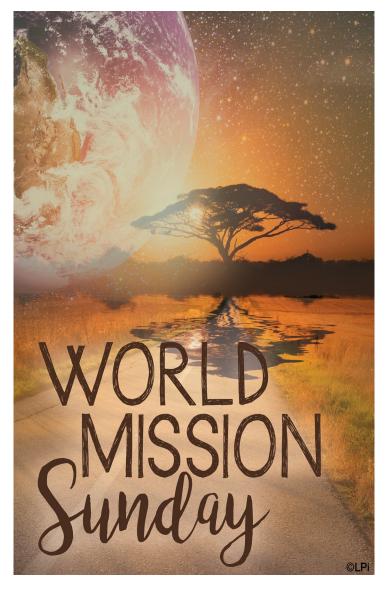
Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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. 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

St. Bartholomew's Church **Yonkers**

IN EVERYTHING WE BELONG TO GOD

"Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar?" (Matthew22:17). For a faithful Jew whose Promised Land was occupied by Gentile Rome, this was really several questions in one. Since God



prohibits graven images, was it lawful to traffic in coins that bore the image of an emperor who claimed divine status, to acknowledge the emperor's authority, t fund the emperor's projects? If Jesus agreed with the tax, He'd scandalize the

devout by failing to champion God's sovereignty. If Jesus opposed the tax. He'd be considered an anti-Roman revolutionary.

Jesus's response is sometimes interpreted as having it both ways. But that's precisely what Jesus is not doing. Jesus refuses to split

discrete life into two compartments, independent of each other, God getting one part of me, the "real world" where I live and work getting the other. Caesar must be given what is Caesar's, says Jesus. But what is Caesar's? "The coin that pays the census tax" (Matthew 22:19)... What is God's? Everything else—our heart, soul, values, moral judgments, our ultimate allegiance.



For someone who belongs wholly to God, no part of life is strictly "sacred" or "secular." Everything, everyone is God's, who calls even the pagan King Cyrus "my anointed....though you know me not" (Isiah 45:1, 4). A nation's most loyal citizens are those who, enlightened by Jesus' gospel, are at once loving critics of the political system in which they live and critical lovers—affirming the good wherever it is found, calling evil by its name, witnessing prophetically and when necessary, heroically

How am I already exercising faithful, responsible citizenship? Is it time for me to join or initite a concrete outreach to identify and address specific needs in my community?

Pastoral Patterns, Autumn 2017

We wish Father Anthony a blessed 25th Anniversary Celebration with his friends and family back home in Nigeria. Our prayers are also with him as he celebrates a Memorial Mass for his cousin, Uche Mbanefo.

Blessings and Peace!!

Father Raphael Ezeh, MSP

PARISH NEWS



FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

Children in public school who will be entering First Grade through High School in September are eligible for these Religious **Education** classes. Evening classes are available to accommodate the children of working parents. Besides grade level classes, instruction prepares children for Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation.

Please call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 for more information.

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.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS SUPPORT OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN. WON'T YOU JOIN US?

Throughout the month of October, we will be accepting items to be packaged and mailed to our service men and women to help make the time they serve a little more enjoyable and so that they know we have not forgotten them. Preferred items may be placed in the specially marked bins at the back of the church on the rectory side or in the school hallway each week. Items must be received by October 29th. LAST **CHANCE**

BE "INFORMED" FOR OCTOBER

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. On October 22nd we honor St Pope John Paul II. Watch John Paul II: I Kept Looking for You, Pope John Paul II, or John Paul the great. You can also Study: Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told or 33 Days to Morning Glory, Week 4: Pope St. John Paul II. (For further info call Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676).

NOVENA MASSES FOR ALL SOULS:



Thursday, November 2nd, is All Souls Day. We will have a 9 day Novena of Masses for all our departed loved ones beginning on Thursday, November 2nd through Friday, November 10th. If you would like your loved ones to be remembered at these Masses, kindly fill out the "All Souls" envelope found in your envelope packet or on the

tables at the rear of the Church, include your stipend, and drop it in the Collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office during the week.

Don't forget to bring your pennies and put them in the containers at the rear of the church. All proceeds will be donated to St. Paul's School in Abuja, Nigeria, a school funded and administered by the Missionary Society of St. Paul.



PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

FAMILY BREAKFAST COMING NOVEMBER 5th, DECEMBER 3rd, AND JANUARY 7th AFTER THE 8:30, 10:00 AND 11:30 A.M. MASSES



Join us after the three morning Masses for some breakfast and social time with your fellow parishioners.



