

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
Rev. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate 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. 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

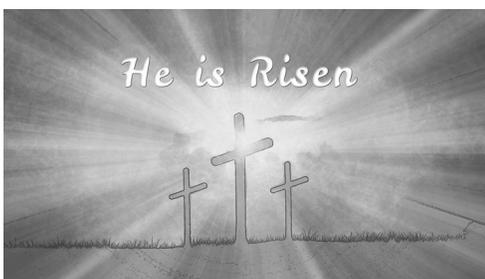
Trustees: Thomas Hoffman, Tina Falcone

DO YOU HEAR THE VOICE OF THE RISEN LORD?

John tells us that Mary Magdalene traveled in the dark of night, making it to the tomb before dawn, so strong was her dedication to the Lord. She had no idea what to make of what she found—the stone rolled away and the tomb empty—and immediately ran to two of Jesus' closest disciples. Following this passage John writes that Mary returned to the empty tomb and wept. Not only had He died, His body was gone. It is while she is weeping, after she sees two angels in the tomb, that she turns and sees whom she believes must be a gardener. But when he calls her name, "Mary!" she immediately realizes it is the Lord. Her tears of grief transform to tears of joy. We are not as fortunate to hear Jesus call to us in a voice we immediately recognize, but He calls us by name as well. May we take comfort in knowing this as we try to discern His voice.

Love can cause us to act without thinking, trust without logical reason, accept without understanding. When the disciple whom

Jesus loved entered the tomb he saw the burial cloths left behind and the head cloth rolled up separately. He still did not understand, John tells us yet he believed. His love



led him to believe in a living Christ, a risen Lord, even before he could wrap his mind around the possibility. More than anything in the world, he wanted the crucifixion of the one he loved not to be the end.

"This is the day the Lord has made," we sing in the responsorial psalm, "let us rejoice and be glad" (Psalm 118:24). Obviously, we do so today. But what about tomorrow when we return to work or some day soon that brings pain and suffering, let alone on those routine days when the pressures of work or family or life drag us down? Let Paul's words redirect our focus: "Think of what is above not of what is on earth" (Colossians 3:2). Keeping in mind that the Son of God came from above to be one of us, to suffer with us, and to redeem us, may we continue to sing of the wonder of each day. For the Lord made each day for us to rejoice and be glad in the lasting company of our Savior. Christ is with us today, tomorrow, and every day of the rest of our lives.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Have I heard the reassuring voice of the Lord? While I listen for His voice, how do I witness to the difference the Risen Lord makes in my life?

Blessings

Father Raphael

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 BREAD AND WINE are donated in loving memory of deceased members of the Brusco & Nanoia Families.

THE ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are lit in loving memory of the deceased members of the Brusco & Nanoia Families.



My dear friends, Rejoice, for the Lord has truly risen.



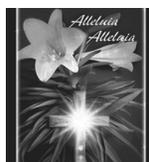
Fr. Raphael, Fr. Victor, the Pastoral Staff, and the Administrative Staff wish you a Happy and Blessed Easter. May God bless you all!!

Father Raphael and Father Victor will be heading out to Texas for their annual MSP meeting this coming week. Therefore, there will be only one Mass at 9 a.m. this Monday through Friday, April 18th through April 22nd. (There also will be no Adoration).



The Paschal Candle was donated in loving memory of Joan Tracey by Bernie Tracey and a donation toward the cost of the Paschal Candle was made by an anonymous donor.

It's time to register for next year's Religious Education classes. Classes will begin in September. Children who will be entering first grade this September or are currently in grade school or high school are eligible to enroll. Current students should submit the re-registration forms this week while those not yet in the program should call Cheryl Duda in the Religious Education Office. Her number is on the front of the bulletin. Adults wishing to inquire about becoming Catholic or wishing to make their 1st Communion or Confirmation should also contact Cheryl at this time.



