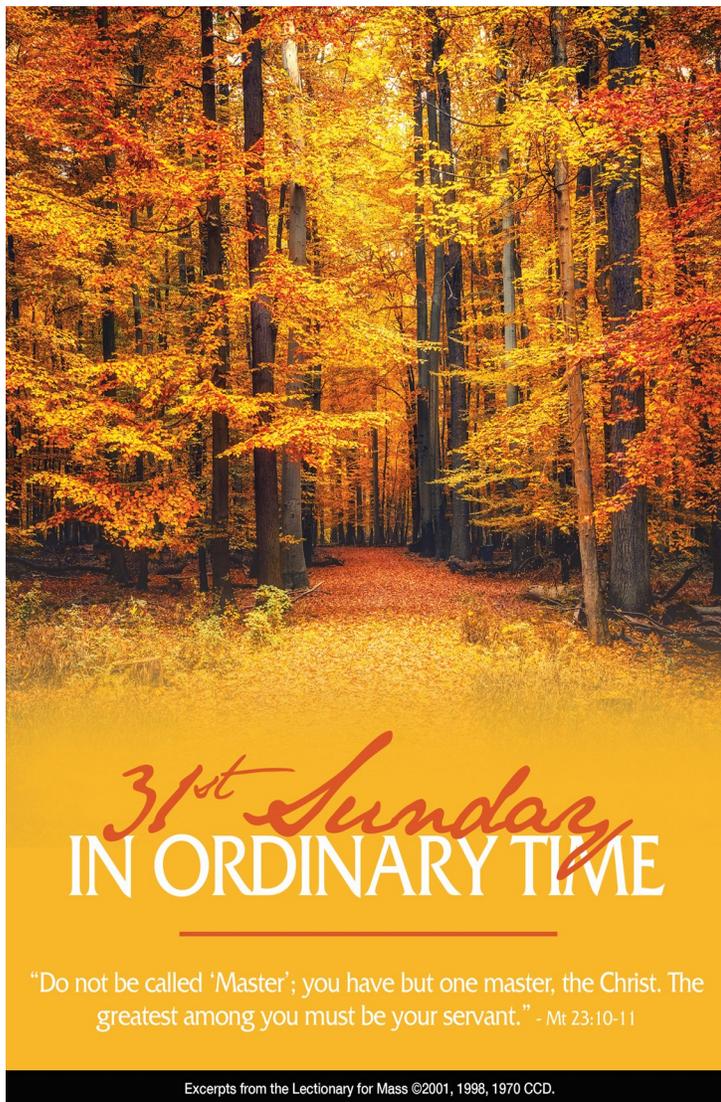


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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and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

REPENTANCE

We tend to think of punishment as retribution. Someone is getting their just deserts. Now they will think twice before they do the same thing again. If they fail, then they should just be punished harder next time.



But we hear in the first reading today that this is not how God punishes. God “rebuke(s) offenders little by little,...they they may abandon their wickedness” (Wisdom 12:2). Later in the chapter, the author says of God: “But condemning them bit by bit, You gave them space for repentance” (12:10). Space for repentance. No matter what we have done, God always gives us space for repentance. No matter what others have done to us, let us always give them space for repentance.

The beginning of this reading suggests the reason God always gives us space to turn back. “You love all things...for what you hated, you would not have fashioned” (11:24). If we exist, we are loved by God. God never desires that anyone be punished past the point from which they can no longer return.

Zacchaeus was not well-liked in Jericho. He was a tax collector, so he worked for the Roman occupiers. He was wealthy, so that implies that he was collecting more than what was due and keeping the extra for himself. He may have climbed to a sycamore tree as much to avoid the crowd as to see over it. But Jesus gives him “space for repentance” and Zacchaeus, full of remorse, takes that space. He returns to God with the same eagerness with which he scampered up the tree, promising to pay back every dishonest penny four times over. His repentance can be a model for us all.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Given space for repentance, for what failings do I need to seek forgiveness? To whom can I give space for repentance?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael, Ezech, MSP



PARISH NEWS



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Audrey Falcone.

COME AND JOIN THE ST BART'S THEATRE GROUP

JOIN THE CAST FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PLAY

Be a part of the presentation of The Nativity, our Christmas Play (presented on December 15th and December 17th). Let the actor in you come out!!!! Join your fellow parishioners!!!!

Rehearsals began, Monday, October 28th. It's not too late to join the group, we still need actors and actresses!!! Please contact the Parish Office. There are small parts and big parts, don't be shy!



**Calling all Seniors!
Calling all Seniors!**



Join fellow seniors for Mass and Gathering Thursday, November 7th

for the 9 a.m. Mass with a Special Blessing followed by light refreshments and gathering in the rectory basement meeting room.

Meals for a Soup Kitchen: Thursday, November 7th; we will be providing **Immaculate Conception**, a Soup Kitchen in the Bronx with a monthly contribution of baked ziti and desserts. Please bring your donation to the Rectory basement (food pantry door) after 8 a.m. on Thursday. If the doors are not open, leave your donations by the food pantry door. **If you'd like to contribute, please call the Parish Office at 914-965-0566.**



SOCIAL MINISTRY—Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive



The Social Ministry group is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive for the weekends beginning on November 9th and 10th through November 23rd and 24th. Please bring to church Thanksgiving appropriate, non-perishable fixings especially canned vegetables, canned sweet potatoes, canned fruit, boxed mashed potatoes, coffee, tea, and juices, etc. We will be in need of some frozen turkeys, fresh/frozen pies, or fruit, which can be brought anytime beginning on November 10th. In addition, in coordination with the social ministry group, the Religious Education students will be placing bags at the rear of the church. You can place your donated “Thanksgiving items” in these bags. Thank you for your generosity!!!

