

Saint Bartholomew's Church

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29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and
to God what belongs to God.” - Mt 22:21c

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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 Ezech, MSP, Pastor
Rev. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate Pastor
Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Office Manager
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, **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

GIVE BACK TO GOD AND FEEL RICHER

The ancient proverb, "the enemy of my enemy is my friend" applies perfectly to Cyrus the Great, king of Persia. He had set his sights on building an enormous empire that would extend from central Asia to the Mediterranean.

Pastor's COLUMN

But the Babylonians, who had destroyed Jerusalem and driven much of the Jewish population from Judah, stood in the way. Cyrus was well known for respecting the religions and traditions of the people living in the regions he conquered,

so the Jewish people greeted him as a liberator, not another oppressor. Therefore, Isaiah has the audacity to say that Cyrus must have been called by God, anointed by God, in his mission to defeat the Jewish nation's greatest enemy, the Babylonians.

Isaiah goes on to say that God called Cyrus by name, anointed him, armed him, and gave him his title, even though Cyrus does not even know who God is. It doesn't matter. We ourselves may feel inadequate when it comes to knowing God or understanding God, but this should not worry us. The important thing is that God knows us. From the leader of the largest empire in history at the time to the tiniest sparrow who falls to earth, God knows every living being in creation.

God knows your heart. ♥

Some of the Pharisees seek to entrap Jesus, asking him a question designed to get him in trouble with either the religious or government authorities. But Jesus finds a clever way to answer sensibly and safely. Had Caesar heard his answer, he would have been pleased that Jesus' followers could be counted on to continue to pay the census tax. But maybe we should ask: What did Caesar have that did not first come from God? All creation has its source in God, and so truly all creation belongs to God. Neither Cyrus nor Caesar likely realized it, but despite all their power and all their wealth, they stood in God's debt. Even more do we owe God for all we have been given, from what we have here in this world to our eventual destiny in the next.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What can I do concretely to repay to God what belongs to God? How does giving back to God make me feel richer?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP



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 ALTAR FLOWERS AND ALTAR BREAD AND WINE were donated in loving memory of Fiore Brusco & Gloria Brusco Flanagan.

THE ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are lit in loving memory of Fiore Brusco & Gloria Brusco Flanagan.



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.



FOOD PANTRY: The food pantry can use cereal, juice, soups and macaroni and cheese. *May God bless you all for your generosity.*



Thursday, November 2nd, is All Souls Day. If you would like your loved one(s) remembered in our nine day Novena Masses, please take an envelope from the table at the rear of the church and return it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office by Friday, October 27th.

SAVE THE DATE

St. Bartholomew's International Cultural Festival
Saturday, November 4th at 6 pm
McManus Parish Center



WINTER COAT DRIVE

St. Bart's will be collecting winter coats again, Stay tuned for further details

The Knights of Columbus will be selling their raffle tickets next weekend, October 28th and 29th after each of the Masses.

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

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR
ORDINARY MOMENTS
Chosen

It is getting close to Election Day and I suppose most of us have an idea of how we will cast our vote. We have tried to discern where candidates stand on important issues and what type of leader they might be if elected. However, there is a good chance that when we go into a voting booth, we will cast at least one vote for a person who we never heard of and to do a job we do not understand. We know the more notable people in the more notable contests, but some of those on the ballot as we get further into it? Who knew that was going to be on there?

In life we will at times be asked to make a choice about something or someone we know little about. Our choices will not always be as informed as we would like. Then, when we do know some information needed to make a choice, we still don't know everything. We may support a candidate and not really know him or her personally.

When God chose you and me, He had all the information needed to make the choice. The crazy thing is He chose us anyway! He knew we would sin, turn our backs on Him, and sometimes not be very good ambassadors for Him. However, He still chose us because He loves us. We are a chosen people. We are His own. I don't know about you, but if given the chance I am not sure I would have chosen myself. I rejoice that God sees in me something that at times seems hidden to me.

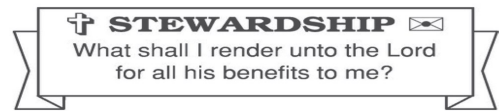
Tracy Earl Welliver LPI

SACRED HEART IS HOSTING:

A Religious Book Sale
@Sacred Heart, Yonkers
Parish Offices
40 Convent Avenue
Saturday, October 28, 6:00 - 6:30 pm
Sunday, October 29, 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Whether you are looking for a Christmas gift or planning ahead for First Communion and Confirmation gifts, we will have an assortment of Magnificat Bookstore books that may be ordered for delivery through our office.

**What a wonderful way to share our faith
with our children and grandchildren!**



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 8TH
Sunday collection: \$3,957.00
On Line giving: \$1,235.00
Total: \$5,192.00

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 **(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.**



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, 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, 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, John & Patricia Quirk, Lucille McGeough, Baby Joseph Anthony Coddington, Tony Sciacca, Megan Weingarten, Richard Gritta, Luz Maria Izurieta, Joan Manno, Ana Herrera, Edna McShane, Faust Venturino, Patricia Nieman, Richard Romanowski, Salvador Aviles, Judy Hanrahan, John Smith, and Theresa Liuzzi.

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.

October 22, 2023

Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, October 21 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Andrew Tacyn +

Sunday, October 22

Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the LaBruzzo Family

11:00 AM Fiore Brusco & Gloria Brusco Flanagan +

Blessing for Fashion and Etiquette

Graduates (Living)

12:30 PM For All The People Of The Parish

5:00 PM For All The People Of The Parish

Monday, October 23

Weekday

7:00 AM Brittany Pezzola (Living)

9:00 AM Vincenzo & Marietta De Santis +

Tuesday, October 24

Weekday

7:00 AM Josefina Canales +

9:00 AM Ciro Telese +

Weekday

7:00 AM Josefina Canales +

9:00 AM Edward J. Ryan +

Thursday, October 26

Weekday

7:00 AM Josefina Canales +

9:00 AM Special Intention

Friday, October 27

Weekday

7:00 AM Josefina Canales

9:00 AM No Intention

Saturday, October 28

Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles

9:00 AM Josefina Canales +

Saturday, October 28 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Annabelle Bondi +

Sunday, October 29

Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Carl & Elizabeth Laredo +

Robert Liddell +

11:00 AM Barbara Fandel +

12:30 PM Josefina Canales +

5:00 PM Itua Uduebo (Living)

October 22, 2023

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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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

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