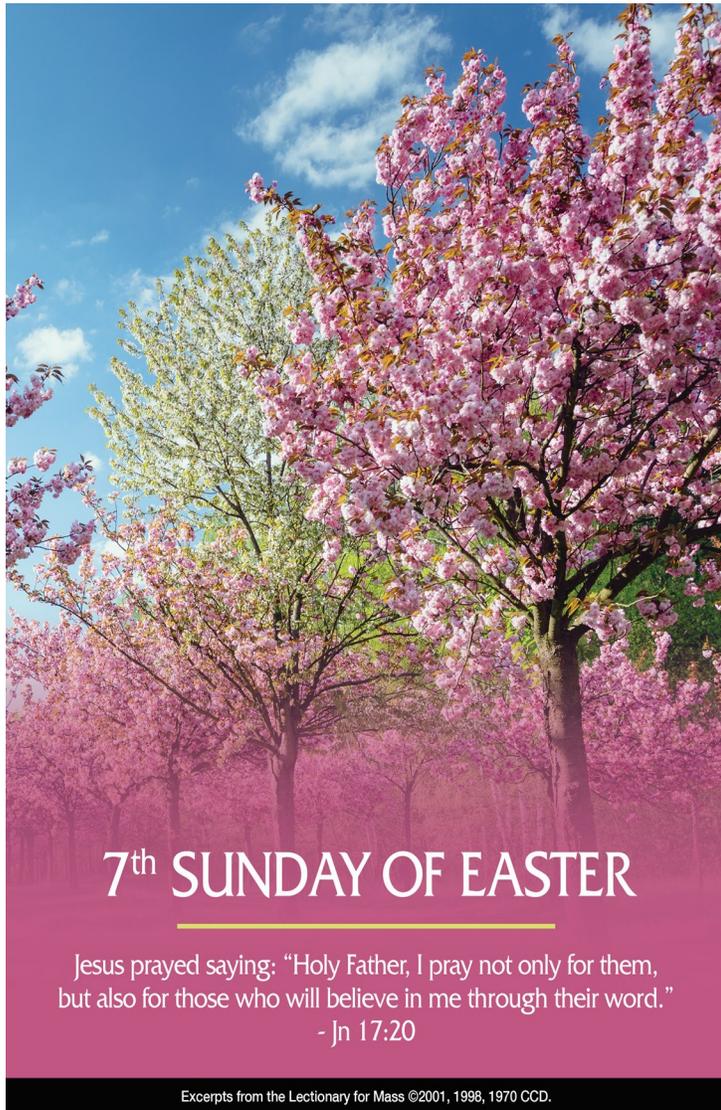


# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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. Anthony Mbanefo, MSP, Parochial Vicar  
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

Sunday Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday;  
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, Anthony Martelli

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

THE LOVE OF GOD IN US

As Saint Stephen, the first Christian martyr, was put to death, he modeled for us a new way to pray. His is the first prayer in scripture addressed to Jesus. Stephen prays to Jesus as Jesus had prayed to the Father. Stephen's last words, in fact, parallel Christ's last words on the cross. Significantly, when Stephen prays, "Lord, do not hold this against them," Saul would be included in that sentiment, as he approved and witnessed the execution (Acts 7:60). Saul—as Paul—would go on to become the greatest missionary of the Christian faith. Luke implies that Stephen's selfless prayer was answered, and answered in a way beyond compare.



Speaking of Saint Paul, it was not long after Stephen was martyred that he heard the voice of Jesus on his way to Damascus. But in the reading we hear today, Saul's allies "covered their ear," refusing to hear Stephen's testimony about Jesus (Acts 7:57). The members of the Sanhedrin fail to hear the voice of Jesus because they refused to listen to it.

Three days ago, on Ascension Thursday, we celebrated Jesus' return to the Father. Jesus' mission here on earth was complete. But that mission is incomplete as well. "That they may all be one," Jesus prays, envisioning a world that comes together, that achieves the unity modeled by the Father and Son (John 17:21). It is a daunting task, but the route is laid out for us. Ensure "that the love with which you loved Me may be in them and I in them (John 17:26). With the love of God in us, directed outward toward our neighbor, Jesus is made manifest in us, in us all.



