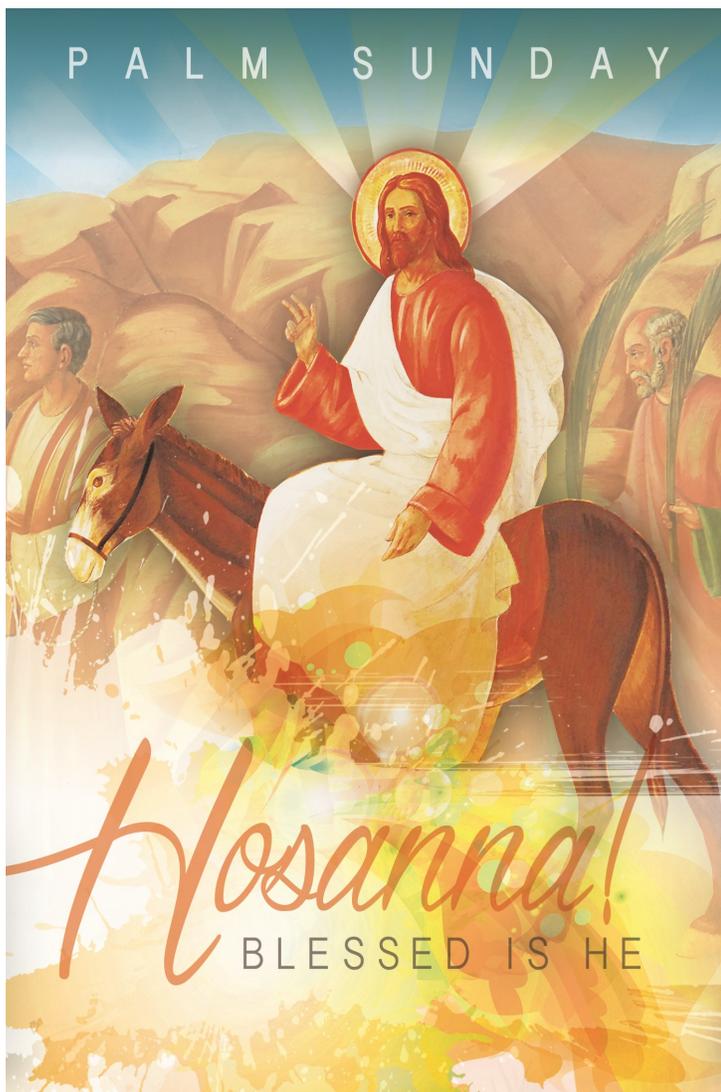


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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and 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. 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

BLESSED IS THE KING

Today the disciples sing and shout as they enter Jerusalem, crying out with joy, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord" (Luke 19:38). But in just a few short days the disciples will be silent and absent as Jesus is led away to Golgotha to be crucified under the inscription, "This is the King of the Jews" (Luke 23:38). Desolate and defeated, they do not find their voices until the Holy Spirit frees their tongues at Pentecost. But Jesus told the Pharisees that "if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!" (Luke 19:40). It gives us hope that during times of persecution, times of trial, even in the absence of voices, somehow the testimony of God's creation will bear witness.



The word of God is dynamic. It inspires action. Isaiah preaches that day after day God opens his ears, suggesting that there is freshness in God's word each day. Moreover, Isaiah is called to use God's word to rouse the people, to get them to act. God's word means to do more than inform or instruct, it is to drive people to act.

None of us can honestly say that we are worse off than Jesus was at His death. Emptied of all His divine privileges, obedient to the will of God, humbling Himself as a slave, He accepted the abuse, the conviction, and the death sentence. He has been betrayed by one friend, denied by another, and abandoned by the rest. He has no possessions. All He had was the clothes on His back, and even those are taken away. He is humiliated, disgraced, put to shame. He is all alone. No, He is not alone. He knows God has not abandoned Him. Nor are any of us alone. No matter how horrible our lot is, we are not alone.



Jesus has placed His trust in God and has surrendered to God's will, so throughout the narrative His concern is not with His own fate, but with those of others: His disciples, Peter, the high priest's servant, the women of Jerusalem, the penitent criminal. The word compassion literally means "to suffer with," and in the midst of His greatest suffering Jesus suffers with all these people He encounters on the path to His death. Even on the cross, hours from death, He shows compassion to the criminal who asks for mercy.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How is Jesus a model for me when I suffer?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP

PARISH NEWS



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Debra Ann Abbott.