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION:

(popularly known as RCIA) is the process designed by the Church for adults to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion.

See more details on the back flap of the bulletin.

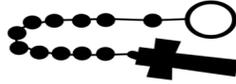
Parish Events



BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, November 29th, from 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. in McManus Parish Center

The Rosary Altar Society will meet next Sunday, November 10th after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All members are encouraged to attend. New members are welcome. Also note that the Rosary Altar Society will join the Holy Name Society at 8:30 a.m. Mass next Sunday, November 10th.



MARRIAGE BANNS First Time



Anthony Cognatello and Marissa Sannella.

Our YOUTH GROUP meets in the school building on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is this Sunday, November 3rd. Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @St_Barts-Youth.

Our EDGE GROUP (AGES 11-13) meets in the school building on the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is next Sunday, November 10th.

Our CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10) meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building. Their next meeting is Friday, November 22nd.

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Dear Father in heaven, we want to praise You together and to thank You with all our hearts for Your goodness and Your deliverance for our many needs. Accept our thanks, and help us go on our way with ever joyful hearts. Make us ready for whatever You have prepared for us, Your children. Bless us in our individual lives and bless us in our community. Let your Spirit shed its rays into all places to comfort people's hearts and to restore and strengthen their faith. May Your name be praised forevermore. Amen.

Daily Prayer and Scripture



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

October 27, 2019- Tithing

Table with 2 columns: Category (Envelopes, Online, Total) and Amount (\$4,461.10, \$ 650.00, \$ 5,111.10)

"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 fill out the cards at the rear of the Church.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary DeSantis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Larry Vandak, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Edison Blanco, Steven Sarich, Larry Mesler, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jerry Esposito, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Rosemarie Bartolomeo, Ann McShane, Frank Marra, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Brianna Whitehead and Gloria DeLuccy.

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

SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING - We Share 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!!!! See the sign up cards at the rear of the church or call the Parish Office for more details.

November 3, 2019

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Saturday, November 2 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Roberto & Pasqua Capuano and
deceased children +

Sunday, November 3, 2019

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Lorenzo & Giulia Marchionno+
10:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones
11:30 AM Dionisa Marranzino +
5:00 PM Ramberto Blanco +

Monday, November 4

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones
9:00 AM Antonio Marchetti +

Tuesday, November 5

Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones
9:00 AM Mary Maddocks +

Wednesday, November 6

Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones
9:00 AM Joseph T. Pasqualoni, III +

Thursday, November 7

Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones
9:00 AM Nicholas Chimenti (Living)

Friday, November 8

Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones
9:00 AM Donato Sacchetta +

Saturday, November 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9:00 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones

Saturday, November 9 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Mary & Joseph Cuzzo +

Sunday, November 10, 2019

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Deceased Members of Holy Name Society
and Rosary Altar Society
10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish
11:30 AM Novena For Our Deceased Loved Ones
5:00 PM Anna Premuto +

November 3, 2019

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

Do any of these describe you? Check all that apply and return.

_____ **I have never been Baptized and want to learn more about the Catholic faith.**

_____ **I was Baptized as a Christian, and I wish to become Catholic.**

_____ **I was Baptized Catholic but have not received any other Sacraments.**

_____ **I am Married to a Catholic and would like to receive the Sacraments.**

_____ **I am Baptized, made my First Communion, but was never Confirmed.**

_____ **I have a friend that would like to become Catholic.**

_____ **My _____ needs to make their First Communion and Confirmation.**

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Please return to: Cheryl Duda, St. Bartholomew's Religious Ed or drop in collection basket or call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676.

LOCAL EVENTS

For All Women of the Parish: The Sisters of Life invite you to a **Feminine Genius Brunch** on Saturday, November 16th at 10:00 am at the Hilton Westchester in Rye Brook, NY. This brunch borrows its name after those amazing God-given attributes endowed to you as women—receptivity, sensitivity, generosity, and maternity—all of which make up the **feminine genius!!** IN addition to a lovely brunch at a beautiful location, Sr. Virginia Joy, the director of the Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese will give a talk on the beauty of the feminine heart and these distinct attributes as women.

Come discover God's plan for your ultimate flourishing. Invite a friend, mother or daughter (in-law)!

RSVP by November 11th, at <https://adnyfemininegeniusbrunch@eventbrite.com>. Any questions, please contact sr.virginia.joy@archny.org.

OFFICE OF LITURGY, ARCHDIOCESE OF NY: ORGAN FEST:

St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, NY on Saturday, November 23rd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets: \$20-\$35.00.

Are you a church musician – or merely a fan of great organ music? Join us for a day dedicated to celebrating and enjoying the "king of instruments" – the pipe organ! You'll hear from Jared Lamenzo, director of music at the Basilica of Old St. Patrick's Cathedral; enjoy breakout sessions with some of New York's finest Catholic musicians; have the chance to participate in a roundtable discussion with representatives of three of the world's most renowned organ builders; and enjoy an "all-star" concert on the Seminary's 41-rank Casavant Frères pipe organ. Tickets can be purchased at nyliturgy.org/organfest.