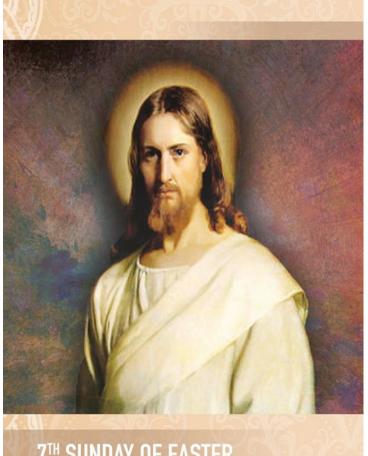
Saint Bartholomew's Church

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7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word." - Jn 17:20

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

St. Bartholomew's Church Yonkers

GIVE WITNESS TO YOUR FAITH EVERY DAY

On Ascension Thursday, we heard Jesus tell His disciples that they were to be His witnesses, from Jerusalem to the ends of the



earth. Immediately they realized that this would not be easy; the civil and religious authorities who put Jesus to death set their sights on His disciples. The infant church was persecuted and quite a few disciples were martyred. Today we hear of Stephen, regarded as the first Christian martyr. He bears witness to his faith and pays with his life. Ironically, in this reading, witness refers to those who see him being stoned. But in an even greater twist, the man the witnesses are honoring - the one who oversees Stephen's murder, Saul - is about to

be confronted by Jesus Himself on His way to Jerusalem to Damascus. He will spend the rest of his life bearing witness on behalf of the Lord.

The strength that Stephen displays in the face of death reflects the strength of our belief in the death and resurrection of Christ. Our faith that Jesus is the resurrection and the life ad that our lives do not end in death, but offer the promise of eternal life, gives us that strength as well. If we had nothing to live for but to remain as long as possible here on earth, we would do everything we could to avoid a fate like Stephen's. But Stephen valued his faith and his witness to it higher than this life itself. The first reading tells us he was rewarded before his death with a vision of heaven and God's glory. Saul and his band of persecutors saw Stephen's destiny as death, but Saint Stephen saw his destiny in heaven.

Jesus concludes his high priestly prayer to the Father by praying that His disciples and all those who will believe in Him in the future may have a share of the love He and the Father have for each other. In the Holy Trinity, we have an ideal model of that perfect love. That perfect love can be found in their unity. Jesus tells His disciples that He and the Father are one. Indeed, we accept that Father, Son, and Holy spirit are three persons in one God. In the Trinity, Christians can see a model of unity, a goal for Christian denominations. Let us strive to become one in Christ.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

In what visible or vocal ways do I give witness to my faith?



Father Mark will be away from June 9th to July 10th.

Father Nick will be covering Masses from June 10th through June 20th with assistance from other priests.

- For June 8th through June 13th, (Monday through Friday) there will be a 9 am Mass only. There will be no adoration and the church will be open at 8:45 am each of those days.
- There will be no confessions heard on Saturday, June 14th.
- For the week of June 16th through July 10th there will be 7 am and 9 am weekday Masses and there will be Adoration.
- Please note there will be no Holy Hour or Divine Mercy Hour on Friday, July 4th and Saturday, July 5th due to the Holiday weekend.

Fr. Joseph will be arriving on June 20^{th} and will be the priest covering for Fr. Mark through July 10^{th} .



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 (ICATION) have not made communion and confirmation

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

FATHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH

We will have a 9 day Novena of Masses for all our fathers, living and deceased. The Novena of Masses will begin on Sunday, June 15th and will end on Monday, June 23rd. There are cards and/or envelopes at the back of the church if you want your father, father-in-law or any other father remembered in the Novena of Masses. Please fill out the envelope and



drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office during the week, on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Any couple who is not married in the Church and who wishes to have their Marriage blessed in the Church, please call the Parish Office to make an appointment to discuss with Fr. Mark.

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.

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!!!! Go to: www.saintbartsparish.org and click on the We Share online giving link.. Thank you!!!

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 FROM4 TO 4:30 PM

Meals for a Soup Kitchen: The St. Joseph's monthly meal of either



ziti or rice and beans will be collected FOR JUNE on Saturday, June 7th one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on Sunday June 8th one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Trays

will be available for those who wish to donate food beginning **THIS** Saturday and Sunday, May 31st and June 1st.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

God's Game of Telephone

You've probably played the game of "pass it on" before, maybe years ago on the playground. It's a simple concept: one person whispers something in another person's ear, and it gets repeated person by person throughout the group, until finally the last one to hear the message has to say it out loud. Whatever ends up being said at the end of the game is usually a far cry from the original statement, and everyone has a good laugh.

As individuals, we don't receive news in the same way. Our personalities, our histories, our weaknesses, and our strengths determine how we interact with information we encounter in the world, both good and bad. One person will interpret a compliment positively; someone else will take offense. One person reacts to news of a job promotion with joy, another is disappointed that now they will have less time with their family. The same news can mean completely different things to different people.

But what God gives us is the truth in love, and the truth in love is the same in every place and in every time, for every person of every race. When Christ prayed to the Father that "the love with which you loved me may be in them," he was asking that the magnificent gift that had been imparted to him would also be imparted to us.

Our job is to play a game of pass it on with this gift of love. How do we keep it from becoming warped? Through remaining committed to the word of God, to the sacraments, and to one another.

In this game, we don't change the message. The message changes us. And we have to give it away to keep it.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI

Prayer of Christian Unity



Help us to be one, Lord Jesus, as you prayed to the Father.

Gather us all to you, diverse in culture, gift, call, way of life, and perspective.

May the love we have for you overflow into the love we have for each other. Amen.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

May 18, 2025

 Sunday collection:
 \$3,731.00

 On Line giving:
 \$1,330.00

 Total
 \$5,061.00

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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, Tony Sciacca, 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, and Ronald Pietropaolo..

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.





Saturday Vigil, May 31

Sunday, June 1 Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:30AM For All The People of Our Parish 11:00 AM Jane Esposito + 12:30 PM All The Souls in Purgatory 5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Monday June 2 Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Michele Ricardo + 9:00 AM Maria Loreta Lucchetti +

Tuesday, June 3

Saint Charkes Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

7:00 AM No Intention 9:00 AM Emilio Onofrio +

Wednesday, June 4 Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Fr. Thomas McDonald + 9:00 AM Rosemarie Monteferrante +

Thursday, June 5

Saint Boniface, Bishop & Martyr

7:00 AM Fr, Anthony Ita Bassey, MSP + 9:00 AM Benjamin & Corazon Sotto +

Friday, June 6 Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Helen & Pete Pietrowski +

Saturday, June 7 Easter Weekday

11:00 AM

9:00 AM No Intention

Saturday Vigil, June 7

5:00 PM Eugene & Francis Giandomenico &

Victoria Renzullo +

Sunday, June 8

Pentecost Sunday

9:30AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name & Rosary Altar Societies

Jane Esposito +

12:30 PM All The Souls in Purgatory

5:00 PM Josephine Daniele +

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

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



