

# 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. Raphael Ezeh, MSP, Pastor  
Deacon Robert A. Clemens  
Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Administrative Assistant  
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);  
9:30 and 11:30 a.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

**PUTTING OUR NEEDS SECOND**

In today's passage from Genesis - the second story of creation - the first woman is created out of a combination of the human and the divine. She is created from the rib of the first human and built up by the Lord God. Many generations later, Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit (the divine) and born of the Blessed Virgin Mary (the human). The Church, upon whom Jesus sent the Holy Spirit, is the bride of Christ, the human joined to the divine. Jesus speaks to the Pharisees about a husband and wife, but let us apply this lesson to Jesus and the Church. "What God has joined together, no human being must separate" (Mark 10:9).

God can be found in relationships, in the kind and selfless love that we express with those with whom we are closest. It is found in relationships between wife and husband, between parent and child, between two close friends. When we sacrifice our own needs and desires for the needs and desires of another, we mirror Jesus' mission to us. Like Jesus lowering Himself to wash His disciples' feet at the Last Supper, we marry the divine and the human when we lower our own needs below the needs of those we love.

Human nature is imperfect, and so are human relationships. Marriages can become painful and traumatic, often because one partner neglects or even hurts the other when they no longer care for the other's needs. Children can become uncared for and even unloved, which is especially tragic since they have so many needs. May our awareness that we all stand in need of God's love and care make us sensitive to others' needs.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

What can I do to put the needs of those I love, of those who depend on me, above my own needs this week?

*Blessings* **Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP**



**Please Note:**  
I will be away from October 10<sup>th</sup> to November 4<sup>th</sup> in Nigeria celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of my Ordination with my class. Father George Okoro will be taking care of the

parish while I am away. **Fr. Raphael**

**St. Francis of Assisi | Feast Day October 4<sup>th</sup>**

St. Francis of Assisi (1181 – 1226) left a life of luxury for a life devoted to Christianity after reportedly hearing the voice of God, who commanded him to rebuild the Christian church and live in poverty. He founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, the Third Order of St. Francis and the Custody of the Holy Land.



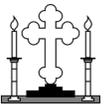
Born in 1181 in Italy, St. Francis of Assisi was renowned for drinking and partying as a youth. During a military expedition/battle between Assisi and Perugia, he was captured and imprisoned for ransom. He spent nearly a year in prison and began receiving visions from God. After his release from prison, St. Francis of Assisi claimed to have heard the voice of Christ, who told him to restore the Christian Church and live a life of poverty. As a result, St. Francis of Assisi abandoned his life of luxury and became a devotee of the Catholic faith. Today, St. Francis of Assisi, known for his deep love of nature and animals, is the patron saint of the environment and animals. Each October, many animals are blessed on his feast day.

**PARISH NEWS**



**THE 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.

**THE ATLAR CANDLES** are lit in loving memory of Marie Grace Hoffman by Josephine Smith.



**FOR THE WEEKEND MASSES, THE SATURDAY MASS AT 5 PM AND THE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:30 A.M., WILL BE SAID FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH. THIS SUNDAY MASS, OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, AT 9:30 A.M. WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:**

**DECEASED:**

George Klobosits +  
Lucyanne Caruso +

**FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:**



*Religious Education*

Register now for next year's Religious Education program. Children in public school who will be entering First Grade through High School in September are eligible for these classes. Please call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 for more information.

**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. Please contact Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676 if you or somebody you know might be interested in the program.



**Meals for a Soup Kitchen:** The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans will be collected **FOR OCTOBER NEXT Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on Sunday October 10<sup>th</sup>, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.** Trays will

be available for those who wish to donate food beginning this Saturday and Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. **May God bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.**



**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:**

**This Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>** is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. There will be a blessing of the animals in the parking lot at 6 p.m.





**THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S IS AS FOLLOWS:**

**MASSES**  
**MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**  
 7 AM AND 9 AM  
**SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM**  
**SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM**  
**SUNDAY MASSES**  
 9:30 AM AND 11:30 AM.

