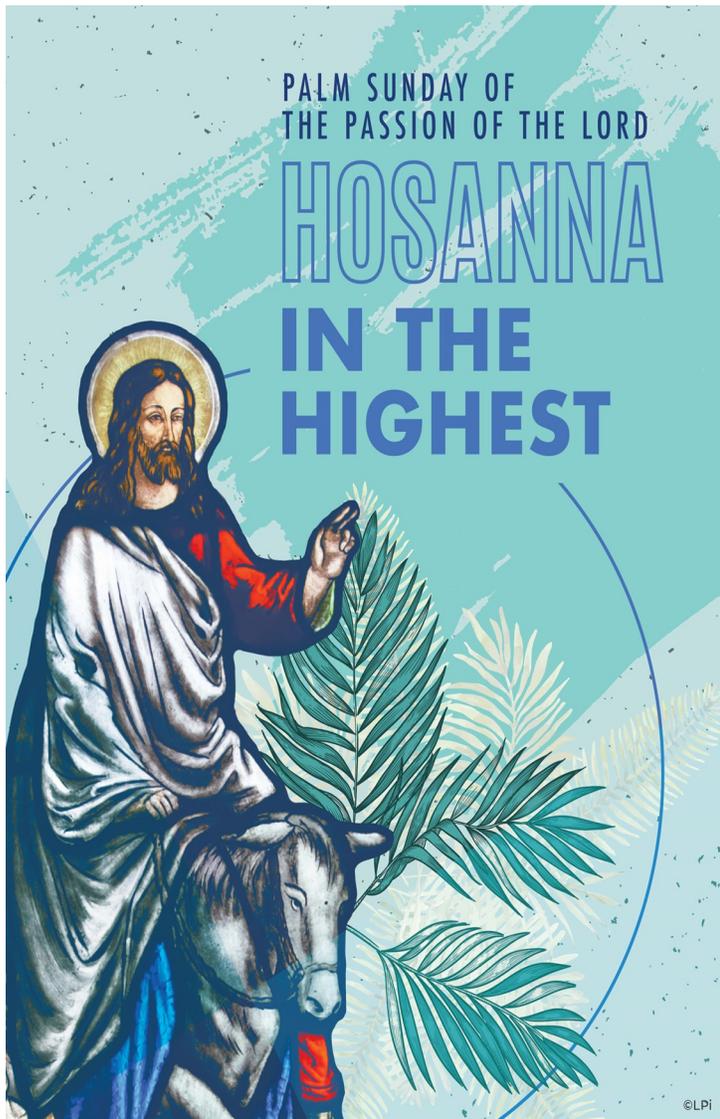


# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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 Ezech, 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

WHAT SACRIFICES CAN WE MAKE?

As Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole multitude of disciples proclaimed words of praise for the Lord. Their words, "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest" (Luke 19:38), echo the words of the multitude of the heavenly host on the night Jesus was born. It would appear, however that the Lord brought as much discord as peace. The religious and civil authorities saw Him as a threat to their well-being and were determined to rid themselves of Him and His following. Even His followers were divided, one betraying Him, one denying Him, and others abandoning Him out of fear. But the Prince of Peace continued to show us the way. Even when facing death, He reached out with love and mercy to both those who hated Him and those who let Him down. Only by doing so ourselves can we bring the peace and harmony to our lives and our world that Jesus promised.



Isaiah and Paul get at the paradoxical nature of God's power in the first two readings we hear today. Isaiah has been blessed to deliver God's word to rouse the weary, but all it appears to rouse them to do is to mistreat him. Yet Isaiah trusts he will not be put to shame. He is the stereotypical scapegoat, hanging his head in shame. The "suffering servant" witnesses to the power of God's word in the way he stands up to his abusers. Paul testifies that Jesus, through God, became a servant, humbling Himself for the sake of humankind. In submitting to God's will to His death, willing and resolute, He has now become the object of worship for all.



Scripture scholars tell us that two verses of today's Gospel were probably not part of the original text. The graphic description of Jesus' suffering in the Garden of Gethsemane may have been added later. Luke may not have been the one to write that "an angel from heaven appeared to Him," when "he prayed so fervently that His sweat became like drops of blood falling on the ground" (Luke 22:43-44), but the words He did use are extreme as well. First, Jesus knelt when He prayed. Remarkably, this is the only time in the Gospels Jesus kneels to pray. Kneeling was not the normal posture in this era when praying. People knelt in supplication to a superior, as believers occasionally did when asking Jesus for help, not to pray to God. But here Jesus kneels to plead with His Father in an effort to avoid the cross. Agonizing over the suffering He faces, and agonizing over His acceptance of that suffering, His sweat could well have become like drops of blood.

Jesus had taught His disciples that when they pray to the Father they should pray that "Your will be done" (Matthew 6:10). Now that promise is put to the test, as Jesus faces His death on the cross. As he prays to His Father, twice in one sentence He references His Father's will, "Father, if You are willing, take this cup away from Me; still, not my will but Yours be done" (Luke 22:42). He would rather not have to die at this time in this way, but He asks His Father to be spared only if His Father is willing. He reaffirms that it is not His own will but His Father's that He will follow. It is not easy to surrender one's own will to someone else's at any time, let alone when facing death, but it is the sacrifice within the sacrifice that Jesus makes on this night. It is the kind of sacrifice that we too can be called to make when we are called to act for the benefit of someone else.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What sacrifice is God calling me to make?

