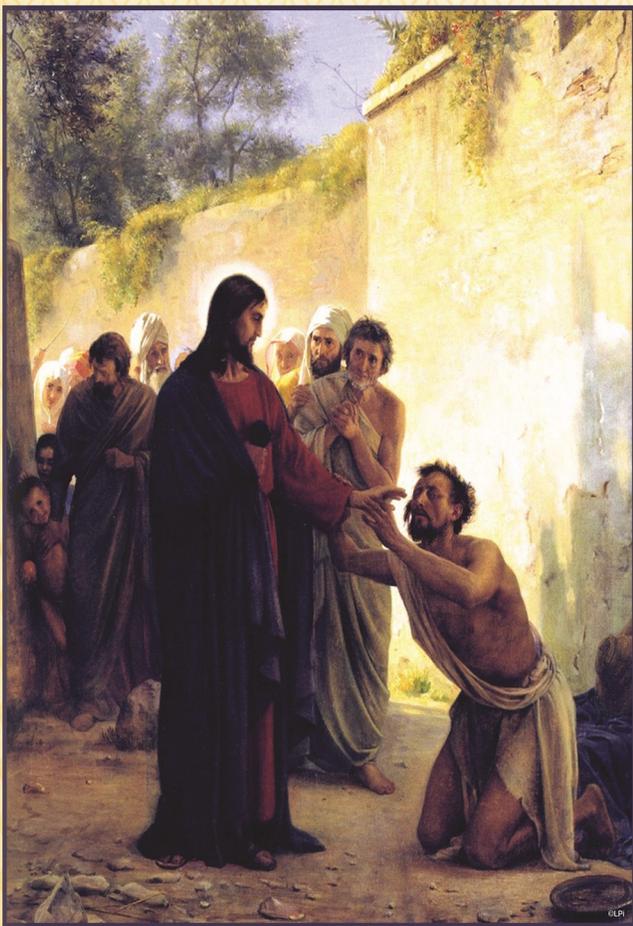


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30th SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:52

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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. 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

GOD DRAWS THE FAITHFUL TO HIS KINGDOM



How appropriate that we read this passage from Jeremiah as we approach All Saints Day and All Souls' Day. Jeremiah speaks of God gathering the faithful from the ends of the world, guiding them "so that none shall stumble" (Jeremiah 31:9). They departed in tears, but will return rejoicing. In the same way, God draws the faithful from all the earth to the heavenly kingdom.. May God console us as we reap what we have sown in tears.

The responsorial psalm echoes the passage from Jeremiah, describing Israel's deliverance from exile. God has reversed the fortune of the faithful: "They go forth weeping...(but) shall come back rejoicing" (Psalm 126:6). In all honesty, the history of the Chosen People in the course of the Old Testament is one of many reversals of fortune, both good and bad. But they could always look forward in hope because they had faith in the Lord. This faith is mirrored in Bartimaeus, leading Jesus to tell him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you" (Mark 10:52). Faith enables us to look forward in hope.

FAITH

**(F) FORWARDING
(A) ALL
(I) ISSUES
(T) TO
(H) HEAVEN**

The question that Jesus asks Bartimaeus is almost exactly the same as the one we heard Him ask James and John last week: "What do you want Me to do for you?" (Mark 10:36, 10:51). But whereas James and John asked for power and glory, not seeing what they were asking of Jesus, Bartimaeus, the blind man, sees Jesus for who He is and asks for healing. Granted his request, Bartimaeus immediately followed Jesus. In other words, he immediately became a disciple. Bartimaeus had been blind, but he had the eyes of faith all along.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How would I answer the question, Jesus has asked the last two weeks: "What do you want Me to do for you?"
Blessings!! *Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP*

PARISH NEWS

ON THURSDAY, 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: Wednesday, October 31st, 7p.m. Vigil, and Thursday, November 1st at 7 and 9 a.m., 12 Noon and 7 p.m. **In observance of the Holy Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 1st.**

NOVENA MASSES FOR ALL SOULS DAY

Friday, November 2nd, is All Souls Day. We will have a 9 day Novena of Masses for all our departed loved ones beginning on Friday, November 2nd through Saturday, 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.

+++++CONGRATULATIONS+++++

Congratulations to Alberto Huerta who received the Rite of Acceptance at last Sunday's 10 a.m. Mass by Father Raphael. Alberto's sponsor was Anthony Martelli.

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.

SOCIAL MINISTRY—Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Social Ministry group is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive for the weekends of November 4th and November 11th. 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, on November 17th and 18th of Thanksgiving week. We can only accept pies or turkeys at the lower level of the Rectory before each Mass that Saturday night/Sunday or on Monday morning (November 19th) between 7:30 and 9 a.m. for distribution on Monday morning. 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!!!



UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

NOVEMBER

A SPECIAL MASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE MOVED AND A WELCOME TO ALL NEW PARISHIONERS



Next weekend, November 3rd & 4th at each of our Masses, Saturday, 5 p.m. & Sunday 8:30, 10, & 11:30 a.m. & 5 p.m. with Breakfast Reception after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday

Special Recognition and Blessings at each Mass for those of our dear Parishioners who are moving or have recently moved and for those families who just joined our Parish.