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How can I imitate the love of God? What concrete action can I take to show God's love to my neighbor?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

PARISH NEWS



The ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated for the intentions of the Brusco Family by Lou and Angela Brusco.



\*\*\*\*DATE FOR SENIOR GATHERING CHANGED FOR JUNE\*\*\*\*



The Special Blessing and Gathering for the Seniors normally held the first Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> will take place instead on Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> after the 9 AM Mass.



FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

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. Evening classes are available to accommodate the children of working parents. Please call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 for more information.



Religious Education



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.

COME, BE AN ALTAR SERVER

If you have made your First Holy Communion and are now in Grades 5 through High School and are interested in becoming an Altar Server, please contact Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676.

HOLY HOUR: This Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, is First Friday. We will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. with our regular monthly Holy Hour at 1 p.m.



TAG SALE

Volunteers are needed to staff the Parish Tag Sale on Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and to help with the clean up from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Help is also needed on the evening of Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to set up the gym for the sale and to place the merchandise on the tables. Many hands are needed and will make the set up go quickly.



Donations for the sale will begin immediately. Items may be dropped in the gated area before or after Sunday Masses or you may call 914 476-6676 for a drop off appointment.

Please NO books, DVD's, toys, or stuffed animals. TV's are accepted only if they are flat screen TV's. Jewelry, kitchen items, clothes in good condition, baby items such as strollers, high chairs, play pens, etc. are among the items that are particularly attractive to buyers. Please be selective in the items you are donating as items in poor condition do not sell and then create a problem for us in the discarding of them at the end of the sale. If the item isn't in a condition that you would buy, then please refrain from donating it. For further information, please call Cheryl at 914-476-6676.

**PARISH EVENTS**

**THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup>**, COMMUNION BREAKFAST AFTER THE 10 A.M. MASS

**THIS TUESDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>**, ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY YEAR END DINNER AT 6:30 P.M. AT CALABRIA MIA RESTAURANT

**THIS SATURDAY, JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>**, CULTURAL NIGHT. SEE THE FLYER IN TODAY'S BULLETIN.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>**, HEALING MASS WITH ST. ANTHONY BREAD, 7 P.M.



**FRIDAY, JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>**, OUR SECOND "POCKETBOOK" BINGO AT 7 P.M. SEE THE FLYER IN TODAY'S BULLETIN.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>**, FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST AFTER THE 8:30 AND 10 A.M. MASSES

**SATURDAY, JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>**, TAG SALE, 9:30 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup>**, THE PARISH PICNIC, 12 NOON TO 5 P.M. PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY FOR THIS FUN EVENT! SEE THE FLYER IN TODAY'S BULLETIN.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 27<sup>TH</sup>**, LIFE LINE SCREENING, CALL TO PRE REGISTER AT 1 888-653-6450.

THE FOOD PANTRY is in need of juices, canned fruit, and macaroni and cheese. Thank you for your support.

**FATHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY, JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>**

We will have a 9 day Novena of Masses for all our fathers, living and deceased. The Novena of Masses will begin on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> and will end on Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. There are cards and/or envelopes at the back of the church if you want your father, father-in-law or any other father remembered in the Novena of Masses. Please fill out the envelope and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office during the week.



**May God Bless Clemencia and Yun Wah Wong & Joseph and Amelia Visco as they attend the 2 PM Mass today at St. Patrick's Cathedral to bless their 50 years of Marriage. Congratulations!!**

*Dear Father, Thank You so much for this day. For today we celebrate 50 years of marriage together. We are thankful You are journeying with us. Lord, forgive us for the times we have failed and hurt each other. When we have neglected our friendship together. We are truly sorry for these times and resolve to live life differently. Today we commit ourselves afresh to each other. To always support and trust our partner. Lord, come and reignite our love! Inspire our thoughts and fashion our plans!*



*We are so excited to be married and so thrilled about our future years together. Thank you Lord. We love You.*



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

Amount Needed Weekly	\$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday	\$5,900.00
Balance	- \$1,100.00
*(Envelopes \$5,460, \$440 Online)	
Amount Needed for Month of May	<b>\$28,000.00</b>
Amount Collected Thus Far	\$21,518.10

"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!"

