Saint Bartholomew's Church

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY N ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them."

- Mk 6:7, 10-11

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

CALLED TO BE DISCIPLES

When Amos is banished from Bethel for his prophesying, he responds, "I was no prophet... I was a shepherd

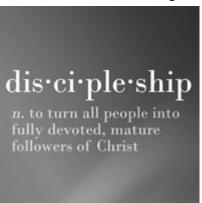


and a dresser of sycamores" (Amos 7:14). Like Jesus' disciples centuries later, Amos did not study to be a priest or a prophet. He was called by God from his chosen

profession. He cared for sheep and also for the fig-like fruit of the sycamore tree, which had to be pierced to allow it to ripen fully. Perhaps in his new role he needed to pierce the corruption of the rulers in order to let the kingdom of God blossom.

Jesus sent out the disciples two by two, which certainly made traveling easier and safer. It is interesting to

speculate about how they were paired off. Perhaps Peter, impetuous and outspoken, was sent with Tomas, unsure of what he did not see himself. Maybe Andrew, the fisherman, traveled with Matthew, the tax collector. Who might have been paired with Judas? Yet de-



spite the differing personalities and backgrounds and attitudes, they were all able to do the work of the Lord.

Jesus' disciples could not bring much at all on their mission, but still they were able to attract followers, drive out demons, and cure many who were sick. They could only take a walking stick, their sandals and the clothes on their back, but that is not all they had. They had authority over unclean spirits. They had the model of Jesus, whom they had witnessed accomplishing these things. They assuredly had the Lord's guidance. God provided all they needed; anything more would just have been unnecessary and distracting.

Question of the Week:

When I feel ill-equipped for the journey, do I trust that God will provide what I need?



Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Joan Mole and Dianne Milder.

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Register now for next year's Religious Education program. Children in public school who will be entering First Grade through High School in 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.



The Rite of Christian Initiation (popularly known as RCIA) is the process designed by the Church for adults to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. Please contact Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676 if you or somebody you know might be interested in the program.

To all of the Donors: St. Bart's and Hudson Valley Blood Services express sincere appreciation to the 76 donors and 9 volunteers who came down to our 90^{th} Blood Drive on 7/6/18 to

donate 73 pints. Since 1981, St Bart's blood drives have collected 6,825 units of blood. Once again, Hudson Valley Blood Services can depend on St. Bart's friends and parishioners to understand the need for blood, particularly during critical times of shortage. 10 donors gave a double red cell donation using the



ALYX system. 53 donors gave a regular donation, 12 donors were deferred for various reasons. There were 8 new donors and 24 walk-ins. 10 prospective donors had signed up but were not able to attend. These 10 prospective donors and anyone else who is interested can make an appointment to donate at their convenience by calling HVBS at 800-933-2566. Remember, there is still a blood emergency in effect. If you wish, ask to credit your donation to St. Bart's group # 7747. We have tentatively scheduled our next drive for the **FRIDAY**, **November 23, 2018** and look forward to continuing this much needed community

Once again, thanks to all!!

Anthony Sciacca, Chairperson



CONGRATULATIONS:

To the following new altar servers: Monserath Valdovinos and Angelina Gueits. Thank you also to their parents who support these children by bringing them to rehearsals and for service.

Blessings

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

<u>JULY</u> <u>Movie Thursday,</u> This Thursday, July 19th, 9:30 am to 12 Noon



<u>Steubenville (Youth)</u> July 20th—July 22nd

<u>AUGUST</u> <u>Movie Thursday</u> Thursday, August 16th, 9:30 am to 12 Noon

PARISH BLOCK PARTY CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW Saturday, August 25, 6-10 pm

Please join us for a fun filled evening. Look for the flyer in today's bulletin. Please see the sign up sheets at the rear of the church to make a donation or to volunteer. We need your help. Thank you!!!!!



Our YOUTH GROUP meets on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building.. <u>Their next meeting is this Sunday</u>, July 15th. Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St Barts-Youth.

Please pray for the Youth Group and Youth Ministers as they attend the Steubenville conference, July 20^{th} , 21^{st} and 22^{nd} .



Our newly formed **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.

APPROPRIATE DRESS IN CHURCH:

The Church is the House of God. When we enter, we are setting our feet on Holy Ground. For this reason, the way we dress for Church should reflect the reverence we have for this sacred space where the Lord dwells. It is simply not proper to enter the Church with clothing that is not modest or appropriate. It is with this in mind that we acknowledge that some kinds of dress, while comfortable , may not be appropriate for Church.

CELL PHONE ALERT:

As you join us for sacred worship, we remind you to please **TURN OFF** your cell phone. Let your focus be on Prayer and the Presence of Jesus among us.

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!!



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

Amount Needed Weekly Actual Received Last Sunday Balance *(Envelopes \$4,651.15, Online 490.00)	\$7,000.00 \$5,141.15 - \$1,858.85
Amount Needed for Month of July	\$35,000.00
Amount Collected Thus Far	\$10,155.75

The Second Collection for the Church in Africa Totaled: \$1,025.30

"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, and Harold Sullivan.

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

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.

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, July 14 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Marion De Muro +

Sunday, July 15, 2018 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM	Ethel Castagnozzi +
10:00 AM	Frank Schweizer +
11:30 AM	Deceased Members Of The Legio Family
5:00 PM	Rosalie Chimenti +
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Monday, July 16

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	Stephen Hickey +

Tuesday, July 17

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	Joseph Sarich +

Wednesday, July 18

Weekday	
7:00 AM	Mary & Daniel McCarthy +
9:00 AM	Isadore Heit +

Thursday, July 19

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	Ruben Capistran +

Friday, July 20

Weekday	
7:00 AM	No Intention
9:00 AM	Anne Morrissey +

Saturday, July 21

Weekday

- 9:00 AM Thomas & Patrick Keane +
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Saturday, July 21 (Anticipated Mass)

- 5:00 PM Christine Bellino +
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Sunday, July 22, 2018 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM	Dr. Louis Loscalzo +
10:00 AM	Dionisia Marranzino +
11:30 AM	Susie & Vincent Streva +
5:00 PM	William E. Bruder +



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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registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor 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:

 \Box I am interested in parish membership.

 $\hfill\square$ I am a visitor.

□ Change of Address / Telephone Number.

- \Box I am moving out of the Parish.
- \Box I am going to the hospital.

 \Box I would like to be visited by a priest / minister.

 $\hfill\square$ Please send me the Catholic New York.

 $\hfill\square$ 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. Their next meeting is Thursday, July 19th at 1 p.m. New members are welcome. The group is also 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. For more information, please call 914 423-5331.All are welcome. Reservations are preferred.