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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors,
Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all
that you vow.” - Mt 5:33

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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
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

LET THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDE YOU

We may have learned the commandments by heart when we were in school, but as the psalmist says, what is more important is to keep them with all your heart. Taking them to heart means going beyond the letter of the law, for you have internalized their guidance. The heart is regarded as the seat of human emotion, especially— as the celebration of Valentine's Day this past Friday reminded us of love. As Jesus will say later in Matthew, all of the law and the prophets proceed from the two greatest commandments: love the Lord your God with all your heart and love your neighbor as yourself.



Saint Paul tells us that we have a huge advantage over anyone who lived before him, for we have the guidance of the Holy Spirit. The scripture quote he uses is from Isaiah, and though it may still be true that "eye has not seen, and ear has not heard," it has been revealed to us through the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:9, quoting Isaiah 64:3) The Spirit can guide us in following the way of the Lord even if we cannot see or hear it.



Jesus addresses the fifth commandment by teaching His disciples how dangerous anger is. Left unresolved, it can cause resentment and lead to the death of a relationship. Jesus insists that we make the reconciliation of the relationship the highest priority, even higher than one's relationship with God. "Go first and be reconciled with your brother (or sister), and then come and offer your gift (Matthew 5:24).

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: With whom do I need to reconcile? How can the Holy Spirit guide me in doing the right thing?

Blessings

Father Raphael

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 26th. Just a note about Masses and Services:

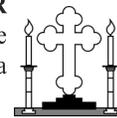


- 7 a.m. Mass with Ashes*
- 9 a.m. Mass with Ashes*
- 12 Noon Mass with Ashes*
- 4 p.m. Short Prayer Service with Ashes*
- 6 p.m. Short Prayer Service with Ashes*
- 7 p.m. Mass with Ashes*

PARISH NEWS



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in loving memory of Walter Zigabarra by Lorraine Zigabarra.



PRESIDENT'S DAY: This Monday, February 17th is President's Day, a legal holiday. **THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED AND THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE MASS AT 9 A.M.**

Parish Pastoral Council: The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will meet this Monday, February 17th, at 7:00 pm in the school building. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting.



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.

The 2020 Mass Book is open with some dates available. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in your 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.



NOTE: The 2021 Mass book will open on Wednesday, February 26th (Ash Wednesday) after the 9 a.m. Mass

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Youth Week, February 16th to February 21st

Sun.: 2/16-Youth Group Meeting, dinner, games & discussions (6 p.m. TO 8 p.m.)

Mon.: 2/17 - 9 a.m. Mass and group discussion with the Sisters of Life & lunch (day ends at 3 p.m.)

Tues.: 2/18 - 9 a.m. Mass, light breakfast, trip to Museum of the City of New York, lunch & afternoon movie (day ends at 6 p.m.)

Wed.: 2/19 - 11:30 a.m. bowling at Homefield Bowl (day ends at 2 p.m.)

Thurs.: 2/20 - 9 a.m. Mass, breakfast with 'St. Bart's Seniors Group', discussions, lunch & afternoon movie. (day ends at 4 p.m.)

Fri.: 2/21 - Open gym, pizza & Evangelization (5 p.m. to 9 p.m.)



Youth, come join us for a spiritual and fun week of many activities!!

Our YOUTH GROUP meets in the school building on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass.

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.

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

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

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, NY. Their next meeting is this Thursday, February 20th. For more information, please call 914 423-5331. New members are welcome.

Consider Adoption, what better way is there to respect life in all of its stages than by adopting a homeless child. Be the light in the darkness for them. If there is room in your heart, consider adoption. Contact Downey Side Adoption at: c/o Grace Episcopal Church, 33 Church Street, White Plains, NY 10601, 212 714-2200, Kimberly Frink.

Women's Spirituality Retreat, April 3-5

Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point, NJ Join with other women in an exploration of our own story and stories of women in faith. Come alone, or with a relative or friend. A team of women has prepared this weekend of rest and renewal. The Eucharist, prayer experiences, beach waks, socials and fun are included. Cost is \$140 per person. Call 609 884-3829 or visit www.capemaymarianists.org.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

February 9, 2020- Tithing

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Rows: Envelopes \$5,418.15, Online \$ 695.00, Total \$6,113.15

The Second Collection for Peter's Pence totaled: \$887.50

"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).



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.

February 16, 2020

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Saturday, February 15 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Robert & Lillian Kurtz +

Sunday, February 16, 2020

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Luigi Lucchetti +

10:00 AM Matthew Lombardo +

11:30 AM Patrick V. Fox +

5:00 PM Gaetano Taormina +

Monday, February 17– President’s Day

Weekday

9:00 AM Rosalie & Isadore Heit +

Tuesday, February 18

Weekday

7:00 AM Adora Thela +

9:00 AM Carmine & Margaret Maccia +

Wednesday, February 19

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Mary Esposito +

Thursday, February 20

Weekday

7:00 AM Deceased Mem. of Depole & Faranda Families

9:00 AM Michael Califano +

Friday, February 21

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Michael Califano +

Saturday, February 22

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

9:00 AM Michael Califano +

Saturday, February 22 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Charles Sullivan +

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Lucyanne Caruso +

10:00 AM Michael Castignozzi & Mary Ann Karpinski +

11:30 AM Matthew Lombardo +

5:00 PM Antonio Vitullo & Carmela & Nicola Antonio

Romagnoli +

February 16, 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.