

## JAMES APOSTLE JULY 25

This James is the brother of John the Evangelist. The two were called by Jesus as they worked with their father in a fishing boat on the Sea of Galilee. Jesus had already called another pair of brothers from a similar occupation: Peter and Andrew. "He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then He called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed Him" (Mark 1:19-20).

James was one of the favored three who had the privilege of witnessing the Transfiguration, the raising to life of the daughter of Jarius, and the agony in Gethsemane.

Two incidents in the Gospels describe the temperament of this man and his brother. Saint Matthew tells that their mother came (Mark says it was the brothers themselves) to ask that they have the seats of honor (one on the right, one on the left of Jesus) in the kingdom. "Jesus said in reply, 'You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I am going to drink?' They said to Him, 'We can!'" (Matthew 20:22). Jesus then told them they would indeed drink the cup and share His baptism of pain and death, but that sitting at His right hand or left hand was not His to give - it "is for those for Whom it has been prepared by My Father" (Matthew 20:23b). It remained to be seen how long it would take to realize the implications of their confident "We can!"

The other disciples became indignant at the ambition of James and John. Then Jesus taught them all the lesson of humble service: The purpose of authority is to serve. They are not to impose their will upon others, or lord it over them. This is the position of Jesus Himself. He was the servant of all; the service imposed on Him was the supreme sacrifice of His own life.

On another occasion, James and John gave evidence that the nickname Jesus gave them - "sons of thunder" - was an apt one. The Samaritans would not welcome Jesus because He was on His way to hated Jerusalem. "When the disciples James and John saw this they asked, 'Lord, do You want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?' Jesus turned and rebuked them ..." (Luke 9:54-55).

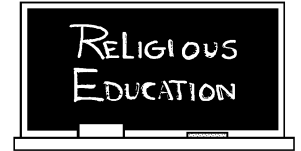
James was apparently the first of the apostles to be martyred. "About that time King Herod laid hands upon some members of the church to harm them. He had James, the brother of John, killed by the sword, and when he saw that this was pleasing to the Jews he proceeded to arrest Peter also" (Acts 12:1-3a).

This James, sometimes called James the Greater, is not to be confused with the author of the Letter of James and the leader of the Jerusalem community.

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## PARISH NEWS

Registration for Religious Education classes for public school children, running September through June, is open. Children entering the program must be 6 years of age by December. Classes are available for children in 1<sup>st</sup> grade through High School senior year, including those with Special Education needs. Classes are available to prepare children of all ages for the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation, regardless of any lack of previous instruction. **All Catholic children attending public schools should enroll in a religious education program.** Please call (476-6676) for more information.



**ALTAR FLOWERS** for this week have been donated in loving memory of Gabriel Nanoia by Louis & Angela Brusco.

The **ALTAR BREAD & WINE, ALTAR CANDLES** and **SANCTUARY LAMP** for the week have been donated in loving memory of Gabriel Nanoia by Louis & Angela Brusco.



**MONDAY, JULY 29<sup>TH</sup>, 7 PM**  
**McManus Parish Center**

A showing of the movie, *Courageous*

*Four men, one calling: To serve and protect. As law enforcement officers, they are confident and focused. Yet at the end of the day, they face a challenge that none of them are truly prepared to tackle: fatherhood. While they consistently give their best on the job, good enough seems to be all they can muster as dads. But they're quickly discovering that their standard is missing the mark.*

*When tragedy hits home, these men are left wrestling with their hopes, their fears, their faith, and their fathering. Can a newfound urgency help these dads draw closer to God and to their children?*

**Please call the Parish Office (965-0566) or Cheryl Duda (476-6676) to facilitate planning, if you can join us.**

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:** Held after the 9 a.m. Mass on Mondays.

**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.

**RECITATION OF THE ROSARY:** Join your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary after the 9 a.m. Mass on weekdays and Saturdays.

## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Bartholomew's Parish and Hudson Valley Blood Services express sincere appreciation to the 54 donors and 14 dedicated volunteers, including 9 school children, who participated in the Blood Drive on July 5<sup>th</sup>, donating 61 units of blood (47 regular and 7 ALYX - double red cell). St. Bart's has now collected 5632 units in 75 drives since our first drive in 1981. There were 14 new donors and 11 walk-ins.



Any donors who could not come to the drive can make an appointment to donate at their convenience by calling HVBS at 1-800-933-BLOOD. Ask to credit your donation to St. Bart's Group #7747. Our next Blood Drive will be held the day after Thanksgiving, please plan on joining us in this much needed community service.

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION TRIP

*Go back in time and witness the greatest birth in history. Be surrounded by the bustling village of Bethlehem as camels, horses, donkeys, and villagers pass by. Be transported to the hillside where legions of angels descend upon the shepherds to proclaim, "The Savior is born!" Dine at the famous Miller's Smorgasbord prior to the show.*

An all day excursion to the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA to see the *Miracle of Christmas* on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, is planned. The bus leaves at 9 a.m. and returns at 10 p.m. The cost is \$139 per person. **Seating is limited; reservations are required now.** For information and reservations, call Cheryl Duda (476-6676).



*At all the Masses for next Sunday we will be visited by a representative of the Bujuni Catholic Parish of Uganda, Monsignor Kabyanga John Mary. We are invited to join in the worldwide mission of Jesus by supporting the Propagation of the Faith, through prayer and financial aid. There will be a second collection to help support this worthy cause.*

Monsignor John Mary, was ordained on December 7, 1969; and works in the Hoima Diocese in Uganda. It has a population of 1.9 million people, the majority of whom are Catholics of very low income. Hoima Diocese has about 130 priests, and over 300 religious. It has 38 parishes and 800 mission/outstations, and over 1200 catechists.

