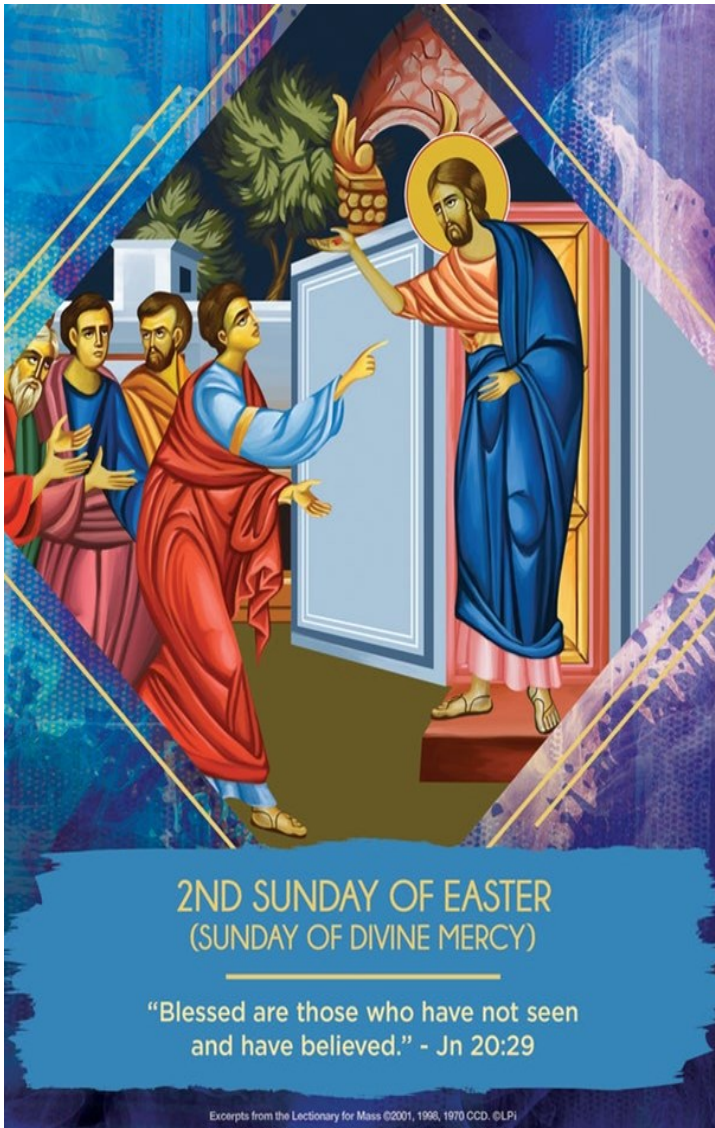


# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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

## HEAL THE WOUNDS OF CHRIST

What if all the apostles had been in the locked room and seen the risen Lord on that first evening? Without one who had missed the opportunity and who doubted what he didn't experience himself, we would not have had the practical effect of hearing Jesus "prove" His bodily existence after His death. We also would not have been directly blessed by the Lord as ones who have believed without having seen. Unlike Thomas, we do not have the opportunity to see Jesus in the flesh at all. However, we do have opportunities to see His presence again and again: in each other, in the Eucharist, in those in need, or when we receive the gift of diving mercy.

John's Gospel does not tell us why Thomas wasn't there the first time. Perhaps He was grieving in his own way and wished to mourn Jesus alone. Everyone responds to grief differently. He may have imagined that seeing the others would make the loss more real. Or perhaps he was more fearful of the religious authorities than the others and felt that even a locked room wasn't safe. Perhaps he was so discouraged that he wanted to abandon his faith just as he had abandoned Jesus on that fateful day. What we do know is that he came the following week and without even making good on his challenge to feel Jesus' wounds, he believed.

It is significant that Jesus returned with His wounds intact. Not only hadn't they healed, they were just as visible and palpable as on the day He was taken from the cross. Even after He had been raised from the dead, brought to heaven, and returned to appear to the disciples in His resurrected body, He retained the wounds inflicted upon Him on the day He was crucified. The Body of Christ, which we receive in the Eucharist, which is made manifest in the Church, is also physically wounded, remains physically wounded. These very real wounds continue to be present today in our sinfulness, in our suffering, and in those in need. How necessary is the gift of diving mercy we receive from one who remains wounded Himself!

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Where and when do I recognize Christ's wounds in the body of Christ? What can I do to heal those wounds?

## Prayer for Pope Francis



Father in heaven, we praise Your name  
for all who have finished this life  
loving and trusting You,  
for the example of their lives,  
the life and grace You gave them  
and the peace in which they rest.  
We praise You today for your  
servant Francis

and for all that You did through him.

Meet us in our sadness

and fill our hearts with praise and thanksgiving,  
for the sake of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

Into Your hands, O merciful Savior,  
we commend your servant Francis.

Acknowledge, we pray, a sheep of your own fold,  
a lamb of Your own flock,  
a sinner of Your own redeeming.

Enfold him in the arms of Your mercy,  
in the blessed rest of everlasting peace

and in the glorious company of the saints in light.

Amen.

# PARISH NEWS

## 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.



## IMPORTANT NOTE

Please remember to return your Lenten Almsgiving Boxes if you have not already done so. This year, your donations will support a Missionary of St. Paul priest in their seminary.

Please return them after Easter.

## Registration is open for next year's Religious Education classes.



Religious  
Education

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.

