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**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

**THE RULERS SNEERED AT JESUS AND SAID,
"HE SAVED OTHERS, LET HIM SAVE HIMSELF IF HE IS
THE CHOSEN ONE, THE CHRIST OF GOD." - LK 23:35**

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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
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

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The concept of a king may be anachronistic for us, and indeed in most of this world, but today's solemnity asks us to look at king in a different way. We are asked to allow Jesus Christ to reign in our lives, to rule our consciences, to guide us in our actions. There exists the entire universe, true, but there also exists our own personal universe that encompasses our own life. As Jesus rules over all creation, we are also asked to allow him to rule over our lives.



The Chosen People had divided themselves into twelve tribes, each enjoying local authority but vulnerable to outside invaders and threats. They wanted a king to unite and defend them. They found one in David—chosen by God, anointed by Samuel, victor over the Philistines—and he united the northern and southern tribes. Under David, the empire of Israel stretched across the region. He was the king of their universe. Jesus is king of all the universe, for in Him all things in heaven and earth were created and through Him all things are reconciled. Jesus unites all creation.



Repentance is a process. The sinner must acknowledge the sin and his/her sinfulness, then show remorse and ask for forgiveness.. Once forgiven, the person can be reconciled with the one whom she/he hurt and with God. The first criminal wants a shortcut to salvation. He wants the Savior to save him the easy way. He does not realize that this is not the way salvation works.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

For whom do I need to seek forgiveness and whom do I need to forgive? Can I look at this as part of the road to salvation?

Blessings *Fr. Raphael, Ezech, MSP*

CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

Our traditional Advent and Christmas candle set (\$100), and 1 Christmas wreath (\$125 each) can be donated in memory of loved ones. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested at 914 965-0566. More items will be listed in the following weeks.

PARISH NEWS

THE ATLAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD & WINE, ALTAR CANDLE AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in memory of Frank G. Nanoia by Angela and Louis Brusco.



This Thursday, November 28th is Thanksgiving Day. There will be only one Mass at 10 a.m. All parishioners are encouraged to come and give thanks to God for all His blessings at the annual Thanksgiving Day Mass. The Parish Office will close early on Wednesday, November 27th at 1 p.m. and will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 28th and 29th.



Happy Thanksgiving!

THANKSGIVING SHARING TABLE

It has been the custom at our Parish for those attending the 10 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Mass to bring something for our Sharing Table. Typically this would be along the lines of a pie, special bread, a favorite dessert, candy, or flowers. At the end of Mass all items on the table are blessed and all are welcome to choose an item to add to their holiday table, thus sharing our meal with our Parish family

**SOCIAL MINISTRY
Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive**

The Social Ministry group is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive until Saturday and Sunday, November 23rd and 24th. Please bring to church Thanksgiving appropriate items no later than this Sunday, November 24th.

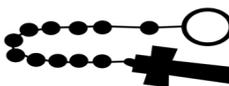
Our Parish Giving Tree

Our giving tree will be at the back of the church on Friday, November 29th. Due to the fact that there is a short time frame between Thanksgiving and Christmas (there are only 3 weeks), we are requesting that gifts be returned no later than Tuesday, December 17th. Thank you for your continued support in this very special season of giving.



THE WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE MEMBERS OF THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

on Monday, December 2nd for their annual Christmas dinner at Fogarty's (at 6:30 p.m.) at 60 Kraft Avenue in Bronxville, NY. The cost is \$30 per person which includes the tip. Reservations are required no later than Friday, November 29th. Please RSVP to Liz at 914 403-8844 or contact the Parish Office. Payment marked RAS dinner can be dropped in the collection basket or brought to the Parish Office.



Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially John P. McMahon, Louis Brusco and James Gray.

Rest in Peace



Parish Events

NOVEMBER EVENTS

St Bart's will be conducting the 94th blood drive in the 38 years since starting in 1981 on this Friday, November 29th, at the McManus Parish Center from 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. St Bart's parishioners and friends have made 7035 donations to date. We are traditionally asked to run drives during holiday periods when the need for blood is great and the donations are usually down.



Your support is just one of many things that make St. Bart's special. We are also looking for volunteers to help out for two hours on drive day. If you can donate or volunteer, please call Tony Sciacca @ 423-3592 for an appointment and tell your family and friends too.

DECEMBER EVENTS

Monday, December 2nd RAS Christmas Dinner, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 12th, Our Lady Of Guadalupe Celebrations (more details to follow)

Sunday, December 15th and Tuesday, December 17th. The Nativity Play in the Church presented by our very own St. Bart's Parishioners

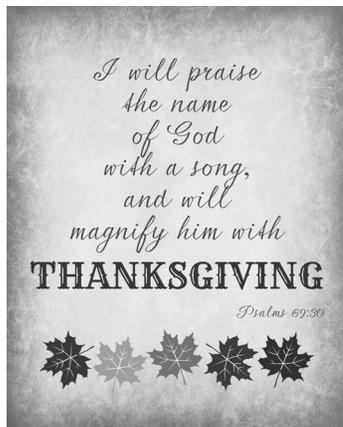
Monday, December 16th, Reconciliation Monday



THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks. Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our family and friends. Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother.
Amen



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!!!! (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY)



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

November 17, 2019- Tithing

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| Envelopes | \$4,169.35 |
| Online | \$ 790.00 |
| Total | \$4,959.35 |

"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.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary DeSantis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutowski, 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, Gianna Whitehead and Gloria DeLuccy.

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

Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets in the school building on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass.

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, December 8th.**

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 will be Friday, January 17, 2020.**

MUSICIAN NEEDED

The Sunday 5 p.m. choir is in need of a guitarist. Please contact Joe Chimenti at 914 843-7767 or contact the Parish Office.

November 24, 2019

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Saturday,

November 23 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Albert Pragana +

Sunday, November 24, 2019

Our Lord Jesus, King of the Universe

8:30 AM Antonio D'Addario +

10:00 AM Joseph Bracchitta +

11:30 AM Maura Cecilia Pereyra +

5:00 PM David & Thanh Nguyen (Living)

Monday, November 25

Weekday

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

9:00 AM Allysa Espinal +

Tuesday, November 26

Weekday

7:00 AM Frank G. Nanoia +

9:00 AM Emil Kurak (Living)

Wednesday, November 27

Weekday

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

9:00 AM Joseph Frischman +

Thursday, November 28

Weekday—Thanksgiving Day

10:00 AM For All The People of the Parish

Friday, November 29

Weekday

9:00 AM Pasquale & Roberto Capuano +

Saturday, November 30

Saint Andrew, Apostle

9:00 AM Gaetano Taormina +

Saturday, November 30 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Robert & Lillian Kurtz +

Sunday, December 1 2019

First Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM Oscar Starckenberg +

10:00 AM Joseph Prior +

11:30 AM Edythe Lutomski +

5:00 PM John Nieman +

November 24, 2019

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, please fill out 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.
 - I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.
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WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC OR LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Do any of these describe you? Check all that apply and return.

- _____ I have never been Baptized and want to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- _____ I was Baptized as a Christian, and I wish to become Catholic.
- _____ I was Baptized Catholic but have not received any other Sacraments.
- _____ I am Married to a Catholic and would like to receive the Sacraments.
- _____ I am Baptized, made my First Communion, but was never Confirmed.
- _____ I have a friend that would like to become Catholic.
- _____ My _____ needs to make their First Communion and Confirmation.

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Please return to: Cheryl Duda, St. Bartholomew's Religious Ed or drop in collection basket or call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676.