Saint Bartholomew's Church

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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME "The greatest among you must be your servant."

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 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, **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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PRACTICE WHAT YOU PREACH

"Have we not all the one father? Has not the one God created us?" asks Malachi at the end of the first reading (2:10). Indeed, we all have the same Father in heaven, as Jesus points out in the



Gospel. We have all been created by God. This should give us some humility, for it means that none of us is created more in the in the image of God than anyone else. The person I see begging on a street corner or emaciated in a drought-

stricken region of the world is created in the image of God, just like me. Therefore, all people deserve a basic dignity because they are created and loved by God. For the same reason, none of us should feel unworthy of that basic dignity because no one is created less in the image of God than anyone else.

When those in position of authority treat themselves as superior to the people in their care, such as the priests in Malachi's dia-

tribe, or burden the people in their care while doing nothing to help them, like the scribes and Pharisees in the Gospel, it poisons the atmosphere for everyone. The deadly sins of pride on the one hand and envy on the other are invited to fester. The sense of entitlement those in authority have can lead to abuse of those without power, and the feelings of powerlessness that the masses have can lead to violence against those in power. Jesus' lesson for all of us



is to realize that we are all called to serve, not to be served: "The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts [themselves] will be humbled' but whoever humbles [themselves] will be exalted" (Matthew 23:11-12. Be humble. Leave the business of exalting to God

Saint Paul shows the right attitude: "We were gentle among vou" (1 Thessalonians 2:7). Paul and his small band of missionaries came as servants of the gospel, giving their very selves to serve the people they preached to, and working themselves so as not to burden the people of Thessalonica. By practicing what they preached, they preached much more powerfully than words alone could have done.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

When do I fail to practice what I preach? What change must I make to do so as effectively as Paul and his fellow disciples?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP



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.





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

donated by the Rosary Altar Society in loving memory of the following deceased veterans: Jerry Esposito, Harold Smith Sr., Harold Smith, Jr., Robert Smith, Edward Smith, Daniel De Rosa, Frank Fayden, John, Donagher, Louis Martelli, John Zielinski, Frank



Zielinski, Algrid Novak, Raymond Novak, Bonaventure Amato, Joseph Laudadio, Jerry Pisacreta, Carmine Manno, Mario Capuano, Larry Capuano, Benny Capuano, Robert Liddell, Margaret Liddell, Louis Loscalzo, Carl Laredo, Fiore Brusco, John Brusco, Gabriel Nanoia, Larry Mesler, George Como, Francis Como, Joseph Prunella, Richard Frischman, Joseph Frischman and Joseph Mahoney...

Meals for a Soup Kitchen:



St. Joseph's monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans will be collected for November on THIS Saturday, November 4th one half hour before the 5 p. m. Mass and on Sunday

November 5th, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.

SOCIAL MINISTRY—Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive The Social Ministry group in coordination with the Religious Education students is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive for the weekends beginning this weekend, November 4th and 5th through November 18th and 19th.

Bags will be placed at the rear of the church beginning next weekend. Please take a bag and place Thanksgiving appropriate, non-perishable fixings especially canned vegetables, canned sweet potatoes, canned fruit, applesauce, boxed mashed potatoes, coffee, tea, and juices, etc. Return the bags to church no later than Sunday November 19th. We will also be in need of some frozen turkeys, fresh/frozen pies, or fruit, which can be dropped off at the food pantry before the 5 pm Mass on Saturday, November 18th and before the morning Masses on Sunday, November 19th. Thank you for your generosity!!!



Please note that the "Giving Tree" will be up Thanksgiving weekend. More details to follow.

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

Seniors Monthly Gathering: Movie Thursday, November 9th, 10 a.m.



WINTER COAT DRIVE



St. Bart's will be collecting winter coats again up until Thanksgiving weekend. We will also be collecting winter apparel as well including sweaters, hats, scarves and gloves. Drop your donations in the box at the rear of the

church.

Special thanks for those who donated plants for the altar and back of the church:

Elvio and Jeannette Giardini Michael and Maria Lewis Adaeze Ubawike Judith Elliott



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Over the years we have had many great social events in our parish community. We have had socials for New Year's Eve, St. Patrick's Day, Mardi Gras, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Valentine's Day, and so many more. It seems we will use any excuse to have a party and enjoy each other's company. And for more than the last decade, my pastor has been present at most of these events. What always tickles me is to see him in his clerics going around with a tray of entrees or desserts as he seeks to serve his parishioners. We have joked that his clothing does resemble that of a waiter in a fine restaurant. The only difference is no tips! Sorry, Monsignor.

To see a shepherd serve his sheep causes me to reflect on how we are all called to serve one another. We are called to a life of humility and service, giving of ourselves for the greater glory of God. When we seek to serve our brothers and sisters, the Jesus in us meets the Jesus in them.

In our everyday lives we can find ways of serving others if we are mindful of the opportunities all around us. We must never fall into the trap of seeing others in terms of "us and them." In Christ, there is only US. In Christ, there is no Greek or Jew, servant or free. We are one. On this day, who will God place on your path for you to serve? Don't be fooled into thinking that all calls are for something grand. Sometimes, even a little dessert might be all it takes to show others they are loved.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 22nd

 Sunday collection:
 \$2,687.00

 On Line giving:
 \$1,420.00

 Total:
 \$4,107.00

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, Anna Bonacci, 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, 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, Megan Weingarten, Richard Gritta, Luz Maria Izurieta, Joan Manno, Ana Herrera, Edna McShane, Faust Venturino, Patricia Nieman, Richard Romanowski, Salvador Aviles, Judy Hanrahan, John Smith, and Theresa Liuzzi.

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.



Saturday, November 4 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM John McMahon +

Sunday, November 5 Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Ann Marie Fabre + 11:00 AM Leonard Kurz +

Monday, November 6

Weekday

7.00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

9:00 AM Charles Jankowski +

Tuesday, November 7

Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

9:00 AM Charity Ubawike +

Weekday, November 8

Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

9:00 AM Eugene Ubawike, Jr. +

Thursday, November 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

9:00 AM Paul Pellino +

Friday, November 10

Saint Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

9:00 AM Rita & Joseph Kozarek +

Saturday, November 11 Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Veteran's Day

9:00 AM Dolores Di Paolo +

Saturday, November 11 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Mary & Joseph Cuozzo +

Sunday, November 12 Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar &

Holy Name Societies

Antonio D'Addario +

11:00 AM Minerva Hernandez + 12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

5:00 PM Kevin Waziko +

November 5, 2023

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

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