**It's time to sign up for on line giving with We Share. Please contact the parish office or fill out the cards at the rear of the Church.**



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary De Santis, 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, Douglas Newhard, and Eileen Fitzpatrick.

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



**Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Patrick V. Fox and Charles T. Sciacca.

Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. **Their next meeting is this Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St\_Barts-Youth.

Our **EDGE GROUP (AGES 11-13)** meets the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building.

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

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*Mass for the  
Intentions Week*

**Saturday, June 1 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Margaret Verderosa +  
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**Sunday, June 2, 2019  
Seventh Sunday of Easter**

8:30 AM Maria Loretta Lucchetti +  
10:00 AM Yvette & Jason Zevon & Doris Blanco (Living)  
11:30 AM James Lynch +  
5:00 PM Living Members of the Pezzola Family  
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**Monday, June 3  
Saint Charles, Lwanga & Companions, Martyr**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Rosemary Lillis (Living)

**Tuesday, June 4  
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Antonio Marchetti +

**Wednesday, June 5  
Saint Boniface, Bishop & Martyr**

7:00 AM Reverend Anthony Ita Bassey, MSP +  
9:00 AM Benjamin & Corazon Sotto +

**Thursday June 6  
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM Intentions of the Brusco Family  
9:00 AM Helen & Pete Pietrowski +

**Friday, June 7  
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM Angelo De Polito +  
9:00 AM Ruth Sweeney +

**Saturday, June 8  
Easter Weekday**

9:00 AM Phyllis & Louis Martelli +  
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**Saturday, June 8 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Helen Clemens +  
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**Sunday, June 9, 2019  
Pentecost Sunday**

8:30 AM Dec. Mem. Of Holy Name & Rosary Altar Societies  
10:00 AM Eleanor & George Tiplady +  
11:30 AM Anna Giuriceo +  
5:00 PM Brittany Arzola (Living)

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**LOCAL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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.saintbartsparish.org](http://www.saintbartsparish.org) and click on the We Share online giving link.** (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY).



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**STEAM INTO SCA (Saint Catherine Academy):** STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) is a comprehensive one month summer program, July 1-26<sup>th</sup>, for rising 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls. The program reinforces Math, Reading and English language skills, as well as classes in art, dance, robotics, coding and sports. A great way to spend the summer, make new friends and progress academically, Program fee: \$750, includes daily lunch, course materials and two T shirts. For more information, please contact Tracy Keelin, [tkeelin@scahs.org](mailto:tkeelin@scahs.org) or 718-882-2882, Ext. 122. Additional information is available at [www.scahs.org](http://www.scahs.org).

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**SAINT BARNABAS HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER ENRICHMENT ACADEMY (SEA)** is a 3-week program for girls in grade 6-8 who are interested in taking the Test for Admission into Catholic Schools (TACHS) exam. The program runs from July 1 – July 19 with English, Math, Reading, and TACHS preps in the morning and athletics, robotics, culinary arts, Greek & Latin and more in the afternoon. To learn more/enroll visit [www.stbarnabashigh.com](http://www.stbarnabashigh.com) or contact Anissa Osorio at [718-325-8800](tel:718-325-8800), or e mail [aosorio@stbarnabashigh.com](mailto:aosorio@stbarnabashigh.com).

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**SAINT BARNABAS HIGH SCHOOL IS ACCEPTING STUDENTS FOR FALL REGISTRATION** – To schedule a Shadow Day, contact [admissions@stbarnabashigh.com](mailto:admissions@stbarnabashigh.com).



**Prayer to End a School Year**

God of wisdom,  
we thank you  
for all the gifts you have given us  
throughout this school year.  
We praise you for giving us life,  
for saving us in Christ,  
and for choosing us to be your people.

As we come to the end of this school year,  
we voice our gratitude  
for the good things you have done in us,  
and we praise you for all who have shared  
in the work of this school.

We ask you to bless them in your love  
and give them refreshment and peace.  
We praise you, God,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns forever and ever.  
Amen.

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