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. Mark Ameh, MSP, Pastor Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Office Manager Cheryl Duda, Religious Education Coordinator Dayle Vander Sande Music Director

Rectory/Parish Office: (914) 965-0566 Religious Education Office: (914) 476-6676

Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday (Vigil);

9:30, **11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass)** 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

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FOLLOW YOUR HEART

There would have been many reasonable excuses to hurry past a severely injured person on the crime-ridden road from Jerusalem to Jericho. The priest and Levite likely used their need to main-



tain ritual purity as an excuse. Touching a corpse would have left them unable to fulfill the duty they were undoubtedly rushing to do. Others may have reasoned that it was the responsibility of the Roman authorities. A Samaritan could have rationalized that a kinsman of the victim should be the one to help. Certainly, no one thought it wise to spend any more time than necessary on this dangerous road, especially since apparently there

were criminals in the area. But for this Samaritan, his heart won out over his head.

Imagine for a moment that the Samaritan was traveling the other

way and the priest or Levite passed him a few minutes after seeing the severely beaten man. Remember, Samaritans were despised in that era, viewed as enemies. Might they have also hurried past him on the far side of the road, fearing that he may at-



tack them? May they have regarded both the half-dead man and the Samaritan as undesirable, neither one a neighbor to be loved?

The Hebrew work rakhum, which means compassion is derived from rechem, meaning womb. The deep, emotional, caring response to someone who is suffering is identified with the connection between mother and baby, established from the very beginning when the baby in the womb and is completely dependent on the mother. The compassion that the Samaritan is driven to give to the robber's victim is akin to the powerful heartfelt bond a mother has for her child.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: To whom can I become a neighbor? How will I follow my compassionate heart even if my head comes up with a dozen different excuses?

Save the Dates:

Healing Mass—Wednesday, July 21st at 7pm. Please join us in prayer.

Our next Bingo is Sunday, July 27th. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and games begin at 6:30 p.m. Join us for a night of fun.

We need your help:

We will be forming a committee to plan for Our International Night Festival at St. Bart's. Please see Fr. Mark or Cheryl Duda or call the Parish Office if you are interested.





PLEASE NOTE: We apologize for the lack of air conditioning in the church. We are working with the vendor to get this fixed as soon as possible. We are awaiting a part. There has been a longer lead time since the units are old and the part is not readily available. So thank you for "bearing with us."



THE NORMAL 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.



Registration is open for next year's Religious Education classes. Children who will be entering first grade this September or are currently in grade school through high school are eligible to enroll.



Also we offer programs for any adults who have not made communion and confirmation

Please call Cheryl Duda in the Religious Education Office. Her number is on the front of the bulletin.

The 2025 and 2026 Mass book has Masses 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 birthdays, 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.



90 trays of food was delivered to St. Joseph's and 25 bags of clothing was delivered to St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you for your generosity.

Try to Procrastinate Less and Do More

So many times in our lives, we have failed to start something because we had not yet adequately prepared. We would have started working out or going for a jog, but we needed to get the right shoes. We would have started eating right if only we could find the time and money to buy the right foods. We would have started that journaling project, but we couldn't without a really nice leather-bound journal. We would have, we would have, and we would have!!!!!

We know many people can relate. We offer up excuses for so many things. Sometimes we even get to the point where we do start something, but by then, we have already lost so much time.

Some of us are thinking about taking a stewardship way of life seriously, but we are just not ready yet. We would be more generous if we can first get out of debt. We would give of our time, but we have to wait until the kids get older or until we fully research our options. The truth is, we don't have to be in any particular state of life or have any specific financial portfolio to start giving our very selves to God. God takes us as we are now. No resume needed. Why waste so much time thinking about getting started and becoming serious? Time is a gift given to all of us. As we think and prepare endlessly, we are practicing poor stewardship. The time to start is today. Who wants to answer God one day at the gates of Heaven saying, "I would have."?

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

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
7 AM AND 9 AM SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM
SUNDAY MASSES

9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM (SPANISH) & 5 PM

CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What Jesus Doesn't Say

"If Jesus wanted us to (fill in the blank), He would have said so."