"Oh God, our gracious Heavenly Father, we come on this Easter morning, thanking Thee for revealing to us the ultimate meaning and the ultimate rationality of the universe. We thank You, this morning, for Your Son, Jesus, who came by to let us know that love is the most durable power in the world, who came by to let us know that death can't defeat us, to take the sting out of the grave and make it possible for all of us to have eternal life. We thank You, oh God. And God grant that we will be grateful recipients of Thy eternal blessings. In the name and spirit of Jesus, we pray, Amen."

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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, 11:30 AM & 5 PM

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

St. Bart's Seniors Group

Consider joining the Seniors Group **this Thursday, April 21st**
Movie Thursdays - 10 am in the school gym



Pray the Rosary, then view *The Shack*, with light refreshments. The movie is a story of a father's spiritual journey after a family tragedy leads to a crisis of faith and questioning God's existence and life's purpose.

At this time, all new participants must be fully vaccinated against the COVID virus.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Leave It in the Tomb

Today, on the most important day of the liturgical year, the Apostle Paul is calling us out.

"I see you hiding in that tomb," he says. "I see you baking with that old, stale yeast, thinking no one will notice."

He says it a little more elegantly, I'll grant you. But the message is this: If you want to be raised with Christ, you'd better be ready to step out of the shadows. Seek what is above — not what is on earth.

I can feel myself responding almost reflexively, "Great idea, Paul — but I'm pretty comfy here." Because sometimes, it's just easier to stay in the tomb. It's easier to crouch in the shadows and look outward at everyone else, thinking of the changes they could make or the sins they could overcome.

Today we are called to embrace newness. New hearts, new lives, new futures, new chances. If there's anything keeping you from that, you need to leave it in the tomb. It's a little scary, sure — maybe Jesus thought so before he stepped into the light of that first Easter morning. But no loaf of bread worth eating was ever baked using stale yeast that wouldn't rise. No new life worth having was ever lived through the broken sins of yesterday. No Easter morning ever dawned without the tomb sitting empty.



St Bart's will be conducting the 101st blood drive in the 41 years since starting in 1981 on THIS Friday, April 22nd, at the McManus Parish Center from 12 noon to 6:00 p.m. St Bart's parishioners and friends have made 7583 donations to date.

It is preferable to make appointments by using:

https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/280910.

NY Blood Center will allow WALKINS only if the room capacity permits.

Or you can contact Tony Sciacca @ 914-423-3592 or tonscia@aol.com for an appointment.

Covid policy and precautions will meet FDA and CDC guidelines. Face covering will be mandatory.

We are traditionally asked to run drives during holiday periods when the need for blood is great and the donations are usually down. Your support is just one of many things that make St. Bart's special. Tell your family and friends too.

† STEWARDSHIP †

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 3rd

Sunday collection: \$2,951.00

On Line giving: \$1,165.00

Total: \$4,116.00

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 donation s, 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.



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, 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, John & Patricia Quirk, Lucille McGeough, Baby Joseph Anthony Coddington, Tony Sciacca, and Megan Weingarten.

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 souls of the faithful departed especially Cora Monahan.

April 17 2022

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, April 16 (Anticipated Mass)

Easter Vigil

7:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

Sunday, April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

9:30 AM Roberto & Pasqua Capuano +

Joseph Paul Prior +

11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Brusco &

Nanoia Families

Monday, April 18

Monday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Michael De Martino +

Tuesday, April 19

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Michael & Loretta Kennedy +

Wednesday, April 20

Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Rose Hall (Living)

Thursday, April 21

Thursday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Marie Giuriceo +

Friday, April 22

Friday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Leovigildo Sotto +

Saturday, April 23

Saturday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Fiorente & Teresa Venturino +

Saturday, April 23 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Robert Liddell +

Sunday, April 24, 2022

Divine Mercy Sunday

9:30 AM Luigi & Maria Loreta Lucchetti +

11:30 AM Angela Di Rodio +

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

April 17, 2022

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 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

EASTER

