

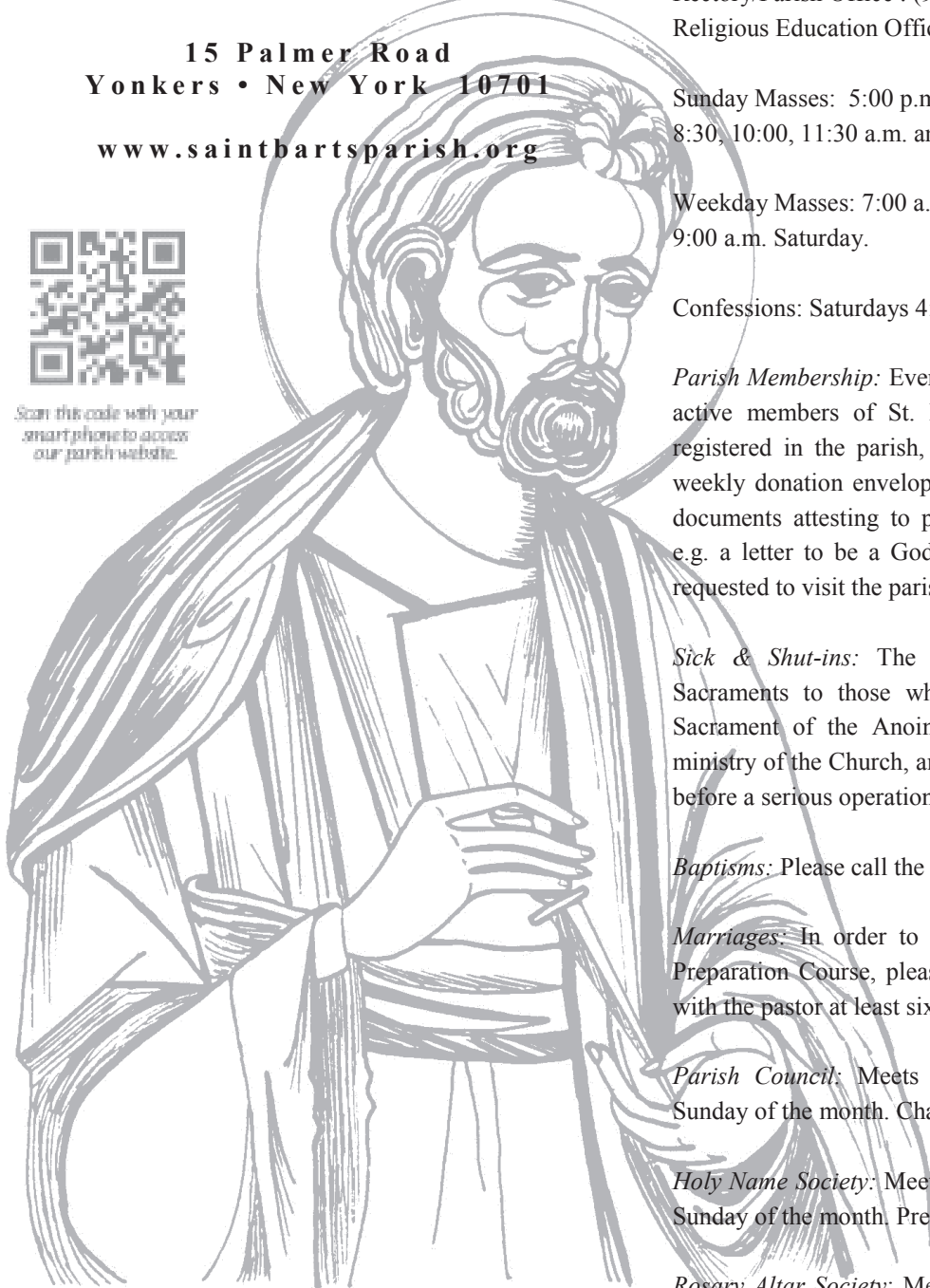
St. Bartholomew's Church

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our parish website.



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. Daniel Oghenerukevwe, 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. Chairperson: Richard Califano

Holy Name Society: Meets on the Monday evening after the second Sunday of the month. President, Dan Panik

Rosary Altar Society: Meets on the Monday evening after the first Sunday of the month. President, Joan Liddell

Bereavement Ministry: For information call (914) 965-0566,
Tina Falcone

Trustees: Catherine Hickey, Aureo Pinto

COME & JOIN US IN A 3-WEEKEND NOVENA PRAYER



Some weeks ago we announced that we would love to see St. Bart's become a Eucharistic Adoration center. I have received positive feedback about this and some are actually looking forward to it. We know that this practice will bring God's blessings upon our parish, parishioners and our families. Our plan is to extend our First Friday Eucharistic Adoration from one hour to about ten hours. In addition to the First Saturday one hour Divine Mercy, we would add

Eucharistic Adoration from morning till evening.

For a start, we want to have a three weekend Novena of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We want to pray for growth in all aspects of our parish life, including faith/spiritual, social, and material/financial aspects. As we pray for our parish, we will be praying for our parish families, too. As we look forward to greater outreach to our inactive Catholics and the unchurched in our local community, and thereby growing our parish, we want to begin by praying to God for direction and his blessings on our efforts.

