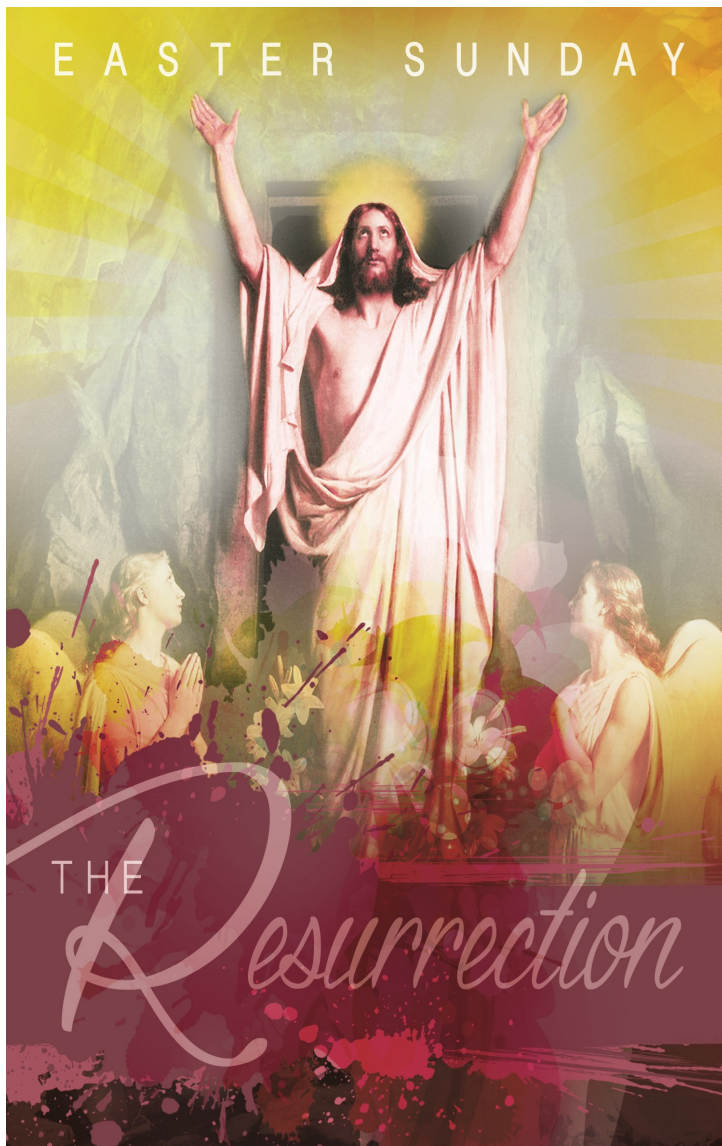


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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and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

REJOICE, HE IS RISEN

“This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad” (Psalms 118:24). Unfortunately, this joyful feeling can be difficult to sustain especially in these trying times. Will we still rejoice tomorrow if it means returning to a dispiriting job or a vindictive boss? Will we still be glad if we end up in the middle of a family conflict? Will we still be grateful if we have no family or career and spend the day alone without companionship? Paul’s word to the Colossians may help: God came to earth to teach us, to heal us, and finally to save us. Through our baptism we share in His mission and His promise. No matter our situation in life, no matter what we are all going through at the present time. We have been redeemed.



There is an awful lot of running in today’s Gospel. Mary Magdalene sees the stone rolled away and runs in alarm to Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. They both immediately run to the tomb to see what happened. We are told the beloved disciple ran faster and arrived first. Finally the action slows down once Simon Peter arrives. But they are undoubtedly out of breath and their minds are still racing. At this point, none of them understood what happened. Still the beloved disciple believed. He did not understand the Resurrection, but possibly he believed that somehow Jesus returned to the Father. His understanding was still running to catch up, but his belief had already arrived.

Belief comes to the beloved disciple, not with the presence of Jesus, an angel, or any witnesses, but in their absence. They see the displaced stone, the open tomb, and the discarded burial cloths. That Jesus has risen is beyond their understanding, but the beloved disciple believes. We identify with him, for we have also come to believe without seeing. We may not understand, but through the eyes of faith, we believe.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How can I come to a deeper and firmer belief, especially now? How can I guide others in their faith?

Blessings

Father Raphael

From Father Raphael, Deacon Bob and Parish Staff, may you and your loved ones have a safe and blessed Easter and may you truly welcome the Risen Lord into your hearts and home.



PARISH NEWS



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, are donated in loving memory of Carmine Nicholas Maccia by John & Karen McKenna.



THE ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in loving memory of Vito J. DeSantis & James P. Lynch by Luanne DeSantis.

**Religious Ed Students & Parents -
An update from Cheryl Duda**

1. Please complete the **Fourth Lesson (except for Confirmation students***)** in your take home lesson packet this week.



Religious Education

Children should complete the chapter review on loose-leaf paper and give to you to hold so it is not lost. These will be collected when we return to classes so the child may receive credit for completing the work.

*****Confirmation students please register and sign onto [Formed.org](http://formed.org) then scroll down to "School at Home". Scroll over to and click on "Y Disciple-Confirmation". Watch "The Power of the Spirit." Also download the participant sheets and follow the directions for Session #1. Parents download the Parent Sheets and follow the sheet for Session #1 with your child.**

2. If you have not yet registered for Formed please go to the webpage now (formed.org) and do so. We will be using resources from this site in future weeks.

