

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. Mark Ameh, MSP, Pastor
Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Office Manager
Cheryl Duda, Religious Education Coordinator
Dayle Vander Sande Music Director

Rectory/Parish Office : (914) 965-0566
Religious Education Office: (914) 476-6676

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

THANK YOUR MOTHER TODAY



The first reading is a significant one, for it is an account of Saint Paul's very first apostolic mission. Up until then, Paul was still called Saul, his given name. To the Jewish authorities, Paul was already a traitor and an enemy. Now he was welcoming Gentiles to the area around the synagogue on the Sabbath. No wonder they were upset. But Paul did not return their incitement and persecution with confrontation or violence. He and Barnabas converted and baptized many Gentiles, then

shook the dust from their feet and traveled elsewhere. It may well be that this first missionary experience of his led to the peripatetic life Paul chose to live.

On Mother's Day, we honor our mothers and those who have cared for us with a mother's love. From before we can even remember, they held us, fed us, changed us, and guided our footsteps as we learned to walk. Year after year, they cared for us, binding our wounds and encouraging our efforts. Throughout our lives, they have shepherded us. When we think of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, we may think of our mothers, holding us gently in her arms or by the hand, rescuing us when we were lost, willing to lay down her life for us. May this confluence of Mother's Day and Good Shepherd Sunday help us link the love we are given by both.

Around Christmas and Easter, parents of young children who question why there are so many Santa Clauses, or Easter bunnies at shopping malls often tell them that the real Santa Claus and Easter bunny need lots of helpers to deliver so many presents and goodies. In a similar way, we can think of our mothers and grandmothers and all those who show a mother's love as emissaries of the Good Shepherd, deputized to be good shepherds in may loving ways on behalf of the one true Good Shepherd.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How has my mother (or mother figure) been a good shepherd for me? Make sure to thank her today.

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** that are in the front of the altar and on each side of the tabernacle for this week are donated by the **First Communion Class** in honor and memory of their living and deceased family members and friends.



The Crowning of the Blessed Mother will take place this Tuesday, May 13th, at 6:45 pm in the Church. The Religious Education children will have an active role in this ceremony. Religious Education parents—after you drop your children off at school, please join us in the Church at 6:45 pm.

Everyone in the Parish is also welcome!!

Don't forget to join us for our **NEXT BINGO** on Friday May 30th. Doors open at 6 pm and games begin at 7 pm. Please join us!!



Prayer to the Good Shepherd

Beloved Shepherd,

You guide in a way often beyond my understanding.

You lead to paths yet undiscovered.

Keep me in Your care, as together we seek green pastures and still waters. Amen.

PARISH NEWS

THE NORMAL 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 Margaret T. Maccia by Karen and John McKenna.

Registration is open for next year's Religious Education classes.

Children who will be entering first grade this September or are currently in grade school through high school are eligible to enroll.

Also we offer programs for any adults who have not made communion and confirmation



Religious Education

Please call Cheryl Duda in the Religious Education Office. Her number is on the front of the bulletin.

PLEASE!!
NOTE

Any couple who is not married in the Church and who wishes to have their Marriage blessed in the Church, please call the Parish Office to make an appointment to discuss with Fr. Mark.

Fr. Mark and the Parish staff wish all of our mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and all those who take on the role of mother a very Happy Mother's Day.

May God bless all the mothers of our Parish on this very special day!. In this month of May, set aside time for a special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Mother. We ask for her intercession and protection for all our Mothers. We also pray for our deceased Mothers, that they may rest in peace.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
SAVE THE DATE

Golden Jubilee Mass

Sunday, June 1, 2025 at 2:30 PM

Saint Patrick's Cathedral

His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan
Celebrant



The Golden Jubilee Mass is for couples celebrating 50 years of marriage during 2025.

All those who wish to attend need to contact their parish office to register.

Pews will be reserved for Golden Jubilee couples only. Up to four (4) additional family and friends will be accommodated in pews outside of the reserved section in general seating.

All Golden Jubilee couples will receive a commemorative certificate. Couples who are unable to attend Mass can request a certificate through their parish.

REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE ON **THIS MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025 AT 5:00 PM**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S

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

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR
ORDINARY MOMENTS

Reluctant Sheep

Sheep get an awfully bad rap, linguistically. Some are quick to label people as "sheep" if we think they haven't sufficiently questioned authority or if they're too willing to go along with someone else's plan. We say someone has "the wool over their eyes" if they aren't willing to see what we think is very obvious. "A wolf in sheep's clothing" is what we call someone looking to take advantage of those too gullible to identify a real threat.

Taking all this into account and considering how often we are referred to as sheep in Scripture, you've really got to wonder if God trying to tell us something about ourselves.

If you look at the phraseology associated with sheep, it's no wonder that nobody *wants* to be one. Sheep are innocent. Sheep can't protect themselves. They're vulnerable and easily misled.

We want to see ourselves as the opposite of all that. We like to think we're shrewd, with plenty of common sense. We want to believe that we don't have to rely on anybody for anything. We would sooner identify with the wolf than with the sheep — at least the wolf can take care of himself.

We do this because we often resist the need to rest in the greatness of God. Like a child walking to school alone for the first time (forgetting his mom is following watchfully in the car), we want to think we can handle it all by ourselves.

The truth is that God *is* trying to tell us something by comparing us to sheep: *You don't have to do this on your own.*

Every time I look at an obstacle and think that there is no way around it, I am forgetting that I have a shepherd who knows the location of the gate.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI

A **Memorial Mass** will be held at Mount Hope Cemetery on Saturday, May 17th, at 12:30 pm for all of our loved ones laid to rest in Mount Hope. Mass will be celebrated by the Reverend Father Douglas Crawford, Pastor of the Roman Catholic Church of St. Matthew, Hastings –on-Hudson and Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will meet on Thurs, May 15th, at 12:30pm, St. Ann's Church, Fr. Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers.

A representative from the Westchester County Department of Transportation will speak about services available for seniors. Also, we are collecting infant and toddler goods for YCAP. For more information please call: 914 423-5331.



STEWARDSHIP

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 27, 2025

Sunday collection: \$3,544.00

On Line giving: \$1,018.00

Total \$4,562.00

Easter Collection totaled: \$10,053.73

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.



LORD
give strength
to your people

Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Richard (Dick) Novak, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Ellen Chimenti, Gianna Whitehead, Dan Panik, Dominick Francis Marra, Edward Minozzi, Robert Minnucci, Lucia Seivas, 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, Patricia Nieman, Richard Romanowski, Salvador Aviles, Judy Hanrahan, Theresa Liuzzi, Barbara Olivieri, Samuel Olivieri, Michael & Joseph Diaz (twin babies), Rosaria Mercandetti, Tom Swetz, Joanne Pragana, Martha Cesaitis, and Ronald Pietropaolo..

Please call 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.

Dear Lord, Bless every mother and every grandmother with the finest of your spiritual blessings today. Confirm in her heart and spirit the work of her hands and the love that she has so freely given to those children under Your care.

Amen!

May 11, 2025

Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, May 10

5:00 PM Margaret T. Maccia +

Sunday, May 11
Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:30AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name
And Rosary Altar Societies

11:00 AM John Nieman +
Rosalie & Isadore Heit+

12:30 PM Novena for Our Living and Deceased Mothers
Eleonora Caballero & Edgar Cortes Caballero +

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Monday May 12
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM No Intention

Tuesday, May 13
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

6:45 PM Crowning of our Blessed Mother

Wednesday, May 14
Saint Mathias, Apostle

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM Megha, Bins Mathew & Mathews (Living)
(prayer for strengthened faith and to be filled
with the Holy Spirit)

Thursday, May 15
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM No Intention

Friday, May 16
Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

9:00 AM No Intention

Saturday, May 17
Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers

Saturday Vigil, May 17

5:00 PM Andrew Tacyn +

Sunday, May 18
Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:30AM Novena for our Living & Deceased Mothers

11:00 AM Steven Fitzpatrick & Jane Esposito +
Patricia & Gerard Hickey +

12:30 PM Rosa Villacis

5:00 PM Madeline Como +

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

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

