# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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# **6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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"Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh." - Lk 6:21

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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

## St. Bartholomew's Church

#### GOD REASSURES US ALWAYS

Jeremiah paints a beautiful image of a tree by a gentl



stream, cool, and refreshed no matter the conditions, in describing those who trust in God. Paul echoes that sentiment when he encourages the Corinthians to trust that we will be raised from the dead, to live eternal-

ly in the kingdom of God that Jesus promises to the poor in the gospel.

Luke repeatedly stresses how important it was for Jesus to speak to the Father, to spend time with Him in prayer. The night before teaching the Beatitudes Jesus went up a mountain to pray. That morning He gathered His disciples and chose the twelve whom He called His apostles. After this they all came down the mountain and Jesus preached to them, all His disciples, and the crowds from around Judea and even outside of Palestine. His words were directed toward Jews and Gentiles alike. But perhaps the final beatitude, the one which He described at length, was directed especially toward the twelve disciples He had just chosen. He knew that they would face hate and insults and they would be excluded or even denounced. This was a way to assure them that God remained always on their side.

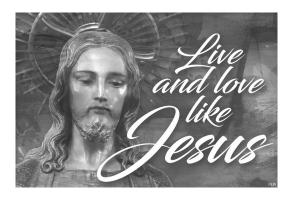
Just last week we heard Jesus call Peter, James, and John, telling them they would be fishing for other disciples, not for fish. They left everything behind to follow Him. Today we hear Jesus make a different kind of call for transformation. Jesus did not want—nor does God want—those who are prosperous and contented to be comfortable and satisfied with their condition. Misery is sure to come to them. Jesus makes it clear that God blesses those who are hurting. We would be wise to transform out of our complacency. God's blessings are stronger than whatever we have gained in this world.

#### QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

When have I felt frightened or foolish by doing something I felt called to do? How has God reassured me and given me confidence?

#### Blessings

Father Raphael





#### THE HOURS FOR THE PARISH OFFICE ARE AS

FOLLOWS:Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10AM to 2 PM.The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesdayand Thursday.





THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE is donated in loving memory of Daniel Pezzola by the Pezzola Family.

THE ALTAR CANDLES AND THE SANCTUARY LAMP are lit in loving memory of Daniel Pezzola by the Pezzola Family.





**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.

# The St. Valentine who inspired the holiday may have been two different men.

Recognized by the Roman Catholic Church, St. Valentine is known to be a real person who died around However, his true A.D. 270. identity was questioned as early as A.D. 496 by Pope Gelasius I, who referred to the martyr and his acts as "being known only to God." One account from the 1400s describes Valentine as a temple priest who was beheaded near Rome by the emperor Claudius II for helping Christian couples wed. different account claims А Valentine was the Bishop of Terni, also martyred by Claudius II on the outskirts of Rome. Because of the similarities of these accounts, it's thought they may refer to the same person. Enough confusion surrounds the true identity of St. Valentine that the Catholic Church discontinued liturgical veneration



of him in 1969, though his name remains on its list of officially recognized saints.

#### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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 **Planted Near Water**

We all know that there are times when life can feel, as Jeremiah writes, empty and wasted. There are moments when we think we resemble a barren bush, thirsting in the desert sun.

That's why it is imperative for us to know the location of our water source. I promise you, it's closer than you think. God never planted a seed in barren ground.

For me, it's the Mass. Going to Mass is where I find total peace and renewal. I don't have any great theological explanation for this — Mass is simply where I can truly rest in God for a time, where nothing and no one in the world can touch me. And wouldn't you know it, it's in the toughest times that I need Mass the most — that my roots stretch harder for that water.

Woe to the rich, says Jesus — woe to the popular, to the content, to the happy. It's not because He hates to see us smile. It's because He knows our humanity. He knows our limitations. He knows that when things are going really well, we often stop looking for God.

What replenishes you as a disciple, as a steward, as a Christian? If it feels far away or hard to reach, why is that? How can you bring it closer?

We are all trees planted near water, to yield our fruit in due season. Let's pray for the strength to know where our water source is, and to seek it both in good times and in bad.

> *— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* LPI

#### Attention busy Catholic family men, professionals and students:

The Knights of Columbus online membership program allows Catholic men (ages 18+) and their families to enjoy the benefits of the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization at their own convenience. In addition to many web-based spiritual resources, online members have access to the top-rated Knights of Columbus life insurance program as well as the option (but not the obligation) to transfer their membership to a local Knights of Columbus council.

Contact Rob Maffucci at 917 319-5525 or Robert.maffucci@kofc.org for a special promo code on kofc.org/ JoinUs that will unlock a special limited time no-risk offer of one full year of **FREE** online membership. Bob can also connect men interested in traditional membership with the officers of a nearby Knights of Columbus council.



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

SUNDAY COLLECTION January 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday collection: \$1,550.00 On Line giving: \$ 980.00 Total: \$2,530.00

#### 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 donation s, 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!!!! <u>IT'S EASY!!!</u> Go to: www.saintbartsparish.org (<u>BE SURE TO SPELL OUT</u> <u>SAINT</u>) 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.



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, Tony Sciacca, and Megan Weingarten.

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.

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February 13 2022



#### Saturday, February 12 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Vito Traversa +

#### Sunday, February 13, 2022 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM	Deceased Members of Holy Name &
	Rosary Altar Societies
	Theresa Venturino +
11:30 AM	Mary & Albert Gregorio +
5:00 PM	Daniel Pezzola +
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#### Monday, February 14

### Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop Valentine's Day 7:00 AM Megan Weingarten (Living)

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9:00 AM	Song & Maria Phan +

#### **Tuesday, February 15**

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	Anna Phan Nguyen +

#### Wednesday, February 16

Weekday	
7:00 AM	Robert & Lillian Kurtz +
9:00 AM	Luigi Lucchetti +

#### Thursday, February 17 Weekdey

Weekday	
7:00 AM	Rosalie & Isadore Heit +
9:00 AM	Hildeliza Martinez +

#### Friday, February 18

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	Carmine & Margaret Maccia +

# Saturday, February 19

Weekday 9:00 AM Mary Esposito +

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Saturday, February 19 (Anticipated Mass) 5:00 PM In Honor of Christian Civlization

#### Sunday, February 20, 2022 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM	Elizabeth Feroleto +
11:30 AM	Arnaldo De Sanctis +
5:00 PM	For All The People of Our Parish

## February 13, 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. Every family and single adult to be considered

an active parishioner of St. Bartholomew's Parish must be properly

registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection

Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor issue documents attesting to Catholic practice of the faith and Parish membership, e.g. a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. For further 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 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:

- $\Box$  I am interested in parish membership.
- $\Box$  I am a visitor.
- $\hfill\square$  Change of Address / Telephone Number.
- $\Box$  I am moving out of the Parish.
- $\Box$  I am going to the hospital.
- $\Box$  I would like to be visited by a priest / minister.
- $\Box$  Please send me the Catholic New York.

#### WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

#### 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Will We Really Get IL SURe! OUR BODIES Back IN THE RESURRECTION? SENDER LEDES BOHM <u>\_\_\_\_</u> L. I'VE GOTTE START Taking Better care of TUis THING! 1513,16-20