3. Anyone needing to reach me please email me at <mailto:stbartsreled@aol.com>

[Formed.org](http://formed.org)

Our parish has a free subscription to www.formed.org which gives you 24/7 access to over 300 quality Catholic on line programs, 99+ movies, 101+ audios, & 98+ E-Books. To register for this free resource follow these easy steps.

Go to formed.org.

Click on "sign up".

Click on "I belong to a parish or organization".

Start typing name- St. Bartholomew Yonkers (You will see a number of parishes with this name).

Scroll to St. Bartholomew Yonkers NY.

Hit next, -create account with your name and email.

After creating your account the next time you want to go on simply type in your web browser formed.org and it will bring you to the website. In the upper right corner you will then see sign in. Click that and you are set to enjoy all the wonderful resources. I would highly suggest during this time you sample some of the movies that they offer. Enjoy!

For those collecting Mission Boxes, please hold them in a safe place. When things return to normal, they will then be collected at Mass.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

MASSSES, EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, CONFESSIONS AND ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES INCLUDING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER EVERY WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND FROM 7 A.M. TO 7 P.M.

ST. BART'S MASSES AND EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ARE LIVE STREAMED

Sunday Mass at 10 a.m.
Weekday Masses at 10 a.m.
Eucharistic Adoration, Wednesday's at 6 p.m.

IT'S EASY, just go to www.saintbartsparish.org,

GO TO THE UPPER RIGHT SIDE

CLICK ON THE FACEBOOK ICON, This will bring you directly to the page and wait for the Mass to begin. If the video does not come up at 10, REFRESH.

(You can also find the Live stream of Mass on the left side under the church picture. Click on Watch Mass—10 a.m.)

ANY CHANGES TO THE ABOVE WILL BE UPDATED VIA ROBO CALL OR ON SAINTBARTHOLOMEWPARISH FACEBOOK PAGE.

For anyone who is not on Facebook and needs help setting up an account, please contact the Parish Office or Cheryl Duda.



We have started two prayer lists for the Corona Virus. The first list will be for people who currently have the virus and need prayers. The second list will be for those working in the hospitals directly with the Corona Virus patients.

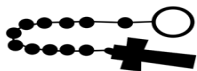
Please send your names to stbartsreled@aol.com and state whether the person is sick with the virus or is a medical person working in the hospital with corona virus patients. Send all information to: stbartsreled@aol.com



Pray the Rosary with St. Bart's Seniors Group

Monday-Friday at 9:15 a.m.
Free dial-in phone number
1-805-309-011

Access code: 883623#
All Are Welcome!



The need for blood STILL EXISTS! It doesn't go away. NYBC is encouraging all donors to call and make appointments at a convenient time at one of the local collection centers. You can check out the following for additional information:

https://www.nybloodcenter.org/news/articles/new-york-blood-center-expands-capacity-donors-centers-urges-healthy-donors-schedule-appointments-maintain-blood-supply-critical-time/

https://nybc.org/donate-blood/covid-19-and-blood-donation-copy/

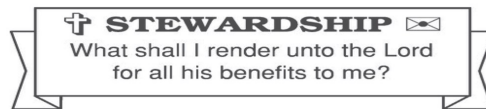
If you have been on the St Bart's list for quite some time and have donated at St Bart's infrequently or have never donated with us, PLEASE sign up with NYBC to help alleviate the critical shortage.

If you wish, you can credit St Bart's by using code 07747.

We thank you so much for your cooperation and understanding.

Anthony Sciacca

Chairperson, St Bart's Blood Drive



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing. Program. We need your financial support especially at this difficult time.

PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME, YOU CAN TITHE IN 3 WAYS:

- Mail in your envelope.
Register for on line giving. IT'S EASY! (see below note).
Drop off your envelope in the large container covered with a red cloth behind the organ. It is marked with a sign.

May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought and sign up for on line giving. Thank you!

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 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, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary DeSantis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutowski, 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, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy, Sister Joan Mary Gleason, Dan Panik, and Mary Drohan Barrett. Please contact 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.



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Thomas Swetz, Frank Marra and Elsie.Kocur.

April 12, 2020

Mass Intentions for the Week

EVEN THOUGH MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED, PLEASE PRAY FOR THE LOVED ONES BELOW AND FOR OUR PARISH, especially during our LIVE STREAM MASSES EACH DAY AT 10 AM.

Holy Saturday, April 11
EASTER VIGIL IS LIVE STREAMED AT 7 PM

For All the People of Our Parish

Sunday, April 12, 2020
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

EASTER SUNDAY MASS IS LIVE STREAMED AT 10 AM

- 8:30 AM Dec. Members of Holy Name Society & Rosary Altar Society
10:00 AM Joseph Paul Prior +
11:30 AM Deceased Members of Brusco & Nanoia Families

Monday, April 13
Monday within the Octave of Easter

- 7:00 AM Theresa Venturino +
9:00 AM John Esposito +

Tuesday, April 14
Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 AM Carmine Nicholas Maccia +

Wednesday, April 15
Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

Thursday, April 16
Thursday within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 AM Michael Califano +.

Friday, April 17
Friday within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 AM Elizabeth Liga +

Saturday, April 18
Saturday within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 AM Dec. Members of Brusco & Nanoia Families

Saturday, April 18 (Anticipated Mass)

- 5:00 PM Luigi & Marie Martucci

Sunday, April 19, 2020
Second Sunday of Lent

- 8:30 AM Michael & Loretta Kennedy +
10:00 AM Dec. Members of Capuano & Lucchetti Families
11:30 AM Patrick V. Fox +
5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

April 12, 2020

Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Our Lady know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us,

through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

