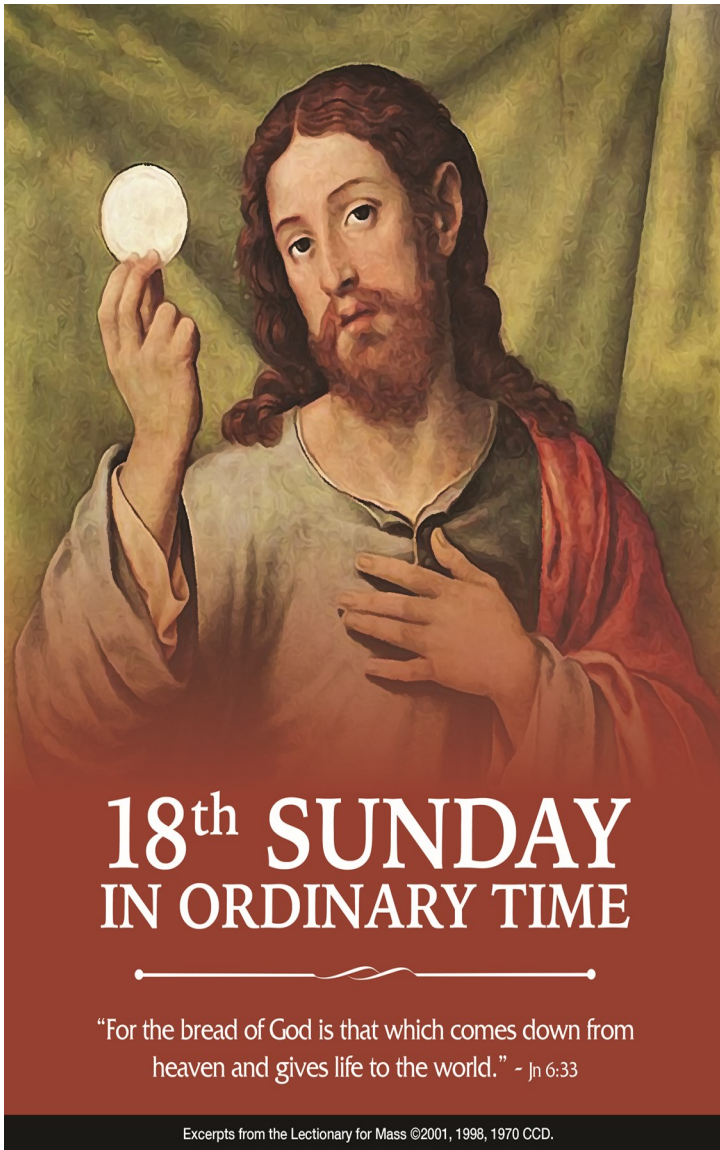


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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and 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
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 (also live streamed) and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday
Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. (also live streamed) Monday through Friday;
9:00 a.m. Saturday (also live streamed)

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

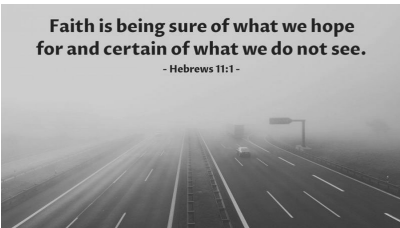
Trustees: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

NOURISHMENT FROM THE BREAD OF LIFE



It is easy to scoff at the Israelites grumbling to Moses about the hardship they faced in the desert. How ridiculous to say they'd rather be enslaved again!!! How ungrateful they are to God and to Moses for leading them out of slavery in the first place! But anyone who has truly known what it's like to be hungry day after day with no end in sight can appreciate their cries. When someone has an acute physical need that is not met, reason and reasonableness are lost. Think back how you felt when you were significantly ill or injured. Pain and chronic agony take over. Nothing else can even be contemplated. This is how it became for this formerly enslaved people wandering in the desert without food or water. Every minute of every day their thoughts were consumed by their misery.

When uncertain of what to believe, it is natural to look for signs. We look for some insight into the truth. In his Gospel, John referred to Jesus' miracles as signs. The crowd in today's Gospel passage saw His sign of the loaves and fish and now ask for a sign "that we may see and believe" (John 6:30). We may ask ourselves what signs we need to see in order to believe. Perhaps we would be better off asking ourselves what signs we can provide so that others may believe. How can we multiply what we have in order to nourish more people today than we can imagine? How can we give life to the world? How can we point the way to the truth by what we do?



Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. - Hebrews 11:1 -

We have a huge advantage over both the crowd in the desert and the one in Capernaum. We know the ending. The Israelites make it to the Promised Land. The Bread of Life is the food of our redemption. Today when we are faced with an uncertain future, and problems that appear to be unsolvable, let us take comfort in knowing that God continues to watch over us, forever satisfying our hunger and thirst.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How can I be a sign to others of the nourishment I've found in the bread of life?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

Lord, I pray that we become transfigured in Your presence, I pray that when people see us, they see You; thank You Lord, Awesome Creator, I thank You for letting Your people witness the transfiguration of Your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

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.