We hear this argument applied to every controversial topic under the sun — and even some not-so-controversial topics, too. Whenever someone is trying to make a case for a decision they have already made, they call in Jesus' scriptural silence on the matter as their expert, unimpeachable witness.

And sure, there's much Jesus doesn't talk about in the Gospels. But by this logic, we would have to assume that Jesus doesn't care, for instance, if we drive well over the speed limit (He doesn't discuss cars and highways in the Bible) or what we do online (He never mentions the Internet or websites at all!), when we know that certainly is just not the case.

Like the scholar of the Jewish law who challenges Jesus to define who exactly his "neighbor" is, we can argue semantics all we want. But if we rest in prayer and look deep into our hearts, we know what path we need to take, and it's usually not the easy one.

I find that I do this plenty in ways that are far more subtle. I lament that the situation facing me is not sufficiently "black and white." I become frustrated by the shades of moral grey and toss up my hands, claiming I don't know what the right answer is, insisting that I can't be blamed for the ramifications of whatever decision I make.

What I need to be doing in these situations is asking God for His guidance, even if it makes me nervous. I need to be like the scholar. He was brave enough to ask, even though I think he knew he wouldn't particularly like the answer. Let's strive for that same courage.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI



YOU CAN NOW REGISTER TO BE A PARISIHIONER ON LINE AT WWW.SAINTBARTSPARISH.ORG, CLICK ON PARISH REGISTRATON. FORMS ARE IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH.

Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will meet on Thursday, July 17th, 12:30pm, at St. Ann's Church, Fr. Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers.. For more Information please call: 914 423.-5331. New members are always welcome

Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers Annual Communion Breakfast will be held on Sunday, Sept 21st. Mass at 10:00am, Immaculate Conception Church, 53 Winter Hill Rd, Tuckahoe, followed by brunch at San Martino's Ristorante, 12 Young Ave, Yonkers. Cash \$36 per person payable at the brunch. Members and guests welcome. Reservations are required. For more information and reservations, please call 914-423-5331.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

June 29, 2025

 Sunday collection:
 \$2,804.00

 On Line giving:
 \$1,235.00

 Total
 \$4,039.00

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 (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, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Richard (Dick) Novak, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, 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, Megan Weingarten, Richard Gritta, Luz Maria Izurieta, Joan Manno, Ana Herrera, Edna McShane, Patricia Nieman, Richard Romanowski, Salvador Aviles, Judy Hanrahan, Theresa Liuzzi, Barbara Olivieri, Samuel Olivieri, Michael & Joseph Diaz (twin babies), Rosaria Mercandetti, Tom Swetz, Joanne Pragana, Martha Cesaitis, Ronald Pietropaolo. & Jan Stevenson.

Please call 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.

Prayer for Charity



Give me the grace, Lord, to truly see those around me: the overlooked, the uncomfortable, the odd and disliked.

Your kingdom is one of belonging, help us to be the types of neighbors who see and respond with Godly generosity.



Saturday Vigil, July 12

5:00 PM John Paul Capuano & Family (Living)

Sunday, July 13 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30AM Theresa Venturino + Constancio Calazan +

11:00 AM Stephen Hickey +

12:30 PM Juan Touriz, Minerva Rodgriguez,

Ercilia Moreno, Luis Artemo Luna, Ana Luisa Luna & Beatriz Luna +

5:00 PM For All the People Of Our Parish

Monday July 14

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

7:00 AM No Intention 9:00 AM Philip Morrissey +

Tuesday, July 15

Saint Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Quincy Venturino (Living)

Wednesday, July 16

Weekday

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

Thursday, July 17

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Mary & John Bryce +

Friday, July 18

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Manny & Lynne Columbres (Living)

Saturday, July 19

Weekday

9:00 AM No Intention

5:00 PM Tricia Marie Locatelli +

Rose Marie Monteferrante +

Sunday, July 20 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30AM Grace Hicks (Living) Theresa Chappory +

11:00 AM Steven Fitzpatrick & Jane Esposito + 12:30 PM For All the Peeople of Our Parish

5:00 PM Salvatore Coniglio +

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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registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor issue documents attesting to Catholic practice of the faith and Parish membership, e.g. a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. For further information call the Parish Office at (914) 965-0566.

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.

WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



