

Saint Bartholomew's Church

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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.” - Jn 15:10

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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
Rev. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate Pastor
Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Office Manager
Cheryl Duda, Religious Education Coordinator

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

MAKING SACRIFICES

We miss this in the selection from Acts that we hear today, but Cornelius is a Roman centurion, employed to exercise the authority of the Roman occupiers over that part of Judea. Most Judeans—whether Jewish or Christian—would avoid him. But Cornelius is no ordinary Roman centurion, as we see in the way he falls on knees when Peter enters his home. After this display of humility, Peter tells him, “You know that it is unlawful for a Jewish man to associate with, or visit, a Gentile, but God has shown me that I should not call any person profane or unclean” (Acts 10:28). How many of us are



willing to say the same about someone on the opposite side, say, of our culture wars or political wars?

“God,” Peter points out, “shows no partiality” (Acts 10:34). Indeed, while Peter preached about God and Jesus, the Holy Spirit came down upon Cornelius and all the other Gentiles, prompting Peter to see to it that these outsiders were baptized. Remember, Peter was one of those personally told by Jesus, “This is my commandment: love one another as I love you” (John 15:12). Today we hear him put it into action. May it challenge us to show God’s love to one another as well.

Love. Makes us feel all warm and fuzzy inside, right? But, Jesus tells us, the ultimate show of love is “to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (John 15:13). That brings us up short. Love is over-the-moon wonderful until you start talking about its cost. Love can cause you to put someone else’s life before your own. Love can leave you vulnerable. Love can lead to heartbreak and grief. But this is what Jesus himself did, and what he calls us to do. Self-sacrificing love is the countercultural and, to many, absurd idea of putting others before yourself, for, as John wrote in his letter, God is love, and this, from the start of creation, is what God has done.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What sacrifice have I made this past week for someone I love? What sacrifice can I make this coming week? What sacrifice am I willing to make for someone I hardly know?

Blessings Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

Please pray for our children who will be receiving their First Communion NEXT Saturday, May 11th at a special 1 p.m. Mass

COMMUNION PRAYER

Dear God, I know that You give me many gifts.

The gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ in Holy Communion is the greatest of all. How can I ever thank You enough for this special gift?

At Mass we are called to be like Jesus, by loving and serving one another in the world.

As I become more like Him, please continue to help me.

Show me the places and ways that I can bring Your love, kindness, and peace to others. in my family, in my neighborhood, in my community and with my friends.

I ask this in Jesus' name. 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.



Any adults who are not Catholic or who are interested in making their First Holy Communion and Confirmation, you are invited to attend a discussion group on Sunday mornings to explore further. Contact Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 if interested.

Meals for a Soup Kitchen:

St. Joseph’s monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans **will be collected for May on THIS Saturday, May 4th one half hour before the 5 p. m. Mass and on THIS Sunday May 5th, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses.**



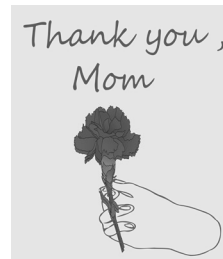
CALLING ALL ALUMNI OF ST. BART'S SCHOOL

The Parish would like to have a dinner to gather the school alumni. If any former student would be interested in serving on a committee to help organize the event, please e mail stbartschurch@aol.com We are looking for contact information on all past alumni. If you would like to be included in our listing or know of someone who went to the school, please send contact information to cduda@saintbartsparish.org. Please include if known the name, address, cell number, year graduated and email address. Thank you!!!



SUNDAY May 12th is Mother’s Day. Our Parish will have a Novena of Masses for all our mothers—living and deceased.

The Novena of Masses will begin NEXT Sunday, May 12th and will end on Monday, May 20th. There are cards and envelopes at the back of the Church. If you want your mother, mother-in-law or any other mother remembered in the Novena of Masses, please fill out the envelope with your donation and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 10 am to 2 pm.



MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST



Please join us after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Mother’s Day, May 12th in the McManus Parish Center as we honor all Mothers with a special breakfast.

God Bless all our Mothers living and deceased.

The 50/50 winner will be announced at the breakfast.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 Gathering:

Movie Thursday :May 16th, 10 am

**CONTACT RICH CALIFANO FOR MORE
INFORMATION**



The Golden Jubilee Mass for couples celebrating 50 years of marriage will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Timothy Dolan on Sunday, June 2nd at 2:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Cathedral. If you are celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2024, or if you know a couple who is, please contact the Parish Office. Registration with the archdiocese closes on Monday, May 13th at 5 p.m.



Ascension Thursday, May 9th is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses are as follows:

7 a.m., 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Choosing to Love One Another

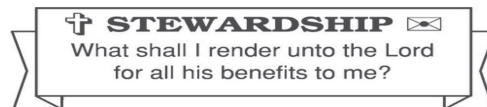
Love one another. The greatest commandment, the simplest commandment — and if you've ever loved anyone, you know it's also the hardest.

I'm man enough to admit it. I've seen one or two of those cheesy Hallmark movies that are especially popular around the holidays. Boy meets Girl. Boy and Girl encounter a catastrophic roadblock to their relationship — they're coaches of rival high school volleyball teams, or he runs a dog kennel and she works at a feline rescue, so it could never, ever work out, right? But sprinkle a little movie magic over the whole situation and Boy and Girl find what Hallmark tells us is true love.

I could make a list of all the things that are inaccurate about these movies, and something I would put right near the top — maybe even above the sometimes-unbelievable storylines — is the idea that love is a feeling.

See, I'm not sure if it's accurate to call these movies love stories. Attraction stories, sure. But if you've ever forgiven someone who's hurt you, nursed a dying parent, gotten up for an infant's night feeding or let your kid have the last piece of cake, you know that real love is a verb. It's something you do. And it is almost always a choice.

Love one another. How often do we hear this? How often do we think about what it really means? How often do we take a moment to consider the action Jesus is asking us to take and the choice he is asking us to make? — **Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS, LPI**



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 21, 2024

Sunday collection: \$3,812.00
On Line giving: \$1,698.90
Total: \$5,510.90

**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, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Richard (Dick) Novak, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, 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, Theresa Liuzzi, Barbara Olivieri, Samuel Olivieri, Michael & Joseph Diaz (twin babies), Rosaria Mercandetti, and Betsy McShane.

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.

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May 5, 2024

Mass Intentions  for the Week

Saturday, May 4 VIGIL

5:00 PM Lucille & Victor Serricchio +

Sunday, May 5

Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM John Smith +

11:00 AM Joseph Pasqualoni, Jr. +

12:30 PM For All Souls in Purgatory

5:00 PM George Del Moral +

Monday, May 6

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Domenica Piscopo +

9:00 AM Anna Nguyen +

Tuesday, May 7

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Rosemary Nyahay (Living)

9:00 AM Don "Dice" Crotty +

Wednesday, May 8

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Roger Hicks (Living)

9:00 AM Anna Nguyen +

Thursday, May 9

Easter Weekday- Ascension Thursday

7:00 AM Jill Hicks (Living)

9:00 AM Patricia & Gerard Hickey +

7:00 PM For All The People Of The Parish

Friday, May 10

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Any Soul in Purgatory

Saturday, May 11

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Isadore Heit +

Saturday, May 11 VIGIL

5:00 PM John Nieman +

Margaret T. Maccia +

Sunday, May 12

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name & Rosary Altar Society
Edgar Cortes & Eleonara Caballero Cortes +

11:00 AM Mary Breheny +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

5:00 PM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

May 5, 2024

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

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

