

Saint Bartholomew's Church

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Rectory/Parish Office : (914) 965-0566
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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.

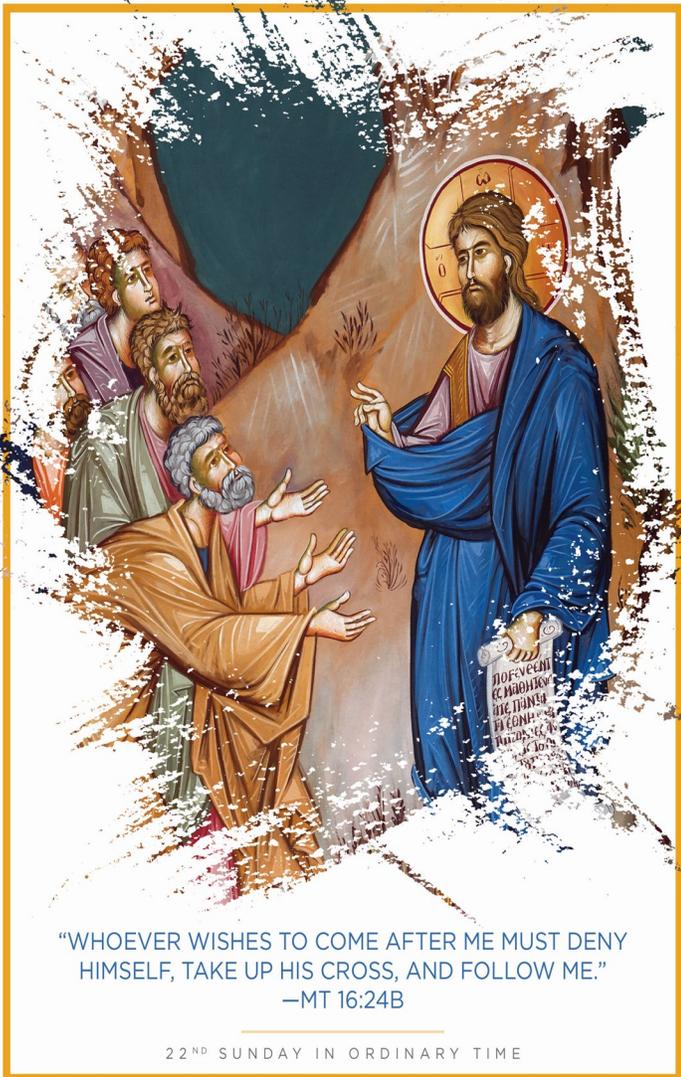
Parish Council: Meets on the Monday evening after the third Sunday of the month.

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



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.

PRIORITIZE AND FOLLOW CHRIST

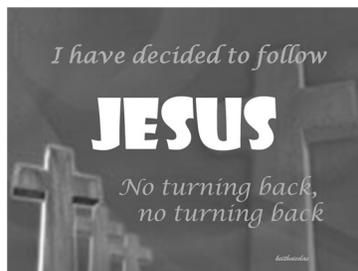


The journey we make through life is not easy. We often face trauma and tragedy that are unavoidable. Other times, we face trials and difficulties because we are determined to do the right thing. We may cry out to God as Jeremiah did, defeated by the Lord's will. Jeremiah came to realize that despite his hardships he could not run away. May we have the courage to continually respond to adversity and fear with the values we have learned from the Gospel, willing to accept

God's will and not our own.

Jesus taught us how to accept God's will. He had the power to avoid what He knew He must do. He had the power to fight back against the authorities. He had the power to provide a fairy-tale ending where He would be crowned and lauded in triumph over His opponents. But Jesus knew that the power He needed to defeat was not Pilate's or Herod's. So He followed the Father's will, united Himself to us in His suffering, and defeated death – stronger than any worldly enemy.

There's a little bit of Peter in each of us; easily agitated, ready to speak our minds without reflecting first. A few weeks ago he dared himself to walk on water, then thought better of it. Then he objects to the horrible things Jesus says will happen to him. He understands that the journey with Christ is challenging, but he can't accept that it involves violence and death. Jesus rebukes him, telling him he is thinking as humans do, not as God does. His disciples must carry their crosses despite their difficulty, despite the risk. Recall from last week that Peter's faith and impetuosity also led him to respond at once that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of God. May our faith in the Lord allow us to place our hope in the resurrection that is always before us.



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

In what ways do I find it difficult to deny my own desires, priorities, and will, to follow Christ? How can my faith in the resurrection ease my willingness to do so?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

HONORING GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY NEXT WEEKEND AT ALL THE MASSES

St. Bart's will be honoring and remembering grandparents and the elderly at all the Masses on NEXT Saturday, September 9th at the 5 pm and NEXT Sunday, September 10th at the 9:30 and 11 am, and 12:30 pm and 5:00 pm Masses. All grandparents, their children, grandchildren and the elderly are invited.