The Altar Bread and Wine are donated in loving memory Carmine Nicholas Maccia by John & Karen McKenna.



Those attending **THE CHRISM MASS** on Tuesday, April 16th, please be in the St. Bartholomew's Parking lot **no later than 1:15 p.m.** The bus will be departing promptly at 1:30 p.m.



Our Social Ministry Group will be providing Easter Food Baskets to some of our less fortunate brothers and sisters. The items we are requesting to enhance the holiday spirit of our baskets are candy, fresh/canned fruits or fresh/frozen desserts. The baskets will be distributed this coming week. The food pantry can always use canned corn, juices and cereals. Thank you for your support.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER ON THIS THURSDAY, HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 18TH, BEGINS AT 7 P.M THIS YEAR. ON GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH, STATIONS OF THE CROSS ARE AT 2 P.M. AND SERVICES BEGIN AT 3 P.M. AND 7 P.M. SEE THE FULL LIST FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY ON THE NEXT PAGE OF THIS BULLETIN.



Palms for Palm Sunday were donated by the following families:

Mary Ann Cognatello in loving memory of the Cognatello & Gregorio Families

Dolly De Rosa in loving memory of Daniel De Rosa



Janet Madonia in loving memory of Dennis Madonia

Karen & John McKenna in loving memory of the Carmine & Margaret Maccia

Joanne Pragana in loving memory of Albert Pragana, Mary & Joseph Cuozzo, Lucille & Victor Serricchio & Christine Bellino

Quincy and Theresa Venturino in loving memory of the Venturino Family

Quincy and Theresa Venturino in loving memory of the Martucci Family

PARISH EVENTS

April

CHRISM MASS

This Tuesday, April 16th, St. Patrick's Cathedral—4 p.m.
It's not too late to join us. Please contact the Parish Office,
no later than Monday, April 15th.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S SWEEPSTAKES SOCIAL

Saturday, April 27th at 7 p.m. (Doors
open at 6:30 p.m.)

Great Prizes.....50/50.....Raffles
**\$20 per ticket includes sandwiches,
snacks, drinks and desserts**
McManus Parish Center

For tickets contact Barbara at 914 329-3067 or call the
Parish Office.

The theme is "Kentucky Derby" so have some fun with us
and wear your best "hat".



OUR 2019 EASTER WISH LIST

In anticipation of a joyous Easter season, our parish families and
individuals are invited to assist the parish in purchasing the following
liturgical items in memory of a loved one(s): *chasubles and religious
items are still available.*— Please contact the Parish Office for more
information.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday, April 15th from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Holy Saturday, April 20th from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

EASTER TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY, April 18th

Mass of the Lord's Supper at **7:00 p.m.**

- ◆ Washing of the Feet
- ◆ Reposition of the Blessed Eucharist



GOOD FRIDAY, April 19th

- ◆ Stations of the Cross at 2:00 p.m.
- ◆ Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m.



HOLY SATURDAY, April 20th

Blessing of the Breads at 9 a.m.
Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection
at **8:00 p.m.**



EASTER SUNDAY, April 21st

Masses will be at 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and
11:30 a.m. There is no 5:00 p.m. Mass



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
Sunday Collection Update

Amount Needed Weekly	\$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday	\$6,273.30
Balance	- \$ 726.70
*(Envelopes \$5,418.30, \$855.00 Online)	

Amount Needed for Month of April	\$28,000.00
Amount Collected Thus Far	\$ 6,273.30

The Second Collection for Buildings and Grounds totaled:
\$830.50.

"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 Marian Fletcher, Ann Lackner, Audrey
Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon
Bob Clemens, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro,
Theresa Venturino, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak,
Larry Vandak, Harold Sullivan, Clare Yaskovic, Manuel Obalde,
Jr., Spinner, Edison Blanco, Steven Sarich, Larry Mesler, John
McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jerry Esposito, and Jeri
Michele Sugrue.

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

BE "INFORMED" FOR APRIL

We hope you are enjoying the free parish subscription to
www.formed.org.