*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 DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET** is a relatively recent but very popular devotion revealed by Our Lord to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun. On Good Friday, 1937 Christ appeared to St. Faustina and asked her to recite this chaplet for nine days, starting on Good Friday and ending on the Octave of Easter (the Sunday after Easter Sunday) and is now known as Divine Mercy Sunday. This chaplet is often recited during those nine days, but it can be prayed at any time of the year, and St. Faustina recited it almost unceasingly. A standard rosary can be used to recite the chaplet.

- ◆ Make the Sign of the Cross
- ◆ Pray the Opening Prayers: "You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us." "O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You." (3 times).
- ◆ Pray the Our Father
- ◆ Pray the Hail Mary
- ◆ Say the Apostles Creed
- ◆ Pray the Prayer "Eternal Father" on the Our Father bead: "Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. Amen."
- ◆ Pray the Prayer "For the Sake of His Sorrowful Passion" Ten Times on the Hail Mary Beads: "For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."
- ◆ Repeat Steps 6 and 7: On each of the next four decades of the Chaplet, repeat Steps 6 and 7 (pray the Eternal Father, followed by ten "For the Sakes of His Sorrowful Passion.")
- ◆ Pray the Concluding Doxology Three Times after all five decades: "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world." (three times)
- ◆ Pray the Closing Prayer: "Eternal God, in Whom mercy is endless, and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us, and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen."
- ◆ End with the Sign of the Cross

**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

**Meals for a Soup Kitchen:** St. Joseph's monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans **will be collected FOR May on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 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, April 26<sup>th</sup> and April 27<sup>th</sup>.



**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**The World Is Watching**

If you're a parent, you know this to be true: the world is watching. All it takes is one slip-up — one bad word, one selfish action, one uncharitable commentary, and that's the thing your child seems to notice.

When he or she calls you on it, the only thing you can do is come clean. "Yep, I did that," you have to say. "I'm a work in progress, but luckily, God never stops working."

I think it's fair to say that we don't think enough about the wounds of Christ. It's a little understandable, of course. Our human bodies flinch at the sight of such pain and mortification. It's a lot to handle, the physical trauma of a crucifixion. It carries an R rating in a PG world.

But the wounds of Christ are the only thing that could make Thomas believe. Literally nothing else was so powerful, not even the testimony of his most trusted friends. Only by looking at and feeling the torn flesh — by beholding that messy reality — did this Apostle, this actual companion of Christ, come to believe in the Resurrection.

"Christ has no body now but yours," goes the famous quote attributed to St. Teresa of Avila. What she's saying is that we have become the means through which God chooses to accomplish His will in the world. Us, the broken. Us, the weary. Us, the imperfect. Yes, miraculous events and apparitions still occur from time to time, but by and large, if a person is going to come to believe in Jesus Christ in this day and age, it will be because of something we Christians do or say.

Christ has no wounds now but ours. Our brokenness, our weariness, our imperfection — our reality. It all belongs to him, and the world is watching.

*Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI*

Walk with the Province of St. Mary in the Fight Against Poverty at the Heart & Sole Capuchin Walk-a-Thon, June 14, 2025, 9:30am-11:00am at Archbishop Stepinac High School in White Plains, NY. Funds raised will support Capuchin Family Ministries, summer programs to provide aid to the underserved in the Hudson Valley and Appalachia. Individuals, Teams, and Sponsors can join us; registration is \$25 for individuals (\$20 for early birds!). All who walk will receive a T-shirt, snacks, fun, and games. Save \$5 and register by May 23; all registrations close May 30. For more information or to register: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/sfpzt5/> Or contact Heather: (914) 761-3008, ext.200 or email: [walkathon@capuchin.org](mailto:walkathon@capuchin.org)

**✠ STEWARDSHIP ✠**

What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits to me?

**TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

**April 13, 2025**

**Sunday collection: \$5,087.00**

**On Line giving: \$1,135.00**

**Total \$6,222.00**

**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](http://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](mailto:stbartschurch@aol.com).**



**LORD  
give strength  
to your people**

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](mailto:stbartschurch@aol.com), if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.**

**Prayer of Divine Mercy**

O Blood and Water that redeems and saves, have mercy on us!  
O Blood and Water that heals and restores, have mercy on us!  
O Blood and Water that strengthens and renews, have mercy on us!  
Amen.



April 27, 2025

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 26

5:00 PM Josephine & Barney Scardino +  
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Sunday, April 27  
Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Marie Paprocki +  
11:00 AM Tricia Marie Locatelli +  
12:30 PM For All The People of Our Parish  
5:00 PM Amedeo Antenucci +

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Monday April 28  
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Silvia & Carmine Scipioni, Angela Rush  
& Aristide Scipioni +  
9:00 AM Murdel Velasquez +

Tuesday, April 29  
Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Peter Pryor +

Wednesday, April 30  
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Christian Federico +  
9:00 AM Elizabeth Liga +

May 1  
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Zbigniew K. Bocianski +

Friday, May 2  
Saint Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM Michele Ricardo +  
9:00 AM Pam DeWitt +

Saturday, May 3  
Saints Philip & James, Apostles

9:00 AM Luigi Lucchetti +  
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Saturday, May 3

5:00 PM Lucille & Victor Serrichio +  
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Sunday, May 4  
Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Rosalie Heit +  
11:00 AM Stephanie Peduto (Living)  
12:30 PM For All The Souls in Purgatory  
5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

**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 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

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

