

Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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
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 (also live streamed) and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday
Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. (also live streamed) Monday
through Friday;
9:00 a.m. Saturday (also live streamed)

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: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

**RECEIVING THE PRECIOUS BODY OF CHRIST
MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN WHAT I DO!!**

Today we hear both Moses and Jesus use the words "blood of the covenant" to describe their offering. For Moses, the blood from their animals seals the covenant God has made with the Chosen People. For Jesus, His blood assures His disciples — then and now — that they share in the new covenant brought about by His sacrifice. As the writer of Hebrews explains, Christ's blood raises the power of the covenant to a new level. Blood was understood to be the life force of animal and human life. Even as the flow of blood out of the animals who were sacrificed took their lives, it brought life to the altar and to the people upon whom it was sprinkled. In sealing the new covenant, Christ's blood offers eternal life to us all.

In John's account of the Last Supper, Jesus tells His disciples, "I am the vine, and you are the branches. Whoever remains in Me and I in Him will bear much fruit" (John 15:5). In Mark's Gospel, as we heard today, Jesus refers to the blood of the covenant as "the fruit of the vine" (Mark 14:25). The vine that is our Lord binds us to Him as it binds us in communion with each other. The fruit of the vine, offered to us in the Eucharist, joins us with Christ as we go forth to bear fruit in the world.

At the Last Supper, Jesus gave thanks to His Father before breaking the bread and sharing the cup. Indeed, the word eucharistia means "thanksgiving." Coming together today and sharing in this communal meal, we give thanks to God for this profound gift of His Body and Blood. During periods of time when we cannot receive the Eucharist, for instance because of a public health emergency, we become aware of a gift that we often take for granted. It is a gift, given freely and continually by God to all who believe. We give thanks by accepting this gift and resolving to use this life giving meal to sustain us in our discipleship.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How will the Body and Blood of Christ that I receive today make a difference in what I say and do this week?

Blessings **Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP**

I thank You, Jesus, my Divine Redeemer, for coming upon the earth for our sake, and for instituting the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist in order to remain with us until the end of the world.



I thank You, most loving Jesus, for having made Yourself my food, and for uniting me to Yourself with so much love in this wonderful Sacrament that I may live in You.

I thank You, my Jesus, for giving Yourself to me in this Blessed Sacrament, and so enriching it with the treasures

of Your love that You have no greater gift to give me.

I thank You not only for becoming my food but also for offering Yourself as a continual sacrifice to Your Eternal Father for my salvation.

I thank You, dear Jesus, for having become the priceless Victim to merit for me the fullness of heavenly favors. Awaken in me such confidence in You that their fullness may descend ever more fruitfully upon my soul.
Amen.

PARISH NEWS



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.



THE ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD & WINE, ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated for the intentions of the Brusco Family by Angela Brusco.



FOR THE WEEKEND MASSES, THE SATURDAY MASS AT 5 PM AND THE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:30 A.M., WILL BE SAID FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH. THIS SUNDAY MASS, JUNE 6TH, AT 9:30 A.M. WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:



DECEASED:

- Helen Clemens +
- Louis & Phyllis Martelli +
- Helen & Pete Pietrowski +

WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:
Intentions of the Brusco Family



Congratulations to those who were sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Bartholomew's Church by Bishop Gerald T. Walsh last Friday, May 28th. We thank God for them and ask all our parishioners to pray that the graces they have received from the Sacrament of Confirmation be used for their salvation and the salvation of all:

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| <i>Olivia Teresa Alba</i> | <i>Hailey Francis Albino</i> |
| <i>Angel Rey Cagua</i> | <i>Christina Hernandez</i> |
| <i>Jayson Christopher Martinez</i> | <i>Edilix Veronica Mercado</i> |
| <i>Derix Nicholas Mercado</i> | <i>Johnathan Jason Montes</i> |
| <i>Victoria Therese Pinto</i> | <i>Constantine Taveras</i> |
| <i>Angel Adeo Varela-Cardona</i> | |

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. Please call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 for more information.