The Novena will be held on Fridays, November 8, 15, & 22 from 9:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays, November 9, 16, & 23 from 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and again, from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. During those three weekends we need volunteers to cover each of the hours while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. Sign up sheets are available in the back of the church. You can also call Cheryl Duda on (914) 476-6676, or Fr. Raphael at the parish office. Please lend your support as we pray for our parish and parish families.

~ Father Raphael Ezech, MSP

PARISH NEWS

THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS



This **Friday, November 1st**, is the Feast of All Saints and a **Holy Day of Obligation**. On that day we remember the many great Christians who have gone before us, the unsung heroes of outstanding love, dedication, and commitment in life.

Since it is a Holy Day of Obligation, all Catholics are required to attend Mass. The

Masses for All Saints Day are:

Thursday, October 31st -----Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, November 1st - 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 12 noon, & 7:30 p.m.

The Parish Office will be closed on All Saints Day, Friday, November 1st.

NOVENA MASSES FOR ALL SOULS:

Saturday, November 2nd, is All Souls day. We will have a 9-day novena of Masses for all our departed loved ones. 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 bring it to the Rectory during the week.



On Saturday, **November 2nd, All Souls Day**, at the **9 a.m. Mass** we will pray for all our faithfully departed. Parishioners who have recently died since September 2012 through the present will especially be remembered; their family members are asked to bring a framed photo of their loved one; and to please notify Cheryl Duda (914 476-6676) or the Parish Office (914 965-0566), if you will be able to attend.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) meeting will take place this Monday, October 28th, at 7 p.m. in the school. All members are encouraged to attend.

HOLY HOUR:

This Friday, November 1st, is First Friday. We will have our monthly Holy Hour at 1 p.m. On Saturday, November 2nd, in addition to the Divine Mercy Holy Hour (3 p.m.), we will have extended Adoration beginning at 9:30 a.m. and ending at 4:30 p.m. All are invited to spend time to pray for our Parish initiatives and adore Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.



The **Altar Flowers** for this week are donated in celebration of the Quinceanera of Kiana Marie Anderson.

The members of the Rosary Altar Society will attend the 8:30 a.m. Mass next Sunday, November 3rd.



FAMILY MASS: A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO MEET

AND SHARE WITH OTHER FAMILIES:

Next Sunday, November 3rd, we will celebrate Family Mass at 10 a.m. at which new parishioners and their families will be welcomed. After the Mass, we will gather together for our "**Family Breakfast**" in the McManus Parish Center. All are welcome!



If you are able to volunteer a few day time hours doing office work, to assist the Religious Education program each week, please contact Cheryl Duda (914 476-6676).

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

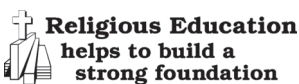
MAKING ALL THINGS NEW

The following people are on the Core Team to do parish planning as part of *Making All Things New*: Father Raphael, Rich Califano, Bill Mascetta, Catherine Hickey, Joan Liddell and Karen Maccia McKenna. The Core Team attended a training session on October 1st, to become acquainted with the materials we will be using to assess our parish ministries.

The Core Team will be overseeing the evaluation of parish ministries based on the Criteria for Planning. The Criteria are divided into four categories: Sacramental Life of the Parish; Evangelization, Catechesis, Catholic Schools and Lifelong Religious Education; Stewardship and Outreach; and Effective Administration.

The following are important dates in this effort:

- Sat & Sun, Oct 26 & 27 – Distribution of Surveys
- Sat & Sun, Nov 2 & 3 – Surveys Returned
- Mon, Nov 4 & Thurs, Nov 7 – Town Hall Meetings
- Sun, Dec 1 – Self Evaluations Due to the Archdiocese



Religious Education helps to build a strong foundation It's never too late to register a public school student in a Religious Education program to prepare them for First Communion, Confirmation, or to continue their journey in the faith. Please call the Religious Education Office (476-6676) for more information.

If you or someone you know needs information on the Catholic Faith or have not been confirmed, please call the Religious Education Office for information on the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) in our parish.



Rest in Peace Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially Rose T. McGovern.

The **YOUTH GROUP** meets on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. There will be a meeting next Sunday, November 3rd. All youths age 13 and up are invited.



MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Held after the 9 a.m. Mass on Mondays.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Join your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary after the 9 a.m. Mass on weekdays and Saturdays.



Thank you to our newest Lector, Feyisayo Obasa. It is encouraging to see young adults volunteer their time and talents to serve our community. We pray that other young adults will step forward to serve as Lectors or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If interested, please see Father Raphael or Cheryl Duda.



TITHING – GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

October 21, 2012

Adults' Contribution	\$6857.50
Children's Contribution	\$193.00
Last Year's Total	\$7050.50

October 20, 2013

Adults' Contribution	\$5542.20
Children's Contribution	\$195.20
This Year's Total	\$5737.40

The Collection for the World Missions totaled 1333.10.