Blessings

Father Raphael

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 BREAD AND WINE** are donated in loving memory of Carmine and Margaret Maccia by John and Karen McKenna.

**Meals for a Soup Kitchen:** The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans **will be collected FOR APRIL on this Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on this Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup>, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.**



**Our Social Ministry Group** will also 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. Donations of hams would also be greatly appreciated and can be brought to the food pantry before this Saturday, 5 pm Mass on April 9<sup>th</sup> or before this Sunday 9:30 and 11:30 Masses on April 10<sup>th</sup>. The baskets will be distributed the week of April 11<sup>th</sup>.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Stations of the Cross for Good Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> will be at 2 p.m.. Come and join us.

OUR 2022 LENTEN AND EASTER WISH LIST

In the spirit of Lent and 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):

**1 Paschal Candle \$300**

*Please contact the Parish Office for more information*

Almighty and eternal God,  
in your tender love towards humanity  
You sent your Son,

our Savior Jesus Christ  
to take on Himself our flesh  
and to suffer death on the cross.  
Grant that we may follow the example  
of His patience and humility,  
and also be made partakers of His



resurrection;  
through your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Amen.

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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\*\*\*\*

St. Bart's Seniors Group

Consider joining the Seniors Group **Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**Movie Thursdays - 10 am** in the school gym



Pray the Rosary, then view *The Shack*, with light refreshments. The movie is a story of a father's spiritual journey after a family tragedy leads to a crisis of faith and questioning God's existence and life's purpose.

**At this time, all new participants must be fully vaccinated against the COVID virus.**

### *Palms for Palm Sunday were donated by the following families:*

*Quincy and Theresa Venturino in loving memory of the deceased members of the Venturino and Martucci Families*

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

*Claire Campisi in loving memory of Vincent J. Campisi and Julieann Campisi Moroch*

*Mary Ann Cognatello in loving memory of the deceased members of the Cognatello and Gregorio Families*

*Janet Madonia in loving memory of Dennis Madonia*

*Elsie Matero in memory of the Tobias & Matero Families*



St Bart's will be conducting the 101<sup>st</sup> blood drive in the 41 years since starting in 1981 on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the McManus Parish Center from 12 noon to 6:00 p.m. St Bart's parishioners and friends have made 7583 donations to date.



It is preferable to make appointments by using: [https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/280910](https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/280910).

NY Blood Center will allow WALKINS only if the room capacity permits.

Or you can contact Tony Sciacca @ 914-423-3592 or [tonscia@aol.com](mailto:tonscia@aol.com) for an appointment.

Covid policy and precautions will meet FDA and CDC guidelines. Face covering will be mandatory.

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. Tell your family and friends too.

### † STEWARDSHIP †

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

### TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

#### SUNDAY COLLECTION

March 27<sup>th</sup>

Sunday collection: \$3,168.00

On Line giving: \$1,120.00

Total: \$4,288.00

### 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](http://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](mailto: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, 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, Baby Joseph Anthony Coddington, Tony Sciacca, and Megan Weingarten.

**Please contact the Parish Office and leave a message or e mail us at [stbartschurch@aol.com](mailto:stbartschurch@aol.com), if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.**

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April 10 2022

Mass  for the  
Intentions *Week*

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**Saturday, April 9 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Lucille & Carl Rossi +

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**Sunday, April 10, 2022**

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name  
And Rosary Altar Societies  
Jennifer Romanowski +

11:30 AM Larry Mesler +

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

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**Monday, April 11**

**Monday of Holy Week**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Josephine & Michael Califano +

**Tuesday, April 12**

**Tuesday of Holy Week**

7:00 AM Leticia Serrano +

9:00 AM John Esposito & Jerry Esposito +

**Wednesday, April 13**

**Wednesday of Holy Week**

7:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

9:00 AM Carmine Nicholas Maccia +

**Thursday, April 14**

**Thursday of Holy Week—Holy Thursday**

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper  
For All The People of Our Parish

Until 12 AM Adoration

**Friday, April 15**

**Friday of the Passion of the Lord—Good Friday**

2:00 PM Stations of the Cross

3:00 PM The Lord's Passion (Service)

**Saturday, April 16**

**Holy Saturday**

12 Noon Blessing of the Bread

7:30 PM Easter Vigil

For All the People of Our Parish

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**Sunday, April 17, 2022**

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

9:30 AM Roberto & Pasqua Capuano +  
Joseph Paul Prior +

11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Brusco &  
Nanoia Families

PLEASE NOTE THAT MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY APRIL  
18<sup>TH</sup> TO THE 22<sup>ND</sup> THERE IS ONLY ONE MASS AT 9 AM.  
THERE WILL BE NO ADORATION OR 7 AM MASSES FOR  
THAT WEEK.

April 10, 2022

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## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### EASTER TRIDIUM

#### HOLY THURSDAY, April 14<sup>th</sup>

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

- ◆ Adoration Until 12 a.m.



#### GOOD FRIDAY, April 15<sup>th</sup>

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

#### HOLY SATURDAY, April 16<sup>th</sup>

Blessing of the Bread at 12 Noon  
Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection  
at 7:30 p.m.



#### EASTER SUNDAY, April 17<sup>th</sup>

Masses will be at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. There is no 5:00 p.m. Mass

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### WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

#### PALM SUNDAY