POCKETBOOK BINGO

Win Designer Handbags (Coach, Dooney & Bourke & many more!!!)



Friday, November 9th, at 7 p.m. in McManus Center
For reservations contact Barbara at 914 329-3067 or the Parish Office.

BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, November 23rd, from 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. in McManus Parish Center

JOIN THE CAST FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PLAY



Be a part of the presentation of The Nativity, our Christmas Play. Let the actor in you come out!!!!

Join your fellow parishioners!!!!

Rehearsals start this Sunday, October 28th after the 5 p.m. Mass. There are small parts and big parts, don't be shy!

Calling all Seniors! Calling all Seniors!



Join fellow seniors on **Thursday, November 1st** for the 9 a.m. Mass with a Special Blessing followed by light refreshments and gathering in the **Rectory Basement.**



SHARING COMMUNITY MEAL: Thursday, November 1st, we are providing the Sharing Community with our monthly contribution of baked ziti and desserts. Please bring your donation to the Rectory basement. The door will be opened at 6:45 a.m. The Sharing Community truly appreciates our efforts. **If you'd like to contribute, please call the Parish Office at 914-965-0566**

ADORATION & HOLY HOUR: This Friday November 2nd 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 3rd,** 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.



Our food pantry has a need for the following items: pasta sauce, juice, mayonnaise, ketchup, sugar, flour, canned fruit, and tuna. Please keep this in mind on your next trip to the supermarket. Thank you for your continuing support!!



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

Amount Needed Weekly	\$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday	\$6,010.05
Balance	- \$ 989.95
*(Envelopes \$4,755.05, Online \$1,255.00)	

Amount Needed for Month of October	\$28,000.00
Amount Collected Thus Far	\$16,349.40

The second collection for Mission Sunday totaled: \$807.00

"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 fill out the information sheet received in the mail.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Marian Fletcher, Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Joseph Mahoney, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Theresa Venturino, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Larry Vandak, Lou De Muro, Harold Sullivan, Clare Yaskovic, Manuel Obalde, Jr., and Bernie Tracey.

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



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Reverend Monsignor Thomas P.

Leonard and Deacon Farrell J. Hopkins.

Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. **Their next meeting is next Sunday, November 4th.** 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. **Their next meeting is Sunday, November 11th.**

Our **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10)** meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building. **Their next meeting is Friday, November 16th.**

October 28, 2018

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Saturday, October 27 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Deceased Members of Laudadio Family

Sunday, October 28, 2018

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Blanche & Giacomo Bilancia +
10:00 AM Tom & Kathleen Kearney +
11:30 AM Carmela, Frank & Dina Legio +
5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

Monday, October 29

Weekday

7:00 AM Elaine Grandolfi +
9:00 AM Anthony Prunella, Jr. +

Tuesday, October 30

Weekday

7:00 AM Rosalina Rosario De Mercado +
9:00 AM Anne Morrissey +

Wednesday, October 31

Weekday

7:00 AM Kevin Wazico +
9:00 AM Edith Kelly (Living)
7:00 PM Deacon Anthony Merchandetti +

Thursday, November 1

All Saints Day

7:00 AM Luigi & Maria Loreta Lucchetti +
9:00 AM Lucyanne Caruso +
12 Noon Kevin Wasiczko +
7:00 PM Dina Legio +

Friday, November 2

All Souls Day

7:00 AM Roberto & Pasqua Capuano and deceased children +
9:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

Saturday, November 3

Weekday

9:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

Saturday, November 3 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

Sunday, November 4, 2018

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Mary Maddocks +
10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish
11:30 AM Edward Beers +
5:00 PM Ramberto Blanco +

October 28, 2018

ALL SAINTS SOLEMNITY

NOVEMBER 1ST

The earliest certain observance of a feast in honor of all the saints is an early fourth century commemoration of “all the martyrs”.



In the early seventh century, after successive waves of invaders plundered the catacombs, Pope Boniface IV gathered up some twenty-eight wagonloads of bones and reinterred them beneath the Pantheon, a Roman temple dedicated to all the gods. The pope rededicated the shrine as a Christian church.

According to Bede, the pope intended “that the memory of all the saints might in the future be honored in the place which had formerly been dedicated to the worship not of gods but of demons”. (On the Calculation of Time).

But the rededication of the Pantheon, like the earlier commemoration of all the martyrs, occurred in May. Many Eastern Churches still honor all the saints in the spring, either during the Easter season or immediately after Pentecost.

How the Western Church came to celebrate this feast in November is a puzzle to historians. The Anglo-Saxon theologian Alcuin observed the feast on November 1 in 800, as did his friend Arno, bishop of Salzburg. Rome finally adopted that date in the ninth century.

COMMENT: This feast first honored martyrs. Later, when Christians were free to worship according to their conscience, the church acknowledged other paths to sanctity. In the early centuries the only criterion was popular acclaim, even when the bishop’s approval became the final step on placing a commemoration on the calendar. The first papal canonization occurred in 993; the lengthy process now required to prove extraordinary sanctity took form in the last five hundred years. Today’s feast honors the obscure as well as the famous—the saints each of us has known.

From Saint of the Day, edited by Leonard Foley, O.F.M. & Pat McCloskey, O.F.M.

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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