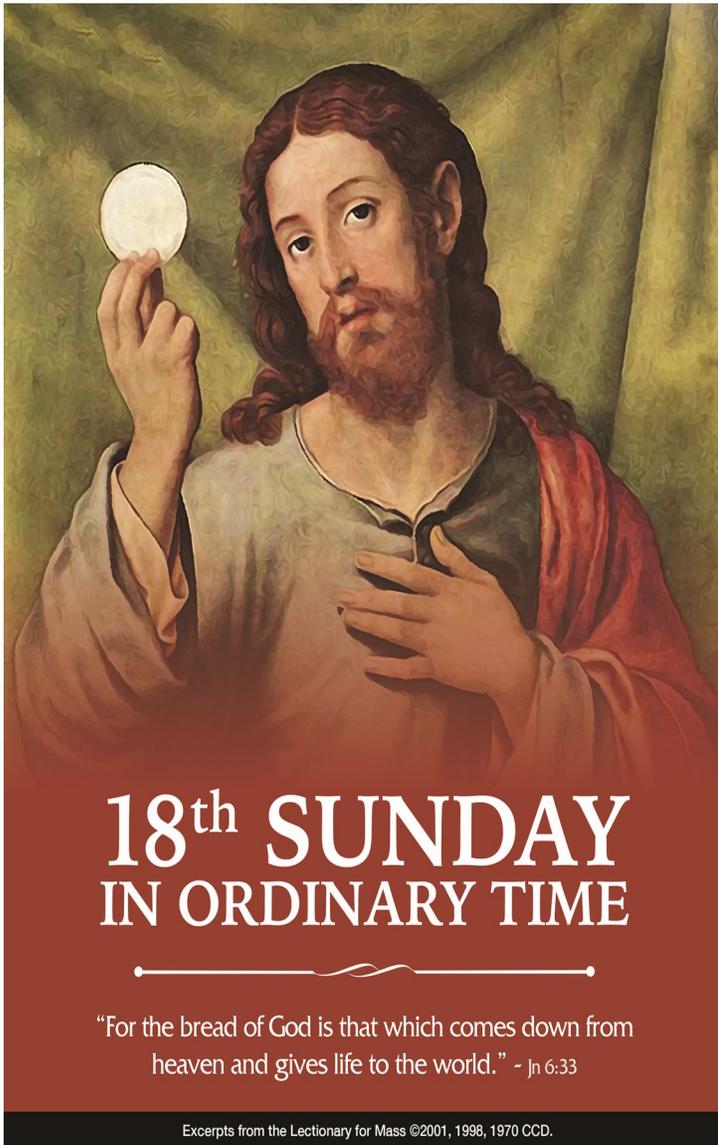


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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and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

THE BREAD FROM HEAVEN

The Israelites did not initially recognize the manna that God gave them to eat. "What is this?" they asked when seeing the flakes that resemble frost (Exodus 16:15). (In fact, the Hebrew, man hu, is translated as "What is it?") They failed to recognize the Lord's hand in answering their need. They failed even to recognize that this was food. It seems difficult to believe, considering how hungry they were. But we can be blind to a solution that doesn't look like we expected. Moreover, we can fail to see God's grace behind the blessings we receive.

Lest anyone misunderstand the source of heavenly blessings, Jesus declares that it was His Father, not Moses, who gave the Israelites the bread from heaven. The bread—this basic form of sustenance—came from God. It is a short stretch, then, to identify Himself as "that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world" (John 6:33).

This extraordinary form of sustenance, coming from God, is also bread, but special bread: The Bread of Life.

Paul tells the Christian community at Ephesus how fundamental a change they must make to their identity. They are to "put away the old self... and... put on the new self." making a total conversion (Ephesians 4:22-24). This is what the acceptance of Christ entails. This is the difference between working for "food that perishes" and "food that endures for eternal life" (John 6:27). Like the Ephesians, we are called to change our very selves.

Question of the Week:

What nourishment have I received in the Eucharist today? How will that sustain me as I "put on" my new self this week?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael



PARISH NEWS



FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:



Religious Education

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.

WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC OR LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Do you recognize yourself in any of these statements?