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

MASSES MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7 AM AND 9 AM (9 AM MASS LIVE STREAMED ALSO FOR THOSE AT HOME)
SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME)
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM
SUNDAY MASSES AT 9:30 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME) AND 11:30 AM.

WHEN ATTENDING MASS, PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN YOUR NAME ON THE SIGN UP SHEETS ON THE TABLE AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.

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

FATHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY, JUNE 20TH

We will have a 9 day Novena of Masses for all our fathers, living and deceased. The Novena of Masses will begin on Sunday, June 20th and will end on Monday, June 28th. There are cards and/or envelopes at the back of the church if you want your father, father-in-law or any other father remembered in the Novena of Masses. Please fill out the envelope and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office during the week, on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS
We Can Prepare the Upper Room

We all know that person, don't we? Hey, maybe we've even been that person.

"I have a great relationship with God, but I don't go to church regularly. God and I are on good terms. I can talk to Him just fine on my own."

There isn't anything false in these statements. It's important to have an intimate, even conversational prayer relationship with God. But the problem with this attitude is that it implies that churches don't matter. Community worship doesn't matter. Today, we are reminded exactly why that is so untrue. Why we need our parishes, our priests, and each other.

The Body and Blood of Christ — that's what it's all about. If it's not about that, it's not about anything. If we don't have the Eucharist, we're just like the ancient priests, making sacrifices that don't have the power to redeem anybody.

Where do we receive the Body and Blood of Christ? For most of us, it's in our parishes. The altar of sacrifice is also the table we gather in front of, as a family, to become one with Christ in the truest and realest way possible, recreating the scene in the Upper Room over and over again every time Mass is celebrated.

The disciples were commissioned by Christ to prepare the Upper Room for the Last Supper. How can we take up that work ourselves? How can we strengthen the bonds in our spiritual family? How can we serve our parish, always remembering that the table is not meant to be set only for two?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing Program. We need your financial support especially at this difficult time.

PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME, YOU CAN TITHE IN 3 WAYS:

- *Mail in your envelope.*
- *Register for on line giving. **IT'S EASY!** (see below note).*
- *Drop off your envelope in the large container covered with a red cloth behind the organ. It is marked with a sign. **May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought and sign up for on line giving. Thank you!***

IT'S EASY TO 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!!!! **IT'S EASY!!! Go to: www.saintbartsparish.org (BE SURE TO SPELL OUT SAINT) and click on the We Share online giving link. Follow the instructions. (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY).**

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



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 Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Harold Sullivan, 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, Walter Duda, Edward Minozzi, Robert Minnucci, Lucia Sevivas, James Burns, Josephine Giabattista, Loni Shost, Ken Shost, and Emil Kurak.

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.

June 6, 2021

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, June 5 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, June 6, 2021

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

9:30 AM Helen Clemens +
Louis & Phyllis Martelli +
Helen & Pete Pietrowski +
Intentions of the Brusco Family

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

Monday, June 7

Weekday

7:00 AM Charity Ubawike +

9:00 AM Reverend Tom McDonald +

Tuesday, June 8

Weekday

7:00 AM Eugene Ubawike, Jr. +

9:00 AM Adriano & Livio DaMassa +

Wednesday, June 9

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the DePole &
Faranda Families

Thursday, June 10

Weekday

7:00 AM Obiora Ezeobiukwu +

9:00 AM Dwight J. Young +

Friday, June 11

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00 AM Obiora Ezeobiukwu +

9:00 AM Mary Bryce +

Saturday, June 12

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Frank, Carmela & Dina Legio +

Saturday, June 12 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, June 13, 2021

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM William & Anna Groth +
Deceased Members of the Holy Name and
Rosary Altar Societies
Patrick Vincent Fox +
In Thanksgiving for Saint Anthony

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

June 6, 2021

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

HOLY
COMMUNION



My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and I unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain,
with steadfast faith.
You, Our Lady of New York, know what we need.
We are certain that you will provide, so that,
as you did at Cana of Galilee,
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.



Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the Father's will
and to do what Jesus tells us:
He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.
We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

