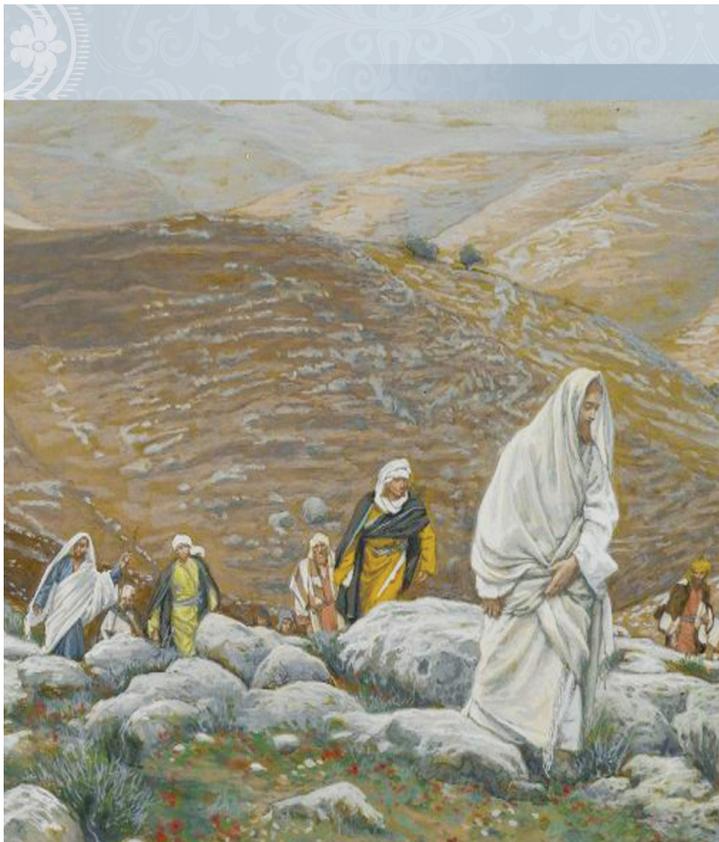


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4th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. - Lk 4:28, 30

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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
Rev. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate Pastor
Deacon Robert A. Clemens
Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Administrative Assistant
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 and 11:30 a.m. 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

WHO HAVE I CHOSEN TO BE AN OUTSIDER?



Like Isaiah before him, Jeremiah spoke truth to power and incurred the wrath of those whose infidelity he condemned. In today's first reading, Jeremiah tells us why he does not fear the opposition he's fomented. The Lord has assured him that he will be protected that "they will fight against you but not prevail over you? (Jeremiah 1:19) This assurance sustains him through periods of doubt and despair. Unlike every other prophet, Jeremiah confesses his inner struggle with his prophetic calling in his writings. He reveals his anger at God for choosing him. Yet he relentlessly returns to living out his call to speak forthrightly, whether to ordinary people or to kings and princes.

Saint Paul notes that of the three primary virtues of faith, hope, and love, the greatest is love. Love is also the most long-lasting. When we die and find ourselves in the presence of God, neither faith nor hope will be necessary. Love alone will we retain. That love, seeing distinctly, seeing fully, will find a purity rarely glimpsed in this world. From that vantage point, we will see, with mercy, the limitations of our love in this world.

Isaiah, Elijah, and Elisha. Quoting or referencing these three luminaries, as Jesus does today, should be a ticket to acceptance, one would think. But when Elijah told the king that the Lord would bring three years of drought, then left to save the life of a foreigner, he didn't exactly endear himself to the starving Israelites. When Elisha cured the foreign general—not his own people—then brought that disease upon his own scheming servant, it could have easily provoked resentment. When Isaiah called for glad tidings to the poor and lowly, and freedom to the oppressed and imprisoned, how must those in power have felt? The people of Nazareth expected a Messiah would overthrow the Romans and bring them freedom and glad tidings. Why is he talking about helping foreigners instead? Luke consistently emphasizes that Jesus was sent to outsiders and was sent to show mercy. Jesus' own people failed to appreciate this.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Who have I chosen to treat as an outsider, unworthy of my mercy and compassion?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

ADORATION & HOLY HOUR: This Friday, February 4th, is First Friday. We will have Holy Hour at 1 p.m. Saturday, February 5th, 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.




