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IN ORDINARY TIME "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." - Mt 22:36-37

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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 Ezeh, MSP, Pastor 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

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

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WHAT CAN I DO FOR OTHERS?

When we pray, are we directing our prayer outward, to God, or are we directing it inward, toward ourselves?



Note that in Jesus' parable, He says that the Pharisee said his prayer to himself. This could mean that he said it silently but it could also indicate that he directed it to and for himself. After all, he is congratulating himself on his goodness. He does not even ask God for anything for he does

not realize he needs God for anything. The tax collector, on the other hand, pleads with God for mercy, beating his breast and bowing his head. Perhaps the lowly, the poor, and the oppressed of the first reading are better heard by God because they actually turn to God. They realize their neediness.

"The one who humbles oneself," will be exalted" (Luke 18:14). Perhaps this is because the humble

person is not seeking exaltation in the first place. Those who seek exaltation will never find it. Jesus, on the other



hand, humbled Himself to take on our humanity, then humbled Himself further in dying on the cross. Through these most humbling acts, He became exalted above all others.

How can we emulate God? We can reach out in love and charity to those who are needier that we are. They are crying out in their need. We trust that God hears them, but we must try to hear them as well. Rather than turning away or wringing our hands in despair, we can look to see what we can do to help. Using Paul as a model, we can pour ourselves out like a libation, sacrificing our resources to fill others' needs.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What can I sacrifice to provide something for others?



ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST WE CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS DAY.

On that day, we remember the many great Christians who have gone



before us, unsung heroes of outstanding love, dedication and commitment in life. The Masses for All Saints Day are as follows: Thursday, October 31st, 4p.m., Vigil, and Friday, November 1st at 7 and 9 a.m., and 7 p.m. In observance of the

Holy Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Friday, November 1st.

NOVENA MASSES FOR ALL SOULS DAY

Saturday, November 2nd, is All Souls Day. We will have a 9 day

Novena of Masses for all our departed loved ones beginning on Saturday, November 2nd through Sunday, November 10th. 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 drop it in the Collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office during the week.



SPONSORED BY THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM AND THE LIONS CLUB—UNWANTED EYEGLASS COLLECTION



REMINDER: LAST CALL TO DONATE YOUR UNWANTED EYEGLASSES

No glasses will be accepted after this Tuesday, October 29th.

COME AND JOIN THE ST BART'S THEATRE GROUP

JOIN THE CAST FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PLAY

Be a part of the presentation of The Nativity, our Christmas Play (presented on December 15th and December 17th). Let the actor in you come out!!!!! Join your fellow parishioners!!!!!

Rehearsals begin soon. Please contact the Parish Office. There are small parts and big parts, don't be shy!



SOCIAL MINISTRY—Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Social Ministry group is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive for the weekends beginning on November 9th and 10th through November 23rd and 24th. Please bring to church Thanksgiving appropriate, non-perishable fixings especially canned vegetables, canned sweet potatoes, canned fruit, boxed mashed



potatoes, coffee, tea, and juices, etc. We will be in need of some frozen turkeys, fresh/frozen pies, or fruit, which can be brought anytime beginning on November 10th. In addition, in coordination with the social ministry group, the

Religious Education students will be placing bags at the rear of the church. You can place your donated "Thanksgiving items" in these bags. Thank you for your generosity!!!

SAVE THE DATE-POCKETBOOK BINGO DATE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND MCMANUS PARISH CENTER STARTS AT 7 PM PLEASE JOIN US FOR ANOTHER FUN FILLED NIGHT AT OUR THIRD POCKETBOOK BINGO. COME AND TEST YOUR CHANCES AT WINNING A DESIGNER



HANDBAG!!!!

CALL BARBARA 914 329-3067 OR CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 914 965-0566.



BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, November 29th, from 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. in McManus Parish Center

ADORATION & HOLY HOUR: This Friday November 1st is First

Friday. We will have First Friday Adoration beginning at 9:30 a.m. and ending at 7 p.m. with a Holy Hour at 1 p.m. And Saturday November 2nd, 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.



FORMED

We hope you are enjoying the free parish subscription to www.formed.org which gives you access to quality Catholic on line programs, movies, audios, and books. Simply register with parish code YWHDC2 and enjoy.



Our YOUTH GROUP meets in the school building on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is next Sunday, November 3rd. Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St Barts-Youth.

Our EDGE GROUP (AGES 11-13) meets in the school building on the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is Sunday, November 10th.

Our CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10) meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building. next meeting is Friday, November 22nd.