NEXT MOVIE THURSDAY

Thursday, November 16th Finding St. Anthony, A Story of Loss & Light

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: TODAY is Mission Sunday—a day

that leads us to the heart of our Christian faith—leads us to mission! Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious and lay leaders in the Missions who share our faith with those most in need. This year we can even "chat" with our chief missionary, Pope Francis, and learn more about his missions and missionaries. Learn more at ChatWithThePope.org. Pray—Give this World Mission Sunday.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS BACK AT ST. BART'S

WE WILL BE HOSTING THE NEW YORK DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S SCHOOL ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 FROM 10 AM



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Completion of the course reduces up to 4 points on your driver's licenses and will lower your auto liability and collision insurance premiums by 10% for three years!!

Cost of the course is only \$49. To enroll, please call the Parish office at 914 965-0566 or Chris Morea at 718 824-9698.

LOCAL EVENTS

<u>St. Catherine's Academy</u> is hosting a card party on Thursday, October 26th at Maestro's Caterers, 170 3Bronxdale Ave., Bronx. Cost is \$55 per person. Valet parking, delicious dinner and great prizes. To purchase tickets online, go to scahs.ejoinme.org or call Donna at 646 403-1751.

St. Paul the Apostle Parish Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday, November 4th from 10 am to 4 pm at 602 McLean Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10705. Come, taste and enjoy the hospitality of Ann & Annette's Country Kitchen. Take a chance at the Chinese Auction. There will be toys, jewelry, clothing, furniture, raffles and prizes galore. Have your picture taken with Santa. Vendors welcome, call 914 965-9333.

<u>Knights of Columbus</u>— <u>Fundraising Dinner</u>, to Benefit St. Joseph's Seminary on Monday, November 13th, at 6:30 pm Dinner, \$40 per person. For more information, contact Chris Cohen at 914 813-3025. See the flyers at the back of the church.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

<u>City Carrier Assistants in Post Offices</u> in Westchester, Putnam, Orange, Dutchess, Columbia, Rockland, Sullivan Ulster and Greene Counties—Apply at http://usps.com, scroll down to USPS jobs, select career.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

Amount Needed Weekly \$7,000.00 Actual Received Last Sunday \$6,765.95 Balance - \$ 234.05

*(Envelopes \$6,765.95, Online (unavailable this week, due to transition of Parish Pay to WeShare (LPI). Will be reported at end of month)).

Amount Needed for Month of October \$35,000.00 Amount Collected Thus Far \$18,708.90

Please note that the online giving program Parish Pay.com is in the process of migrating to LPI's WeShare Service. The transition started on October 9th. See the flyers at the rear of the church or contact the Parish Office for more information.

"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!



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, 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, Daniel Pezzola, Brittany Arzola, Ron and Sally Petro, Anthony Guarente, Theresa Venturino, Nicholas Arzola, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Eileen Fitzpatrick and Cynthia Mascetta King.

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

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 will be Sunday, November 5th.



Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St Barts-Youth.



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, October 21 (Anticipated Mass)

Sunday, October 22, 2017

8:30 AM Elizabeth & Carl Laredo +

10:00 AM Edythe Lutomski +

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

5:00 PM Angelica Perez +

Monday, October 23

Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph, Maria & Anna Nguyen +

9:00 AM Angela Chimenti (Living)

Tuesday, October 24

Weekday

7:00 AM Anthony, Maria & Theresa Hoang +

9:00 AM Brittany Pezzola (Living)

Wednesday, October 25

Weekday

7:00 AM Peter Sr. & Peter Jr. Tran +

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Corbo Family

Thursday, October 26

Weekday

7:00 AM Fr. Ambrose Khong + 9:00 AM Elizabeth Liga +

Friday, October 27

Weekday

7:00 AM Theresa Khuat + 9:00 AM Florence McCormack +

Saturday, October 28

Weekday

9:00 AM Vincenza Di Leo +

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, October 28 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Ralph Verderosa +

Sunday, October 29, 2017

8:30 AM Lucyanne Caruso +

10:00 AM Deceased Member of the Baumeister Family

11:30 AM Deacon Anthony Merchandetti + 5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

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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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.

NIGHTFEVER NYC is coming back to St. Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday, November 18th

On this night Nightfever NYC will be hosting a night of praise, worship and reconciliation at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. All will have the opportunity to pray before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament as well as light candles to honor Our Lord. The evening of music and prayer will start at 7 pm and end at 9 pm. Confessions will be heard throughout the night. Come and be a part of this night, where the Cathedral will have its doors open to all New Yorkers, so that hey can come, pray and love the Lord. For more information, e mail nightfevernyc@gmail.com

TEENS: You know that longing in your heart?...you were created with it; that insatiable need to connect?...you were born with it. What exactly is it, and what can you do about it? Come on Day By Day Agape Retreat and find out. Teen Boys: 7pm Nov. 10th – 5pm Nov 12th. \$140 for materials, meals & lodging. Registration deadline: All paperwork and non-refundable \$75 deposit are due on Nov. 7th. (deduct \$10 for Early Bird Special if registered by October 31st). Contact Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries, 781 Route 9D, PO Box 192, Garrison NY, (845) 424-3609.