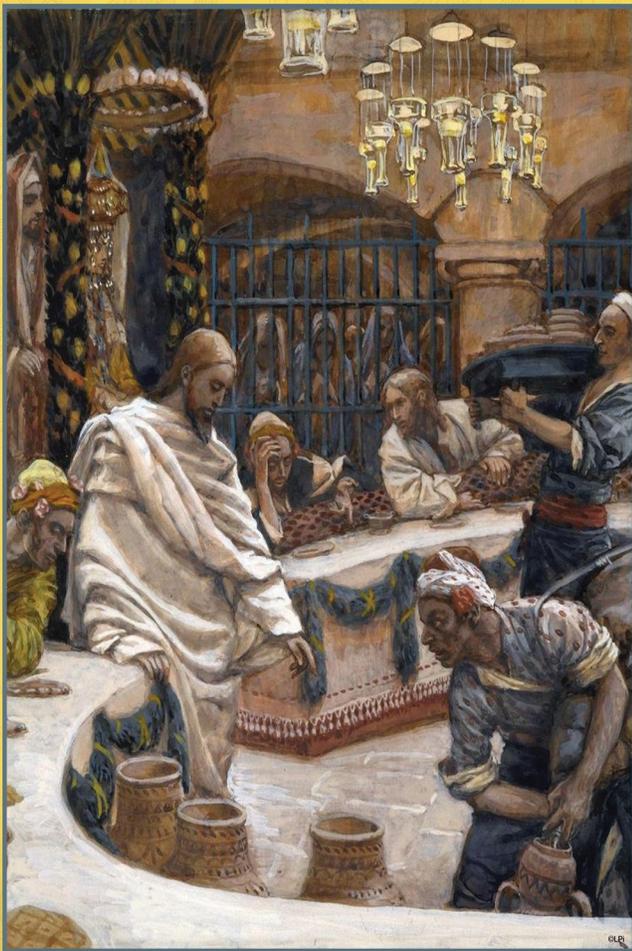


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2nd SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - Jn 2:4

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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
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 and 11:30 a.m. 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

TRANSFORM YOUR LIFE THROUGH GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT



Timing is everything they say, and we often put things off until a “better time. The exiles returning from Babylon to a desolate Jerusalem certainly didn’t feel that it was time to rejoice. How demoralizing it must have been to return home only to find it laid waste. Hearing Isaiah’s enthusiastic words, people must have thought him daft. Centuries later, Jesus had just begun His ministry; His “hour” - His passion and what followed—was long in the future. Attending a neighbor’s wedding (Cana was nine miles north of Nazareth) did not seem to be a time to begin manifesting His glory. But despite the timing, He acted. Three years later Jesus the bridegroom would consummate His marriage to His bride the Church at “His hour,” on the cross, when He gave His life for humanity.

According to John, it was just three days after his baptism that Jesus attended this wedding at Cana. In the presence of His newly called disciples, He transformed the water into wine. At the Last Supper, in the presence of all His disciples for the last time before His death, Jesus changed the wine into His blood. Today, at this Eucharistic feast, gathered with fellow disciples and in the presence of the Lord, once again the wine is transformed into His blood. John says what happened in Cana was the beginning of Jesus’ signs. But as we witness today and every time we gather for the Eucharist, there is no end to these signs.



In partaking in the Eucharist, we are transformed by Christ’s body and Blood. No matter how we feel about ourselves, we are not forsaken or desolate. We are God’s children, each a cause for God’s rejoicing, continually transformed and renewed in holiness as Christians.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What gifts that the Spirit gives me can I use to make a transformation in my life or for those I know?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP



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.



DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR'S BIRTHDAY : This Monday, January 17th is a legal holiday. **The Parish Office will be closed;** and there will be one Mass at 9 a.m. on that day. For the week of January 17th the parish office will be open on Wednesday and Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM.

The Religious Ed Program is once again sponsoring a used eyeglass collection in partnership with the local Lions Club. At various mission sites in poorer countries, eye care professionals along with Lions Club volunteers will perform vision screenings and dispense the appropriate recycled glasses, free of charge, to children and adults in need who otherwise would not be able to afford glasses.

So please help give the gift of sight to those in need by bringing your old eyeglasses and those of your friends, relatives and neighbors to the church before January 30th. A box marked for eyeglasses will be on the back table of the church for you to deposit your donated glasses.

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.



A FORGOTTEN THANK YOU

A special thank you to Bob and Marcy Fandel for helping in the decorating of the church for Christmas. Our apologies for not including you both in last week's special thank you. And to all those who helped to de-decorate the church, we appreciate all of the efforts as well!

Thank you to those who contribute to our food pantry.

For Christmas, 15 baskets were distributed to needy families. From our Giving Tree, 300 Christmas presents were distributed. 22 Ziti and rice and beans trays were made for Immaculate Conception in the Bronx. 100 clothing items were distributed from our clothing drive.



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED. WE APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY.



THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S IS AS FOLLOWS:

MASSES
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
 7 AM AND 9 AM
SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM
SUNDAY MASSES
 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 5 PM

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

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS, LPI

**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.** Thank you!!!!



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

January 2nd
Sunday collection: \$2,027.00
On Line giving: \$1,200.00
Total: \$3,227.00

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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, Deacon Bob Clemens, 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 & Rosalia Guzman.

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.

LOCAL NEWS

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization that helps to meet the needs of its membership. They meet on the third Thursday of the month at St. Ann's Church in Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, at 1:00pm. Their next meeting will be held on this Thursday January 20th. For more information, please call 914 423-5331 or email CatholicWWofYonkers@gmail.com. New members are welcome.

January 16 2022

Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, January 15 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Harold Red Thela +

Sunday, January 16, 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Annetrude Cordes +

11:30 AM Vincent J. Campisi +

5:00 PM For All the People of the Parish

Monday, January 17

St. Anthony, Abbot

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

9:00 AM John Mc Ardle +

Tuesday, January 18

Weekday

7:00 AM Charles Yaskovic +

9:00 AM Denis LaValle +

Wednesday, January 19

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM John Nieman +

Thursday, January 20

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

Friday, January 21

Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Amelia Gagliardi +

Saturday, January 22

**Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn
Children**

9:00 AM Rosalie & Isadore Heit +

Saturday, January 22 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Linda Orford +

Sunday, January 23, 2022

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Jack Gronowski & William Bruder +

Arlene Tiplady +

11:30 AM Reverend Patrick J. Mee +

5:00 PM For All the People of the Parish

January 16, 2022

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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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