FOR THE WEEKEND MASSES, THE SATURDAY MASS AT 5 PM AND THE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:30 A.M., WILL BE SAID FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH. THIS SUNDAY MASS, AUGUST 1ST, AT 9:30 A.M. WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:



DECEASED:

- Helen Hanrahan +
- Louis Loscalzo +
- Dina, Frank & Carmela Legio +
- Antonio Perez +

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:



Religious Education

Register now for next year's Religious Education program. Children in public school who will be entering First Grade through High School in September are eligible for these classes. 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.



Meals for a Soup Kitchen: The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans **will be collected FOR AUGUST on Saturday, August 7th one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on Sunday August 8th, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.** Trays will be available for those who wish to donate food beginning THIS Saturday and Sunday, July 31st and August 1st. **May God bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.**

ADORATION & HOLY HOUR: This Friday, August 6th, is First Friday. We will have Holy Hour at 1 p.m. **Saturday, August 7th, 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.





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

MASSES MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7 AM AND
9 AM (9 AM MASS LIVE STREAMED ALSO FOR THOSE AT HOME)
SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME)
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM
SUNDAY MASSES AT 9:30 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME) AND 11:30 AM.

WHEN ATTENDING MASS, PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN YOUR NAME ON THE SIGN UP SHEETS ON THE TABLE AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.

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

The **Feast of the Transfiguration** is celebrated by various Christian communities in honor of the transfiguration of Jesus. The origins of the feast are less than certain and may have derived from the dedication of three basilicas on Mount Tabor. The feast was present in various forms by the 9th century, and in the Western Church was made a universal feast on August 6th by Pope Callixtus III to commemorate the raising of the siege of Belgrade (1456).

In the Syriac Orthodox, Malankara Orthodox, Revised Julian calendars within Eastern Orthodoxy, Catholic, Old Catholic, and Anglican churches, the Feast of the Transfiguration is observed on August 6th. In the Armenian Apostolic Church, the Feast of the Transfiguration is observed on the fourteenth Sunday after Easter. In some Lutheran traditions preceding the reforms to the liturgy in the 1970s, the 6th of August was also observed as the Feast of the Transfiguration. In those Orthodox churches which continue to follow the Julian Calendar, August 6th falls on August 19th of the Gregorian Calendar. The Transfiguration is considered a major feast, numbered among the twelve Great Feasts in Byzantine Catholicism and Orthodoxy. In all these churches, if the feast falls on a Sunday, its liturgy is not combined with the Sunday liturgy, but completely replaces it.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS *Practicing Graciousness in the Desert*

Looking back over my journey of parenthood, I know there were days when I traveled the extra mile for my children. I made their toast the way they like it, let them play in the park an extra ten minutes, or let them go to the movies with their friends and I finished up the chores on my own. And then, it happened: the attitude. The request for the smallest thing from one of them is met with disdain or bewilderment.

Sometimes you can be made breathless with the ingratitude of another person who takes so much and with so little shame, only to scoff at the idea that they, too, give even the smallest amount.

But if we're being honest with ourselves, we will admit that we do the exact same thing to God. Haven't we all been the Israelites in the desert at one point or another? God has parted our Red Sea in some way. He's led us out of some great trial, given us some great blessings. But then we run into a little resistance somewhere along the way and we throw up our hands. How could you do this to us, Lord? How could you ask this of us? No, I can't go any further. No, I won't do any more.

Persisting in the blindness to the many ways God continues to protect us is nothing short of a temper tantrum. It robs our Everyday Stewardship of its graciousness, of our ability to accept with joy the trials of life because we are also constantly aware of its blessings.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS, LPI



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION UPDATED
July 18, 2021- Tithing

<i>Envelope</i>	<i>\$3,023</i>
<i>Online</i>	<i>\$1,550</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$4,573</i>

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, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Harold Sullivan, 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, James Burns, Josephine Giabattista, Loni Shost, Ken Shost, and Emil Kurak.

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.



Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

August 1, 2021

Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Sunday, August 1, 2021
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Helen Hanrahan +
Louis Loscalzo +
Dina, Frank & Carmela Legio +
Antonio Perez +

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

Monday, August 2

Weekday

7:00 AM Antonio Perez +
9:00 AM Joan Tracey +

Tuesday, August 3

Weekday

7:00 AM Antonio Perez +
9:00 AM Rose & Charles Boehm +

Wednesday, August 4

Saint John Vianney, Priest

7:00 AM Walter Duda +
9:00 AM Walter Duda +

Thursday, August 5

Weekday

7:00 AM Walter Duda +
9:00 AM Giovanni Lucchetti (Living)

Friday, August 6

The Transfiguration of the Lord

7:00 AM Joseph Chesmar +
9:00 AM Special Intention

Saturday, August 7

Weekday

9:00 AM Jennifer Carole Romanowski +

Saturday, August 7 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, August 8, 2021
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Carmella Del Bene +
Lorenzo & Giulia Marchionno +
Joseph & Mary Prior +
Joseph Fox+
William Willis +

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

August 1, 2021

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and I unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain,
with steadfast faith.
You, Our Lady of New York, know what we need.
We are certain that you will provide, so that,
as you did at Cana of Galilee,
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.



Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the Father's will
and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