GRANDPARENTS
fill the world
with LOVE

Also please note if you haven't already, please sign the book of remembrance that is available at the rear of the church for you to list the names of your deceased or living grandparents. The signed book will be presented as an offertory gift at all masses for grandparents and the elderly, NEXT WEEKEND as a visual reminder of our dear loved ones.

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.



This Monday, September 4th is Labor Day. The Parish Office will be closed. There will be only one Mass that day at 9 a.m. For this week the Parish office will be open on Wednesday and Friday from 10 am to 2 pm.

THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE is donated in loving memory of Edyth, Leonard and Herbert Kurz.



FOOD PANTRY: *The food pantry can use rice, pasta, pasta sauces, tuna, dried beans, canned beans, macaroni and cheese and juices. May God bless you all for your generosity.*

Meals for a Soup Kitchen: The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans will be collected FOR SEPTEMBER on THIS Saturday, SEPTEMBER 2ND one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on NEXT Sunday SEPTEMBER 3RD, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses.



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 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.

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.



Rest in Peace

We pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Madeline Como.

THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S HAS

CHANGED AND 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

Seniors Monthly Gathering:

This Thursday, September 7TH at 12 p.m.

Movie Thursday, Thursday, September 21ST at 10 am
"Gianna Molla"

Contact Rich Califano if interested in joining!!!

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR
ORDINARY MOMENTS
The Vision of Stewardship**

I love the original movie *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*. All the way through while I watch the film I still laugh and feel like a child. It is only the last line with which I have an issue. Wonka by now has chosen Charlie to succeed him as head of the chocolate factory. They board an elevator that proceeds to crash through the roof and begins to fly. Wonka then asks Charlie if he ever heard of what happened to the boy who got everything he ever wanted. After Charlie says no, Wonka explains, "He lived happily ever after." As I get older, I can say I have met several people who got all or most of all they have ever wanted, but unlike Charlie, it did not lead to endless bliss. In fact, as a Christian I know that that statement of Wonka's is a lie. The secret to living happily ever after lies in not getting all you ever wanted, but instead in giving all you ever wanted away.

A person can't have any sense of that reality until they begin to see his or her life transformed by Jesus. When we have accepted the challenge placed before us and made a choice to live a certain way daily, we can find ourselves transformed. Following Jesus is not easy, but it is the only true way to find authentic joy. When we have emptied ourselves and allowed him to fill the open spaces in us, we become different. We are transformed and, if enough of us in a parish community experience the same journey, our parish is transformed as well. Then we begin to transform the world around us. Don't be fooled: A flying elevator is cool, but it pales in comparison to what can happen when we find a new life in Jesus Christ.

- Tracy Earl Welliver LPI

Each Year the Archdiocesan Office of the Propagation of the Faith sponsors the Missionary Cooperative Appeal. This year our Parish is pleased to welcome Sr. Martha Lopez who will speak to us on behalf of the Propagation of the Faith. Sr. Lopez will be with us at all the Masses next weekend, September 9th and 10th. She will speak to us about the many challenges missionaries face daily which we might take for granted. The second collection at each Mass next weekend will be sent to the Propagation of the Faith office to support the needs of the mission Dioceses and Religious Communities. Evangelization is at the heart of the Church's mission throughout the world, and we ask you to be as generous as your means allow in next week's second collection.

**PLEASE!!
NOTE**



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

August 20TH

Sunday collection: \$2,453.00

On Line giving: \$1,200.00

Total: \$3,653.00

**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, and Richard Romanowski.

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.

September 3, 2023

Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, September 2 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

**Sunday, September 3
Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Emily LaValle +
11:00 AM Steven Fitzpatrick +
12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish
5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

Monday, September 4—Labor Day

Weekday

9:00 AM Luigi & Marie Martucci +
Angelina Brusco +

Tuesday, September 5

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Edyth, Leonard & Herbert Kurz +

Wednesday, September 6

Weekday

7:00 AM Cecilia Adeyemi (Living)
9:00 AM Mary & Nicholas Maccia +

Thursday, September 7

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Charity Ubawike +

Friday, September 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Eugene Ubawike, Jr. +

Saturday, September 9

Saint Peter Claver, Priest

9:00 AM No Intention

Saturday, September 9 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Andrew Tacyn +

**Sunday, September 10
Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name and
Rosary Altar Societies
Oscar Starkenberg +
11:00 AM Joseph T. Pasqualoni III + &
Lucille & Samuel Garafola +
12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish
5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

September 3, 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

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