The diocese faces many challenges, including high levels of illiteracy, scarcity of safe, clean water, diseases are rampant, infant mortality and pregnancy related complications are high due to a lack of health centers, the scourge of military wars and HIV/AIDS have left behind many widows, widowers and orphans. Hoima Diocese is actively addressing these health, education, and other social issues but they need our financial assistance.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY:** Please don't forget our Food Pantry this summer. We have an ongoing need, for non-perishable staples, especially rice, boxed mashed potatoes, pasta sauces, boxed macaroni & cheese, ketchup, mustard, juices, canned fish/meat, and canned fruits. Please keep this in mind when you see sales on your trips to the supermarket. Thank you for your continuing support!

✠ **STEWARDSHIP** ✉  
What shall I render unto the Lord  
for all his benefits to me?

### TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

#### July 15, 2012

Adults' Contribution	\$6860.75
Children's Contribution	\$50.45
<b>Last Year's Total</b>	<b>\$6911.20</b>

#### July 14, 2013

Adults' Contribution	\$4791.70
Children's Contribution	\$57.90
<b>This Year's Total</b>	<b>\$4849.60</b>

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection to support Catholic Missions among Black & Indian People totaled \$1153.65.

### REMEMBER YOUR BELOVED PARISH

Remember, *"We make a living by what we earn. We make a life by what we share."* Please remember our Parish in your Will as a lasting and loving gift to your parish family. Thank you!



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ethel Thomas, Aldina Pereira, Rebecca Conroy, Andy DeFabritis, Maria Marte, Barbara Rup, Jule Yaskovic, Rosalie Heit, Florence B. Swetz, Clare Yaskovic, Neil Caruso, Deacon James Byrnes, Andrea Objay, Carmen Torres, Frank Marra, Deacon Patrick Troy, Josephine Apuzzo, Edith Dugan, Gary Roth, Joyann Allan, Lois Burton, Mary DeStefano, Mark Cianfaglione, Shawn Colon, Margaret Maccia, Nicole Ryan Betancourt, Anthony Spinner, Audrey & Alfred Falcone, Kathleen Hayes, Marge Muraik, Donna Vasconez, Nicole Pisani-Frame, Louis Petrulo, Cynthia Swiatkowitz, Jimmy Maimone, Robert Mirsky, Roseanne Mercandetti, Louis Brusco, Josephine Daniele, Jennifer Dorsey, Valerie Riccardi, Fatima Panik, Marian Fletcher, Anna Bonacci, Minerva Hernandez, Paula Parente, Barbara Olivieri, Bridget O'Malley, Anna Brucculeri, Peggy Clevenberg, Gerald Mazzerese, Jr., Patricia Keane, Louis Milone, Joey Bastardi, Carol Stola, Amada Ortiz, Karen Aprea, Stephen Sarich, Neil Cawley, and Barbara McCormack.

### 2014 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

The Mass Book for 2014 opened on Ash Wednesday and there are still many dates open in this year's Mass Book, as well. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in your life the graces associated with having a Mass offered on their behalf. You may have a thanksgiving Mass offered for your loved ones or for yourself on such occasions as birthdays, wedding anniversaries, etc. Also, you may consider offering the altar flowers, altar bread and wine, altar candles, or sanctuary lamp for your intention. Come to the Rectory Office, **Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.** to make arrangements or to inquire about the availability of a particular date.

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Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week

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**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, July 20 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Mary Brewus +

**Sunday, July 21**

8:30 AM Margaret Manning +

10:00 AM Charles & Stefana Barba +

11:30 AM Frank & Carmela Legio +

5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

**Monday, July 22**

**Saint Mary Magdalene**

7:00 AM Arceli Samarita (living)

9:00 AM Mae, Gerard, & Vincent Hickey +

**Tuesday, July 23**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Rita Bolduc +

9:00 AM Angelina Pompillio +

**Wednesday, July 24**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Antonio Marchetti +

9:00 AM Bob Shannon (living)

**Thursday, July 25**

**Saint James, Apostle**

7:00 AM Maria & Gerardo Marchetti +

9:00 AM Gabriel Nanoia +

**Friday, July 26**

**Saints Joachim & Anne, Parents of Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:00 AM Semideo & Anna Nelli +

9:00 AM George Haag +

**Saturday, July 27**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Vivian Maffia +

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**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, July 27 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Deceased Members of Orsini & Ragusa Families

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**Sunday, July 28**

8:30 AM Robert Liddell +

10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish

11:30 AM Rose & Gaetano Legio & Family+

5:00 PM Carlos Sepulveda +

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**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!**

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.



Every family and single adult to be considered an active parishioner of St. Bartholomew's Parish must be properly registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor provide 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 on 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 complete 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 Rectory. Thank you!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

- I am a visitor.
- I am interested in parish membership.
- 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*.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

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**PRAYER FOR TRAVELERS**

God of the covenant,  
You called Abram to leave Ur of the Chaldees  
And guided him to the Promised Land.  
God of the Exodus,  
You led Your people out of slavery in Egypt  
And brought them to a land flowing with milk and honey.  
God of the Exile,  
You restored Your people after their captivity in Babylon  
And settled them in the holy city, Jerusalem.  
Watch over and protect all who travel.  
Guide their steps with Your outstretched arms,  
And at the end of their journey  
Lead them safely home to their loved ones and friends.  
Amen.

