Saint Bartholomew's Church

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20th SUNI IN ORDINARY T "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him ... The one who feeds on me will have life because of me." - Jn 6:56, 57b Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

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JESUS INVITES US TO ETERNAL LIFE

Wisdom invites us to a better life in today's first read-



ing. She invites us to a life that is transformed from one of ignorance and foolishness to one of knowledge and understanding. She appeals to our desire to learn, to grow in knowledge, to advance in understanding.

Wisdom calls people from all over to partake in her banquet, even sending out emissaries to places far and wide. People are free to accept or decline her invitation, but those who accept will gain wisdom. In other words, Wisdom is freely giving herself to anyone who accepts her invitation, her invitation "that you may live" (Proverbs 9:6).

Jesus does the same in today's Gospel. He freely gives himself to all who accept His invitation to partake in the Eucharist. "Whoever eats My flesh and drinks my blood remains in Me and I in



him" (John 6:56). As Wisdom invited us to a better life, Jesus does as well, promising that "whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:58), inviting us to eternal life. Just as with Wisdom, all are invited; in this passage, he is speaking to the crowds. Also like Wisdom, He sent out emissaries, His disciple, far and wide.

When we come together on Sunday to celebrate the



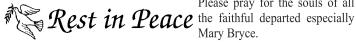
Eucharist, we gather at two tables: the table of the Word and the table of the Eucharist. In the Word, we are nourished with knowledge, understanding, and wisdom. In the Eucharist, we are nourished with the Lord, uniting us to the one Body of Christ. Together, the tables

satisfy our hunger for meaning and for life.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What can I do to show others that I have advanced in understanding and that Jesus remains in me?





Please pray for the souls of all

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

Register now for next year's Religious Education Religious program. Children in public school who will be entering First Grade through High School in Education September are eligible for these classes. Evening classes are available to accommodate the children of working parents. Please call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 for more information.

WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC OR LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Do you recognize yourself in any of these statements?

- I have never been baptized and want to learn more about the Catholic Faith.
 - I was baptized in another Christian religion and now wish to become Catholic.
 - I was baptized Catholic, but have not received any other Sacraments and little if any religious instruction.
- I am married to a Catholic and attend Mass and would like to receive the Sacraments. For further information, please call Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676.

This weekend, August 18th August 19th, the Land of Peace, a nonprofit organization is visiting St. Bartholomew's Church. The Land of Peace's goal is to help and support Christian families in the Holy Land. They will be selling religious handmade arts. These purchases support their efforts and mission.

SOCIAL MINISTRY:

Our food pantry has a need for the following items: : jelly, canned corn, rice and coffee. Please keep this in mind on your next trip to the supermarket. Thank you for your continuing support!!



PRAYER TO SAINT BARTHOLOMEW FEAST DAY, AUGUST 24TH



Lord, sustain us with the faith which made Saint Bartholomew ever loyal to Christ.

Let your Church be the sign of salvation for all the nations of the world. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Blessings

Fr. Raphael

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

PARISH BLOCK PARTY CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW

NEXT Saturday, August 25, 6-10 pm



Please see the flyer in today's bulletin.

Please join us for a fun filled evening.

We also need volunteers, please see the sign up sheets at the back of the church. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please take an envelope marked Block Party Donation at the rear of the church and

return it to the Parish Office. Thank you for your support!!

2018 and 2019 MASS BOOK

The 2018 Mass book still has a few Masses available and the 2019 Book is also open with dates available. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in our life, the graces associated with having a Mass offered on their behalf. You may have a thanksgiving Mass offered for your loved one or yourself on such occasions as birthday's, wedding anniversaries, etc. Also you may consider offering the Altar Flowers (\$100; or \$125 for roses), Altar Bread and Wine (\$30), Altar Candles (\$10) or the Sanctuary Lamp (\$10) for your intention. Come to the Parish Office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. *Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St_Barts-Youth.*

Our **EDGE GROUP (AGES 11-13)** meets the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building.

Our **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10)** meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building.

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.

A Prayer of Praise

Praise to You, God, for long warm days,

for buzzing bees and chirping crickets, for shady trees and gentle breezes. Praise to You for the earth's rotation, for our cycle around the sun, for "sun, moon, and stars in their courses above."

Praise to You for the order of the universe, the variety of the seasons,

and the gift of another summer.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

Amount Needed Weekly \$7,000.00 Actual Received Last Sunday \$5,165.55 Balance **\$1,834.45**

*(Envelopes \$4,800.55 Online \$365.00)

Amount Needed for Month of August \$28,000.00 Amount Collected Thus Far \$10,380.00

"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!

It's time to sign up for on line giving with We Share. Please contact the parish office or take a flyer and sign up sheet at the rear of the church.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Marian Fletcher, Ann Lackner, Richard Meyers, Andrea Objay, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Michael Tomanelli, Ariella Castillo, Gail Chappory, Randolph Castillo, Jr., 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, Theresa Venturino, Nicholas Arzola, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Frank Sanzo, Isabel Medina, Larry Vandak, Lisa Villar, Rosemarie Petti, Paul Sarubbi, Judy Ellsworth, Nancy (Candy) Viola, Lou De Muro, Harold Sullivan, and Mary Latino.

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

As you plan and enjoy your summer vacations, please do not forget your financial obligations to our Parish.

God bless and keep you all!!!

EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION: Held the First Friday of every month at 1 p.m. Please join us when you are able.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION: Held the First Saturday of every month at 3 p.m. All are encouraged to participate.



Saturday, August 18 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Lucy Tutino +

Sunday, August 19, 2018 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Robert Liddell+

10:00 AM Cynthia Mascetta King +

Monday, August 20

Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM No Intention 9:00 AM Gene Vetrano +

Tuesday, August 21 Saint Pius X, Pope

7:00 AM No Intention 9:00 AM Carol Vicino +

Wednesday, August 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Al & Florence Porach +

Thursday, August 23

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Medardo Hernandez +

Friday, August 24

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Marjorie De Rosa +

Saturday, August 25

Weekday

9:00 AM Linda Sarich +

Saturday, August 25 (Anticipated Mass)

Sunday, August 26, 2018 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Elizabeth Laredo+ 10:00 AM David Zevon (Living)

11:30 AM Carmela, Frank, Dina Legio and Legio family + 5:00 PM Radames Blanco & Luis Angel Blanco +



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

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: |
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| 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. |

LOCAL EVENT

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, NY. The group is holding its annual Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 40 Convent Avenue, Yonkers, NY on September 23, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. followed by Communion Breakfast immediately after the Mass at the Fairways at Dunwoodie Golf Course. Cost is \$23. All are welcome. Reservations are preferred. Please call 914 423-5331 for more information.