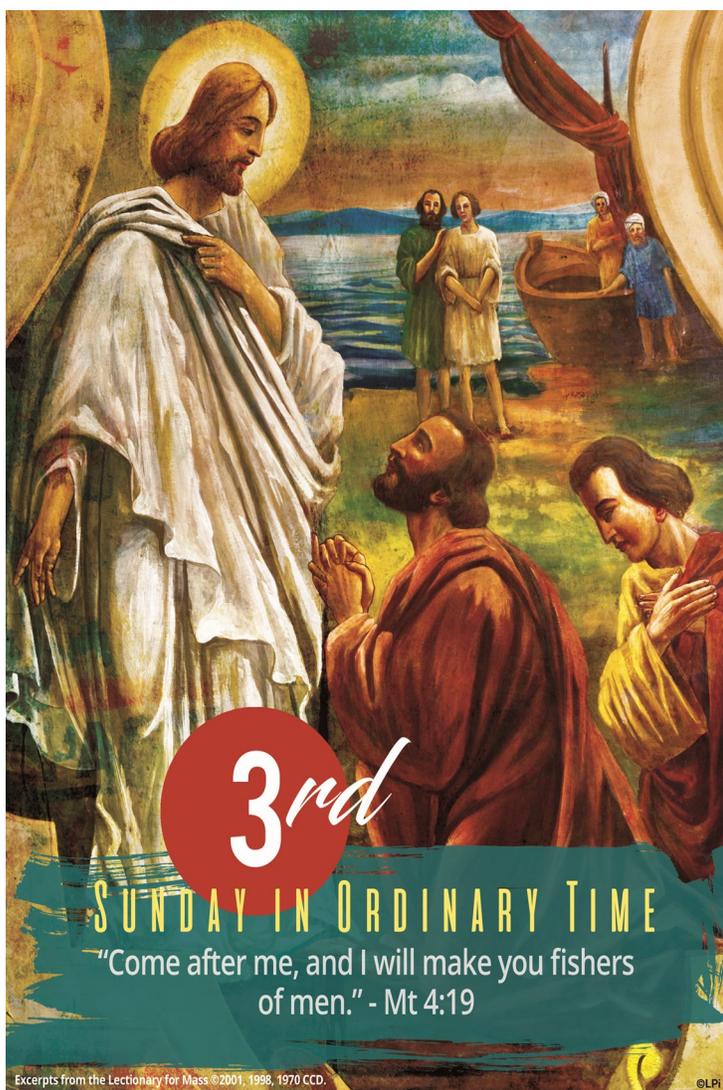


Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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
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

JESUS HEALS ALL DIVISIONS

Throughout his Gospel, Matthew reminds his audience that Jesus is the one who fulfills all the prophecies from the Old Testament regarding the one who was to come. Already he has laid out Jesus' genealogy to show that He is of the house of David. Also, He was born of a virgin, born in the town of Bethlehem, later to come out of Egypt and grow up in Nazareth. Now he reminds them that after His baptism He went to Galilee, to the region of Zebulun and Naphtali, just as Isaiah had prophesied. It is no coincidence that the first reading, nearly every Sunday since the first of December has been from the prophet Isaiah. Unlike Luke, Matthew does not precede the story of the calling of the first apostles, fishermen all, by relating the story of a miraculous catch of fish. Perhaps this is because he trusts that Simon, Andrew, James, and John, like his Jewish audience, would already recognize in Jesus the fulfillment of the ancient prophecies. No wonder they are able to abandon their steady jobs "at once" for a completely new calling.

Only after they are called does Jesus embark on His mission, teaching, preaching, and healing. But Isaiah clued them in to what Jesus would do, this Light in a land overshadowed by death, glorifying the road between Jewish and Gentile lands, proclaiming the Good News of abundant joy, and destroying the burdens of disease and illness.



Just after we completed the week of prayer for Christian unity, we hear this reading from Paul decrying the divisions within the church in Corinth. As disciples ourselves, we have a responsibility to work for unity, for in Christ there can be no division. Christ transcends all human leaders who could claim adherents while excluding others.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

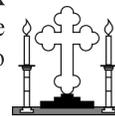
What divisions among the people in my life can I help to heal? How can I build unity in my family, parish, community?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael, Ezech, MSP

PARISH NEWS

THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in loving memory of Elizabeth Laredo by Joan Laredo Liddell.