\*\*\*\*CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM\*\*\*\*

**Local News**

Volunteers needed at **St. Vincent's Hospital Westchester**, a division of Saint Joseph's Medical Center, **for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline of Westchester**. Must be 18 years of age or older, high school diploma or GED, and able to commit to one 4-hour shift per week. Experience or a background in mental health preferred, but not required, and personal and/or lived experience is welcome. Need good listeners, empathetic and non-judgmental with good computer skills, be able to multi-task, and handle a fast-paced environment. Extensive initial and ongoing training and supervision is provided. Spanish speaking candidates welcome. For information, contact Meg Sutton at [msutton@svwsjmc.org](mailto:msutton@svwsjmc.org).

**The Ursuline School**, a Catholic, private, independent, college preparatory school for girls in grades 6-12, located in New Rochelle, NY, cordially invites prospective students and their families to attend our upcoming Open House events on Saturday, October 23 at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. or Wednesday, October 27 at 6:30 p.m. Additionally, Virtual Open House will be held on Wednesday, November 3 at 6:30 p.m. Explore the campus including the dynamic new spaces; engage with the dedicated faculty and administration and learn how the students develop the critical skills for continued success after high school. Please visit the Admissions page of the website for information: <https://www.ursulinenewrochelle.org/admissions/open-house-2021> or call the Admissions Office at 914-500-6227.

**Knights of Columbus: Leave No Neighbor Behind**

In 1882, Blessed Fr. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus to be a pillar of strength to poor Catholic families. Here are some recent examples of local Knights carrying out Fr. McGivney's vision of charity and unity right here in Westchester County in response to Hurricane Ida,  
 · "Boots-on-the-ground" volunteer teams to provide food, clothes and gift cards to local families displaced by flooding  
 · Truckloads of food and clothing donations from all over New York State to emergency distribution centers at local churches  
 · Generous financial contributions to help rebuild homes damaged by flooding

Catholic men ages 18+ are urged to consider becoming Knights to similarly help their parishes and communities, as well as to protect their families via the top-rated Knights of Columbus fraternal benefits program. Don't have time to attend regular meetings at a local council? No problem! Busy Catholic family men and professionals can join online at [kofc.org/JoinUs](http://kofc.org/JoinUs). Contact Bob Maffucci at **917-319-5525** or [robert.maffucci@kofc.org](mailto:robert.maffucci@kofc.org) for a special promo code that will provide one full year of **FREE** online membership. Bob can also assist those men interested in traditional membership with a local Knights of Columbus council.



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

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

*September 19<sup>th</sup>:*  
**Sunday collection:** \$3,065  
**On Line giving:** \$1,470  
**Total:** \$4,535

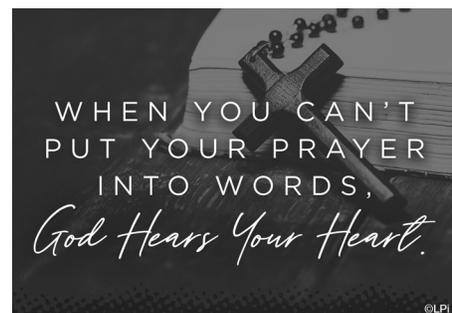
**IT'S EASY TO SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING  
 EASY LINK FROM THE PARISH WEBSITE**

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).**



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Ann McShane, Ellen Chimenti, Gianna Whitehead, Dan Panik, Dominick Francis Marra, Edward Minozzi, Robert Minnucci, Lucia Sevivas, Josephine Giabattista, Loni Shost, Ken Shost, Emil Kurak, and John & Patricia Quirk.

**Please contact 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.**



October 3, 2021

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*Mass Intentions*  *for the Week*

**Saturday, October 2 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish  
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**Sunday, October 3, 2021**

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM George Klobosits +  
Lucyanne Caruso +

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish  
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**Monday, October 4**  
**Saint Francis of Assisi**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Gloria & Benjamin DeLuccy +

**Tuesday, October 5**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Marie Grace Hoffman +

**Wednesday, October 6**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Patricia A. Molinari +  
9:00 AM Donna Marie Schanz +

**Thursday, October 7**

**Our Lady of the Rosary**

7:00 AM Charity Ubawike +  
9:00 AM Robert E. Quickel +

**Friday, October 8**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Eugene Ubawike, Jr. +  
9:00 AM Helen & Pete Pietrowski +

**Saturday, October 9**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Larry Mesler +  
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**Saturday, October 9 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish  
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**Sunday, October 10, 2021**

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM William & Anna Groth +  
Deceased Members of the Holy Name  
& Rosary Altar Societies

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

**October 3, 2021**



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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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 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 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.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

**WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR**

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

