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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." - Mt 28:19 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LPi

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 Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Office Manager Cheryl Duda, Religious Education Coordinator

Rectory/Parish Office: (914) 965-0566 Religious Education Office: (914) 476-6676

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

9:30, **11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass)** 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

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THE EUCHARIST TRANSFORMS US

When we hear in the first reading that Moses sprinkled animal blood on the people, we recoil. None of us would want to be a part of that ancient practice, even if we're not wearing our Sunday best. But this is the tradition that Jesus and all his disciples



know. Blood was regarded as the life force. It animated a covenant, actively binding the parties, which in this case were God and the people. When Jesus gives them the cup and says, "this is my blood of the covenant," they know what He's alluding to (Mark 14:24). But this is not the same kind of blood that Moses used. This He says is his own blood, shed for many. He is the one who is sacrificed and it is His blood that animates a new covenant between God and us. This cup of eternal salvation binds us to new life.

Jesus and the disciples came together that night to celebrate the Passover, that feast of passing over from captivity to freedom, from death to life, from condemnation to salvation. Christ, the new Passover, transformed the meal to lead them and us to a new freedom, freedom from the condemnation of sin; a new life, a life of the Resurrection; and a new salvation, the eternal salvation of the kingdom of God. Gathered today to celebrate that meal yet again, our faith informs us that Jesus is present, the eternal sacrifice, body broken and blood poured out, transforming us anew.

Change is difficult. Difficult for us humans. When we try to make a transformation in the way we are, the way we act, or the way we feel, no matter how much we want to, it can be tough to achieve lasting change. We are reminded of this every New Year's. Our power, even over our own selves, has its limits, like it or not. Last week, we heard Jesus tell His disciples, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me" (Matthew 28:18). Indeed it has, for today we see Jesus transform a loaf of unleavened bread into His body and a cup of wine into his very blood. And not just in the Gospel, for we also witness that power, come among us through the Holy Spirit and expressed by the presider, acting in the person of Christ the high priest, in the Eucharist today. For God, change is not difficult. For God, all transformation is possible. With God, we can be transformed.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How does the Eucharist transform me? Thinking back to a time when it was not possible for me to receive the Eucharist, for instance during the pandemic, how did its absence affect me?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP

A special thank you to all who donated to the Lenten Almsgiving Project. A total of \$3,746 was raised. This wonderful donation will pay teacher's salaries for 159 children in the deep forests of the Central African Republic. Thank you again for your generosity for such a good cause.



80 bags of clothing were donated to the Immaculate Conception in the Bronx. St. Bart's received a letter of gratitude from the Director of "Helping Hands" at Immaculate Conception. We appreciate all you do to help others!

We want to thank all our volunteers who organized worked and donated for **our first Bingo**. A special thanks also to those who came out and played!! It was a lot of fun for all. We hope to hold more in the near future.



THE HOURS FOR THE PARISH OFFICE ARE AS

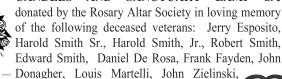
FOLLOWS: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM. The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday and Thursday.

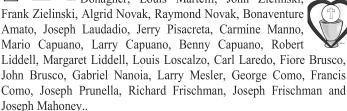




This Monday, May 27th is Memorial Day, a legal holiday. The Parish Office will be closed and there is only one Mass at 9 a.m. For this week, the Parish Office will be open on Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are







Let us take the time to congratulate and pray for our children who received their Confirmation on Wednesday, May 15th:

Alanis Teresa Abreu Brian Peter Ejiogu Christopher Paul Garcia Isabella Teresa Gomez Nicole Elias Lora Rael Francis Marchena Eric Alexis Molnar Sebastian Abraham Portilla Jesus Michael Ramos Jariel Jude Rosas Jayden Jose Campos Ariel Thomas Garcia Karina Theresa Garcia Natalia Flora Leon Kamilah Joan Marchena Khloe Marie Merlo Samuel Sebastian Orozco Legion Valentine Rago Josselyn Mary Reyes Tiffany Mary Sanchez

Meals for a Soup Kitchen: The St. Joseph's monthly meal of either



ziti or rice and beans will be collected FOR JUNE on Saturday, June 1st one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on Sunday June 2nd, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Trays will be available for those who wish to

donate food beginning **THIS** Saturday and Sunday, May 25th and May 26th.