There will be a second collection at all the Masses next Sunday, November 3rd, for the maintenance of our buildings and grounds. Please be as generous as possible.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ethel Thomas, Aldina Pereira, Rebecca Conroy, Andy DeFabritis, Maria Marte, Barbara Rup, Jule Yaskovic, Rosalie Heit, Florence B. Swetz, Clare Yaskovic, Neil Caruso, Deacon James Byrnes, Andrea Objay, Carmen Torres, Frank Marra, Deacon Patrick Troy, Josephine Apuzzo, Gary Roth, Joyann Allan, Lois Burton, Mary DeStefano, Mark Cianfaglione, Shawn Colon, Margaret Maccia, Nicole Ryan Betancourt, Anthony Spinner, Audrey Falcone, Kathleen Hayes, Marge Muraik, Donna Vasconez, Nicole Pisani-Frame, Louis Petrulo, Cynthia Swiatkiewicz, Jimmy Maimone, Robert Mirsky, Roseanne Mercandetti, Louis Brusco, Josephine Daniele, Jennifer Dorsey, Valerie Riccardi, Fatima Panik, Marian Fletcher, Anna Bonacci, Minerva Hernandez, Paula Parente, Bridget O'Malley, Anna Brucculeri, Peggy Clevenberg, Gerald Mazzerese, Jr., Patricia Keane, Carol Stola, Amada Ortiz, Karen Aprea, Stephen Sarich, Neil Cawley, Barbara McCormack, Josephine Lehotyak, Lawrence Girsch, Fran Romano, Pasquale Cercone, and Gail Villafana.

REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES, LIVING AND DEAD

The Mass Books for both 2013 and 2014 are open and have availability. Consider giving a loved one the graces associated with having a Mass offered on their behalf. Also, you may consider offering the Altar flowers, Altar bread and wine, Altar candles, or lighting the Sanctuary lamp for a week for your intention. Come to the Parish Office, **Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.** to make arrangements or to inquire about the availability of a particular date.

REMEMBER YOUR BELOVED PARISH

Remember, *"We make a living by what we earn. We make a life by what we share."* Please remember our Parish in your Will as a lasting and loving gift to your parish family. Thank you!

October 27, 2013

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 26 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Grace Raguso +

Sunday, October 27

8:30 AM Carl Laredo +

10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish

11:30 AM Deceased Members of Terrusa Family

5:00 PM Sandra DeCicco +

Monday, October 28

Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles

7:00 AM Parents of Kari Connors +

9:00 AM Mary Benza +

Tuesday, October 29

Weekday

7:00 AM Parents of Kari Connors +

9:00 AM Joanne Moscarello +

Wednesday, October 30

Weekday

7:00 AM Carmela Magaletto +

9:00 AM Maureen Caperino & Erika Cunningham +

Thursday, October 31

Weekday

7:00 AM Song & Phan Nguyen +

9:00 AM Nicholas Pezzente +

7:30 PM Deacon Anthony Mercandetti +

Friday, November 1

All Saints

7:00 AM Deceased Members of Lucchetti & Capuano Families

9:00 AM Angelina Brusco +

12:00 Noon Anthony Stola +

7:30 PM For All the People of Our Parish

Saturday, November 2

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

9:00 AM Novena for Our Deceased Loved Ones

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, November 2 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Maria & John Spagnola +

Sunday, November 3

8:30 AM Peter Klee +

10:00 AM Anna & Tommy Brucculeri's 67th Anniversary

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

5:00 PM Novena for Our Deceased Loved Ones

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY



Today, in the United States, we celebrate Priesthood Sunday. It is a day to honor our priests, to reflect upon and affirm the role of priesthood in our Church; and to show our appreciation to those who are our priests. On this day we want to thank Father Raphael and Father Daniel for answering God's call and for serving as our priests.

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PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

Divine Grace, which always heals that which is infirmed and supplies that which is lacking, You have called our beloved brothers to sacred ministry. Let us pray that they be confirmed and strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Fill them with grace and counsel, that they may love You with all their hearts, all their minds, and all their strength. Grant them irreproachable conduct, steadfast faith, and good works so that they may help and guide Your people with unselfish motivation.

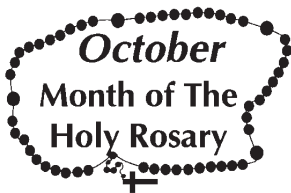
Grant them wisdom, let their minds be sober and watchful, so that they may be filled with works of healing and words of instruction. May they teach Your people in meekness and serve You in holiness with an undivided mind and a willing soul.

May they be the light of Your only begotten Son that the word of Your gospel may be spread and Your name may be glorified in every creature.

May they serve at Your holy altar with pure hearts and good consciences. Grant that they may prosper in all Your commandments and the keeping of Your laws, so that they may be able to minister joyfully on the day of Your coming. Amen.

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HAVE YOU PRAYED YOUR ROSARY TODAY?



This month of October is the "Month of the Holy Rosary!" We are encouraged to say at least a decade of the Rosary in honor of our Blessed Mother, Mary, requesting her intercession for our needs and the needs of the whole world. If you need literature on how

to pray the Rosary or you need a Rosary, please feel free to call our Religious Education Office for help at (914) 476-6676.