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.

Take Note



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE are donated in loving memory of Carmine Nicholas Maccia by John and Karen McKenna.

The Religious Ed Program is once again sponsoring a used eyeglass collection in partnership with the local Lions Club. At various mission sites in poorer countries, eye care professionals along with Lions Club volunteers will perform vision screenings and dispense the appropriate recycled glasses, free of charge, to children and adults in need who otherwise would not be able to afford glasses.



So please help give the gift of sight to those in need by bringing your old eyeglasses and those of your friends, relatives and neighbors to the church **before this Sunday, January 30th**. A box marked for eyeglasses will be on the back table of the church for you to deposit your donated glasses.



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.

ST. BLAISE | FEBRUARY 3

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THROATS WILL BE BLESSED HERE AT ST. BART'S ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD AT THE 7 AM AND 9 AM MASSES.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S IS AS FOLLOWS:

MASSES
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
7 AM AND 9 AM
SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM
SUNDAY MASSES
9:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 5 PM

****CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM****

Meals for a Soup Kitchen: The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans will be collected FOR FEBRUARY on Saturday, February 5th one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on Sunday February 6th, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses. Trays will be available for those who wish to donate food beginning this Saturday and Sunday, January 29th and 30th.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS
First Corinthians and the Stewardship of Social Media

"Love is patient, love is kind ..." As familiar as these words are, they never seem to stray into the territory of becoming trite or silly. At their core they communicate a truth about us and about our Creator that never fails to inspire.

But despite the fact that you've probably heard it at many weddings over time, First Corinthians isn't just for newlyweds. It wasn't written for married folks. It's for every single one of us, in every state of life and every social situation, in every country and culture and language across the globe.

Which means that First Corinthians is even for the online world. It's for Facebook and Twitter and Instagram and all the other platforms I'm forgetting (there seems to be a new one every day, doesn't there?).

A sense of division — whether rooted in politics, culture or anything else — is growing in our world, and it's never more obvious than when we observe interactions online. It is far easier, after all, to remember what love is when a human being of flesh and blood stands before us. When all we see is an avatar or a profile picture on a screen — especially accompanied by an opinion with which we vehemently disagree — even the most loving Christians can throw First Corinthians out the window.

As everyday stewards we know that we are charged to be not only gracious but grateful. We receive others but we also give thanks for what they bring to us — even if that's an opportunity to "strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts."

So before the next time you post anything online, I suggest giving First Corinthians a read — and remember, love never fails.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS lpi

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!!!! Go to: www.saintbartparish.org and click on the We Share online giving link. Thank you!!!

STEWARDSHIP

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

January 16th

Sunday collection: \$2,296.00
On Line giving: \$1,185.00
Total: \$3,481.00

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If you have any questions or problems, contact the Parish Office and leave a message or e mail us at stbartschurch@aol.com.



LORD
give strength
to your people

Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, 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, Theresa Chappory, 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, and Baby Joseph Anthony Coddington.

Please contact 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.



Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Rosalia Guzman, Daniel Pezzola and Matilda Schweizer.

January 30 2022

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, January 29 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Daniel P. De Rosa +

Sunday, January 30, 2022

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Leonore Erb & Elizabeth Laredo +
Giovanni Lucchetti (Living)

11:30 AM For All the People of the Parish

5:00 PM Beverly Palazzo +

Monday, January 31

Saint John Bosco, Priest & Religious Founder

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Nijole (Jackie) Zukauskas +

Tuesday, February 1

Weekday

7:00 AM Special Intention

9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

Wednesday, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Song & Maria Phan +

Thursday, February 3

Weekday

Saint Blaise, Bishop & Martyr

7:00 AM Linda & Gene Skelly +

9:00 AM Carmine Nicholas Maccia +

Friday, February 4

Weekday—First Friday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Barbara Howley +

Saturday, February 5

First Saturday

Saint Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

9:00 AM Antoinette McDermott +

Saturday, February 5 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Albert Pragana +

Sunday, February 6, 2022

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Robert Liddell +
Walter Zigabarra +

11:30 AM Josephine & Michael Califano +

Anna & Anthony Faracco &

Julieann Campisi Moroch +

5:00 PM For All the People of the Parish

January 30, 2022

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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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

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