- ◆ I have never been baptized and want to learn more about the Catholic Faith.
- ◆ I was baptized in another Christian religion and now wish to become Catholic.
- ◆ I was baptized Catholic, but have not received any other Sacraments and little if any religious instruction.
- ◆ I am married to a Catholic and attend Mass and would like to receive the Sacraments. For further information, please call Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676.



The Story of the Transfiguration of the Lord, August 6th

All three Synoptic Gospels tell the story of the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8; Mark 9:2-9; Luke 9:28-36). With remarkable agreement, all three place the event shortly after Peter's confession of faith that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' first prediction of His passion and death. Peter's eagerness to erect tents or booths on the spot suggests it occurred during the week-long Jewish Feast of Booths in the fall.



According to Scripture scholars, in spite of the texts' agreement it is difficult to reconstruct the disciples' experience, because the Gospels draw heavily on Old Testament descriptions of the Sinai encounter with God, and prophetic visions of the Son of Man. Certainly Peter, James, and John had a glimpse of Jesus' divinity strong enough to strike fear into their hearts. Such an experience defies description, so they drew on familiar religious language to describe it. And certainly Jesus warned them that His glory and His suffering were to be inextricably connected—a theme John highlights throughout his Gospel.

Tradition names Mount Tabor as the site of the revelation. A church first raised there in the fourth century was dedicated on August 6. A feast in honor of the Transfiguration was celebrated in the Eastern Church from about that time. Western observance began in some localities about the eighth century.

On July 22, 1456, Crusaders defeated the Turks at Belgrade. News of the victory reached Rome on August 6, and Pope Callistus III placed the feast on the Roman calendar the following year.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

AUGUST

Movie Thursday

St. Kateri Tekakwitha

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.

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.. Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St_Barts-Youth.

Our **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.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

2018 and 2019 MASS BOOK

The 2018 Mass book still has a few Masses available and the 2019 Book is also open with dates available. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in our life, the graces associated with having a Mass offered on their behalf. You may have a thanksgiving Mass offered for your loved one or yourself on such occasions as birthday's, wedding anniversaries, etc. Also you may consider offering the Altar Flowers (\$100; or \$125 for roses), Altar Bread and Wine (\$30), Altar Candles (\$10) or the Sanctuary Lamp (\$10) for your intention. Come to the Parish Office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



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	\$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday	\$5,007.00
Balance	- \$1,993.00
*(Envelopes \$4,277, Online-2 weeks (7/22/ & 7/29) - \$415+\$315 = \$730)	

Amount Needed for Month of July	\$35,000.00
Amount Collected Thus Far	\$25,459.85

"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 Lutowski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Frank Sanzo, Isabel Medina, Larry Vandak, Lisa Villar, Rosemarie Petti, Paul Sarubbi, Judy Ellsworth, Nancy (Candy) Viola , Lou De Muro, Harold Sullivan, and Carmella Del Bene.

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

As you plan and enjoy your summer vacations, please do not forget your financial obligations to our Parish. God bless and keep you all!!!



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Philip Virga, Craig MacDougall and Anthony Santamarena..

August 5, 2018

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, August 4 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Antonio Marchetti +

Sunday, August 5, 2018
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Carl Laredo +
10:00 AM Dec. Members of Albanese & Dos Santos families
11:30 AM Frank, Carmela & Dina Legio +
5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

Monday, August 6

The Transfiguration of the Lord

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Ivan Orozco (Living)

Tuesday, August 7

Weekday

7:00 AM Cosimo Fiorentino +
9:00 AM Yanny & Francisco Orozco (Living)

Wednesday, August 8

Saint Dominic, Priest

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM The Valdovinos Family (Living)

Thursday, August 9

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Joan Oliver +

Friday, August 10

Saint Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Tom & Ita Keane +

Saturday, August 11

Saint Clare, Virgin

9:00 AM Benjamin & Corazon Soto +

Saturday, August 11 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Rose Marie Yannicelli +

Sunday, August 12, 2018
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Angela & Amedeo Lepore +
10:00 AM Mary & Joseph Prior +
11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish
5:00 PM Carmela, Nicola and Antonio Romagnoli +

August 5 2018



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.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

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.