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

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
7 AM AND 9 AM SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM

SUNDAY MASSES 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM (SPANISH) & 5 PM

CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM



ADORATION & HOLY HOUR: This **Saturday, June** 1st, is First Saturday. The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. All are invited to spend an hour to come and adore Jesus Christ Who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS God Doesn't Take a Break

An acquaintance who works in church ministry once told me a story about one of the students she had in Faith Formation. This student informed my friend that his family doesn't come to Mass in summer. "God takes a break in summer, and so do we," he said.

There's a lot to unpack here. First, it's tragic to think of anyone voluntarily missing out on the Eucharist for so long. It's also a real problem in the church today that a lot of our folks don't understand the beauty of the Sunday obligation. But if I had to dissect this situation and pinpoint the thing I find most troubling, it's the idea of God taking a break.

I hope it's starting to look like summer where you are. We've still got a few weeks left before it's official, but the school year should be winding up for most kids, the birds should be chirping a little louder, and hopefully your lawn is starting to green up nicely. You're probably daydreaming about the annual cabin getaway weekend or waterskiing on the Fourth of July.

All in all, summer is going to be a nice break, even if — like typical Americans — our break is full of productive work.

Thank God — literally — that He doesn't take a break, even if we do. Can we try to remember that, even in the midst of our many wonderful distractions? Let's enjoy this summer. Let's live it to the full. But let's see it for the gift that it is — and remember the thanks we owe the Giver.— *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

Memorial Day Prayer As we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of Your son, our

Savior, Jesus Christ. Please hold our servicemen and women in Your strong arms. Cover them with Your sheltering grace and Your presence as they stand in the gap for our protection. We also remember the families of our troops. We ask for Your unique blessings to fill their homes, and we pray Your peace, provision, and strength will



fill their lives. May the members of our armed forces be supplied with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support. In the name of Jesus. Amen. And may those who have lost their lives to preserve our freedom, rest in peace.

What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits to me?

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

May 12, 2024

 Sunday collection:
 \$3,014.00

 On Line giving:
 \$1,360.00

 Total:
 \$4,374.00

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 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!!!! IT'S EASY!!! Go to: www.saintbartsparish.org (BE SURE TO SPELL OUT SAINT) 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, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Richard (Dick) Novak, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, 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, Megan Weingarten, Richard Gritta, Luz Maria Izurieta, Joan Manno, Ana Herrera, Edna McShane, Faust Venturino, Patricia Nieman, Richard Romanowski, Salvador Aviles, Judy Hanrahan, Theresa Liuzzi, Barbara Olivieri, Samuel Olivieri, Michael & Joseph Diaz (twin babies), Rosaria Mercandetti, and Betsy McShane.

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.

CALLING ALL ALUMNI OF ST. BART'S SCHOOL

The Parish would like to have a dinner to gather the school alumni. If any former student would be interested in serving on a committee to help organize the event, please e mail stbartschurch@aol.com We are looking for contact information on all past alumni. If you would like to be included in our listing or know of someone who went to the school, please send contact information to cduda@saintbartsparish.org. Please include if known the name, address, cell number, year graduated and email address. Thank you!!!

Mass *Intentions*

Saturday, May 25 VIGIL

5:00 PM John Smith +

Sunday, May 26 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

9:30 AM Patrick V. Fox +

11:00 AM Marilyn Esksew Wassimer +

Patrick V. Fox +

12:30 PM For All The People of Our Parish

5:00 PM Nuala Fairclough +

Weekday, May 27—Memorial Day

9:00 AM Intentions of Maria Ferreira (Living)

Tuesday, May 28

Weekday

Brother Carthage Ryan, CFC + 7:00 AM

Deceased Members of De Pole & Faranda 9:00 AM

Families

Weekday, May 29

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Angelo "Chico" Velez + 7:00 AM Theressa Venturino + 9:00 AM

Thursday, May 30

Weekday

7:00 AM The Hill Family (Living) 9:00 AM Nicholas Chimenti +

Friday, May 31

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Family

Charles Hicks(Living) 7:00 AM 9:00 AM Elsie Gerhard +

Saturday, June 1 Saint Justin, Martyr

9:00 AM Maria Nguyen Thi Quang +

Saturday, June 1

5:00 PM Amedeo & Angie Lepore +

Sunday, June 2

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

9:30 AM Maria Loreta Lucchetti +

Emilio Onofrio +

Joseph Pasqualoni, Jr. + 11:00 AM

For All The People of Our Parish 12:30 PM For All The People of Our Parish 5:00 PM

May 26, 2024

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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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:
☐ 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

TRINITY SUNDAY