CHILDREN'S MASS: Please make it a point to bring your child to our Children's Mass at 10 a.m. The 10 a.m. Mass will focus on our children. The Parish Children's Choir will sing at this Mass. The children are encouraged to sit with other children at a designated place during the Mass.



January Religious Education Service Project – Elizabeth Seton Children's Hospital, Yonkers NY

January 26th is the last day for donations. Please deposit your donations in the box marked for Elizabeth Seton located in the back of the church. Thank you!!!

The following can be donated:

Hand Wipes, Flushable Wipes, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Packs of Emergen C (powder mix), Coffee Pods for the Keurig, Coffee Pods for the Nespresso, and Non refrigerated Coffee Mate

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.



ADORATION & HOLY HOUR: This Saturday, February 1st is First Saturday. The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. All are invited to spend an hour to come and adore Jesus Christ Who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

*"Dear God, I know I'm a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness.
I believe in Jesus Christ Your Son. I believe that He died for my sin and that You raised Him to life.
I trust Him as my Savior and follow Him as Lord.
Guide my life and help me to do Your will.
I pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen."*

PRAYER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT CONVERSATION OF YOUR DAY. TAKE IT TO GOD BEFORE YOU TAKE IT TO ANYONE ELSE!
JCLU FOREVER



SAVE THE DATE

St. Bart's Annual Winter Festival Dinner-Dance, is Saturday, February 15th. Come and join us for a night of fun!! Adults: \$20, Children \$10 (Ages 12 and under) and Family \$40. Call the parish office for more details.

Youth Week, February 16th to February 22nd



The 2020 Mass Book is open with dates available. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in our life, the graces associated with having a Mass offered on their behalf. You may have a thanksgiving Mass offered for your loved one or yourself on such occasions as birthday's, wedding anniversaries, etc. Also you may consider offering the Altar Flowers (\$100; or \$125 for roses), Altar Bread and Wine (\$30), Altar Candles (\$10) or the Sanctuary Lamp (\$10) for your intention. Come to the Parish Office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets in the school building on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. There will be no meeting on Sunday, February 2nd (Super Bowl Sunday).

Our **EDGE GROUP (AGES 11-13)** meets in the school building on the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is Sunday, February 9, 2020.

Our **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10)** meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building.

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

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

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.

LOCAL NEWS

Fordham Preparatory School

Higher Achievement Program (HAP) for rising 8th grade young men

June 29-July 29

Application Required

Visit fordhamprep.org/HAP

718 367-7500 ext. 263, HAP@fordhamprep.org.

Classes in critical thinking, math, and writing as well as special activities like astronomy, speech, debate and graphic design.

Also included is a service project.



**TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
Sunday Collection Update**

January 19, 2020- Tithing

Envelopes	\$4,003.50
Online	\$ 970.00
Total	\$4,973.50

**THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR SNOW REMOVAL
TOTALLED: \$804.90**

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing program! May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought. Thank you!"

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!!!!
Go to: www.saintbartparish.org and click on the We Share online giving link. (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY).



**LORD
give strength
to your people**

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, Frank Marra, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy and Sister Joan Mary Gleason.

Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.

January 26, 2020

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Saturday, January 25 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Margaret Verderosa +

Sunday, January 26, 2020

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Elizabeth Laredo +

10:00 AM Robert Chappory +

11:30 AM Francine Precipuo +

5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

Monday, January 27

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Carmela Pittarelli +

Tuesday, January 28

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Robert & Lillian Kurtz +

Wednesday, January 29

Weekday

7:00 AM Daniel P. De Rosa +

9:00 AM Marie Caloia +

Thursday, January 30

Weekday

7:00 AM Deceased Members Of Faranda & Depole
Families

9:00 AM Giovanni Lucchetti (Living)

Friday, January 31

Saint John Bosco, Priest

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Sammy J. Maratto +

Saturday, February 1

Weekday

9:00 AM Julio Rios +

Saturday, February 1 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM George Goresen +

Sunday, February 2, 2020

The Presentation of the Lord

8:30 AM Annetrud Cordes +

10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish

11:30 AM Patrick V. Fox +

5:00 PM Emilio Spena +

January 26, 2020



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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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 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 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.