

Saint Bartholomew's Church

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22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.” - Mk 7:15

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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

**BE A DOER
PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION**



We learn more about another person by watching what they do than by listening to what they say. So James is clear in saying that it is not enough to listen to God's word, one must put it into action. "Be doers of the word and not hearers only," he admonishes them (James 1:22). Specifically, he encourages the early Christians to care for the most vulnerable among them. This is what he refers to as living out their faith, "pure and undefiled" (James 1:27). Putting faith into action is essential.

Jesus sees through the Pharisees and the scribes at once. Calling them out as hypocrites because they follow the letter of the law and not the spirit. In the previous chapter of Mark, Jesus had sent out the disciples two by two and they preached the word of God, drove out demons, and healed the sick. But they eat with unclean hands, and this is all the Pharisees chose to see. It is easy to judge based on the letter of the law; it takes time and wisdom to judge on the spirit of the law. When we are quick to judgment, we may be making the same error the Pharisees do.

Moses tells the people that other nations will envy them for observing the commandments because they will conclude that no other nation "has gods so close to it as the Lord, our God, is to us whenever we call" (Deuteronomy 4:7). How fortunate we are, then, that we have a god who is incarnate in the world. How fortunate we are to have a God whom we receive in the Eucharist. How fortunate we are to have a God who moves among us, lives within us, and is revealed to others when we do God's work in the world.

Question of the Week:

How can I avoid hypocrisy and embrace the spirit of God's commands? Am I merely fulfilling my Sunday obligation or am I a "doer of the word," putting God's word into action?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

be DOers
of the **WORD**
and not merely
HEARERS
who deceive themselves
James 1:22

PARISH NEWS

LABOR DAY



This Monday, September 3rd is Labor Day. The Parish Office will be closed. There will be only one Mass that day at 9 a.m.



The ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP AND ALTAR CANDLES are donated in loving memory of Angelina Brusco by Lou and Angela Brusco.



Calling all Seniors! Calling all Seniors!

Join fellow seniors for Mass and Gathering Thursday, September 6th

9 a.m. Mass with a Special Blessing followed by light refreshments and gathering at McManus Parish Center.



SHARING COMMUNITY MEAL: This Thursday, September 6th, we will be providing our Sharing Community Meal. Please bring your ziti or dessert to the rectory. Doors will open at 6:45 a.m. The Sharing Community truly appreciates our efforts.

Congratulations to Jeffrey Ejiogu who is our newest lector. We thank him for stepping forward to serve this community.



FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

Register now for September'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. **First classes begin on Tuesday, September 11, 2018.**

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.



MESSAGE FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR:



Please join us in singing God's praises by joining our various choirs. Practice will begin the week of September 10th (date and time to be confirmed in next week's bulletin). Come and join us!!!!

HOLY HOUR: This Friday, September 7th is First Friday. We will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. with our regular monthly Holy Hour at 1 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!!

Our YOUTH GROUP meets on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. Their next meeting is Sunday, September 16th. 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. Their next meeting is next Sunday, September 9th.

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.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Barbara Riccardi.

A special thanks to all who made our Block Party a huge success. A great time was had by all. Thanks to the committee who worked hard to make it all come together, to the volunteers who helped out, to the donors for their generous donations and to our parishioners and neighborhood friends who came and had a good time.



Please pray for all our young people returning to school. May God grant them success in their studies and a safe school year.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

Amount Needed Weekly	\$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday	\$4,459.30
Balance	- \$2,540.70
*(Envelopes \$4,094.30 Online \$365.00)	

Amount Needed for Month of August	\$28,000.00
Amount Collected Thus Far	\$20,314.25

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

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

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.

September 2, 2018

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Saturday, September 1 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Emily Lavelle +

Sunday, September 2, 2018

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Nicholas & Mary Maccia +

10:00 AM Frank, Carmela & Dina Legio +

11:30 AM Lena Castaldo +

5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

Monday, September 3

Saint Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

Labor Day

9:00 AM Henry, William & Lucille Kurtz +

Tuesday, September 4

Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph, Maria & Anna Nguyen +

9:00 AM Angelina Brusco +

Wednesday, September 5

Weekday

7:00 AM Mary Bryce +

9:00 AM Deceased Members of Del Bene & Salerno families

Thursday, September 6

Weekday

7:00 AM John Di Rodio +

9:00 AM Antonio Marchetti +

Friday, September 7– First Friday

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Adele De Munbrun +

Saturday, September 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Capuano Grandchildren (Living)

Saturday, September 8 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Jerry Pisacreta & Betty D'Angelo +

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society

10:00 AM For All The People Of Our Parish

11:30 AM Vincent J. Campisi +

5:00 PM Rosalie Chimenti +

September 2, 2018

LOCAL EVENTS

**MASS FOR HEALING
ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE CHURCH
602 MCLEAN AVENUE
YONKERS, NY 10705**

This Tuesday Night, September 4th at 7:30 p.m.

Celebrant: Rt. Rev. Msgr. Jose Puthenparambil, PHD
Chancellor, Mission Diocese of Vijayapuram, Kerala, India
For Further Information, please call 914 965-9333

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, NY. The group is holding its annual Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 40 Convent Avenue, Yonkers, NY on September 23, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. followed by Communion Breakfast immediately after the Mass at the Fairways at Dunwoodie Golf Course. Cost is \$23. All are welcome. Reservations are preferred. Please call 914 423-5331 for more information.

St. Augustine Church, Larchmont, New York, announces the next Bereavement Support Group, September 10 to November 5, 2018. This group meets every Monday from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Please contact: Marilyn at 914-834-1220 x 23 or e mail srmuriel@staugustineny.org

LIFESCREENING AGAIN AT ST. BART'S

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be here on Monday, December 3, 2018 at St Bartholomew's Church. Ultrasound screenings to identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include: **Carotid Artery** plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), **Peripheral Arterial Disease** (hardening of the arteries in the legs), **Heart Rhythm Screening** (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heartbeat) and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early.

**Register online TODAY at [www.lifelinescreening.com/
communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle) and receive your "Community Circle"
discount and your Preferred Appointment**

PRAYER FOR LABOR DAY

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ in His earthly life shared

our toil and hallowed our labor: Be present with Your people where they work; make those who carry on the industries and commerce of His land responsive to Your will; and give to us all a pride in what we do, and a just return for our labor. *Amen.*

(Book of Common Prayer)