Not on formed yet? Go to saintbartparish.formed.org. Click
Register, then enter your name, e-mail address and desired
password. You are now registered to enjoy the free parish
subscription which gives you 24/7 access to over 300 quality
catholic on line programs, 99+ movies, 101+ audios, and 98+ E-
books.

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a
minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the
Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sister Eileen Clifford,
OP at 646 794-2949 or victimassistance@archny.org. Information
can also be found on the archdiocesan website at www.archny.org.
In keeping with the archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of
minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children
remain safe and secure.

April 14, 2019

Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, April 13, (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Lucille & Carl Rossi +

Sunday, April 14, 2019
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:30 AM Carmine Nicholas Maccia +
10:00 AM Joseph Paul Prior +
11:30 AM Anne Marie Selvaraj +
5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Monday, April 15

Monday of Holy Week

7:00 AM Mary Walsh +
9:00 AM Maria & Joseph Nguyen +

Tuesday, April 16

Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM No Intention

Wednesday, April 17

Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00AM Michael & Loretta Kennedy +
9:00 AM Alfred Bruno +

Thursday, April 18

Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)

7:00 PM Mass & Eucharistic Adoration
For All The People of Our Parish

Friday, April 19

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

2:00 PM Stations of the Cross
3:00 PM Service—No Mass
7:00 PM Service—No Mass

Saturday, April 20

Holy Saturday

9:00 AM Blessing of the Breads (No Mass)
8:00 PM Easter Vigil
For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, April 21, 2019
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:30 AM Elizabeth & Carl Laredo +
10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Brusco &
Nanoia Families
11:30 AM Gino & Ann Louise Coniglio +

April 14, 2019

LOCAL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Life Line Screening is coming to St. Bart's on Thursday, June 27th. Appointments begin at 9 a.m. Call to schedule your appointment at 1 888 653-6450. Tell your family and friends.

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. They will hold their 27th Anniversary luncheon at San Martino Restaurant, 12 Young Avenue in Yonkers, NY on Thursday, April 25th at 1 p.m. The cost is \$25 payable at the luncheon. Members and guests are welcome but reservations are required. Please call 914 423-5331.

FROM THE FAMILY LIFE OFFICE:

On Saturday, April 27, 2019, EnCourage NY and Courage NY are sponsoring their 2nd Annual Spirituality Conference titled, "Divine Mercy and Families". This day-long conference will be held at Kennedy Catholic High School in Somers, NY. Fr. Gerald Murray will be one of the keynote speakers, and Bishop Edward Scharfenberger (Albany, NY) will be the Vigil Mass Celebrant. Cost is \$25 per person and lunch is included. For further details, visit www.enourageny.com.

JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Become a member of the Cardinal Hayes Council # 3995. You can join the K of C on line at: Kofc.org/joinus, or call **Ted Reiper at 914 457-3865** or **John Fucco at 914 774-0527**. Men 18 years and older are welcome to join. Monthly meetings are at St. John the Baptist Church, Yonkers, NY.

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2019 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 2nd at 2:00 p.m.. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish to register. The closing date to register for the Mass is Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5 p.m.



The Stepinac Theatre presents the national high school premiere production of, *A Bronx Tale, The Musical*. Show dates are May 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th at 7 p.m. and a matinee on May 12th at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$22 for adults and \$18 for children under 12 and senior citizens. For tickets and reservations, please call 914 946-4800 ext. 200. For further information e mail theatre@stepinac.org.

Archbishop Stepinac Theatre Program will sponsor an Outdoor spring giant tag Sale on Saturday, April 27th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sale will feature crafts, used merchandise, and "white elephant" tables. All are welcome. All proceeds benefit the school's theatre program.

Annunciation-Our Lady of Fatima parish at 470 Westchester Avenue, Tuckahoe, NY, 10707, 914 779-7345, proudly presents Behold the Wood of the Cross: A Musical Meditation on the Passion of Jesus, on Wednesday, April 27th at 7:30 p.m. The evening will feature the adult and children's choirs, as well as members of St. Frances de Chantal adult choir from the Bronx. Admission is free. All are welcome.

Volunteers are needed at Cabrini of Westchester in Dobbs Ferry. If you have a few hours to give to this rewarding experience please contact Simone Smith (Director of Human Resources and Volunteers) at 914 693-6800, ext. 571 or Yvonne at ext. 592.