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 2 Saturdays.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING **Sunday Collection Update**

October 20, 2019- Tithing

\$4,619,40 Envelopes Online \$ 680.00 Total \$ 5,299.40

"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 fill out the cards at the rear of the Church.



LORD give strength to your people

Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Larry Vandak, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Edison Blanco, Steven Sarich, Larry Mesler, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jerry Esposito, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Rosemarie Bartolomeo, Ann McShane, Frank Marra, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia and Brianna Whitehead.

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

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.



Please pray for the souls of



Saturday, October 26 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Joseph G. Mahoney +

Sunday, October 27, 2019

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Elizabeth & Carl Laredo+ 10:00 AM Leonard Spano + 11:30 AM Bob McKeon +

5:00 PM Theresa Dippolito +

Monday, October 28

Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles

7:00 AM Serge Columbres + 9:00 AM Sylvester Grillo +

Tuesday, October 29

Weekday

7:00 AM For the Health of Zef Ivezaj (Living)

9:00 AM Mary Galvin +

Wednesday, October 30

Weekday

7:00 AM For the Health of Zef Ivezaj (Living)

9:00 AM Bill McLoughlin +

Thursday, October 31

Weekday

7:00 AM Mary De Mattia + 9:00 AM Ralph Esposito +

4:00 PM Vigil Deacon Anthony Mercandetti +

Friday, November 1

All Saints Day

7:00 AM Luigi & Maria Loreta Lucchetti +

9:00 AM Kevin Wasiczko +

7:00 PM Dec. Members of De Santis & De Sanctis

Families

Saturday, November 2

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

(All Souls Day)

9:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

Saturday, November 2 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Roberto & Pasqua Capuano and

deceased children +

Sunday, November 3, 2019

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Lorenzo & Giulia Marchionno+ 10:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

11:30 AM Dionisa Marranzino +

5:00 PM Ramberto Blanco +

ALL SOULS

NOVEMBER 2ND

PRAYER FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Dear God.

Death as much as birth, is part of the circle of life.



Hear our prayers for those who have died:
Those who have died suddenly;
People who have been victims of violence
or war;

Men, women & children who have died Because of disease, famine or neglect; And especially our dear, departed loved ones.

Give us comfort in our grief and hope in Your eternal love.

May all those who have served You on earth Share in the fullness of joy in Your heavenly kingdom. Bring us all to the glory of the resurrection. AMEN

LOCAL EVENTS

Forty Hours Devotion at St. Paul the Apostle Church, Yonkers, October 27th, 28th, and 29th. Opening Mass is October 27th at 12:15 p.m. followed by Adoration until 10p.m. October 28th Adoration will be from 9:30a.m.– 10p.m. and October 29th Adoration will be from 9:30a.m.– 7p.m. with the closing Mass at 7p.m.

St. Catharine Academy, a Catholic college prep school for girls invites prospective students and their families to Open House, this Sunday, October 27th, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Tour our school, speak with students, and meet faculty and administration. To register, visit our website, www.scahs.org. Information night for prospective students, Wednesday, October 30th 6:30-8:00 pm. Meet faculty, tour our school.

For All Women of the Parish: The Sisters of Life invite you to a *Feminine Genius Brunch* on Saturday, November 16th at 10:00 am at the Hilton Westchester in Rye Brook, NY. This brunch borrows its name after those amazing God-given attributes endowed to you as women—receptivity, sensitivity, generosity, and maternity—all of which make up the *feminine genius!!* IN addition to a lovely brunch at a beautiful location, Sr. Virginia Joy, the director of the Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese will give a talk on the beauty of the feminine heart and these distinct attributes as women.

Come discover God's plan for your ultimate flourishing. Invite a frient, mother or daughter (in-law)!

RSVP by November 11th, at https://adnyfemininegeniusbrunch@eventbrite.com. Any questions, please contact sr.virginia.joy@archny.org.

OFFICE OF LITURGY, ARCHDIOCESE OF NY: ORGAN FEST:

St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, NY on Saturday, November 23rd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets: \$20-\$35.00.

Are you a church musician – or merely a fan of great organ music? Join us for a day dedicated to celebrating and enjoying the "king of instruments" – the pipe organ! You'll hear from Jared Lamenzo, director of music at the Basilica of Old St. Patrick's Cathedral; enjoy breakout sessions with some of New York's finest Catholic musicians; have the chance to participate in a roundtable discussion with representatives of three of the world's most renowned organ builders; and enjoy an "all-star" concert on the Seminary's 41-rank Casavant Frères pipe organ. Tickets can be purchased at nyliturgy.org/organfest.