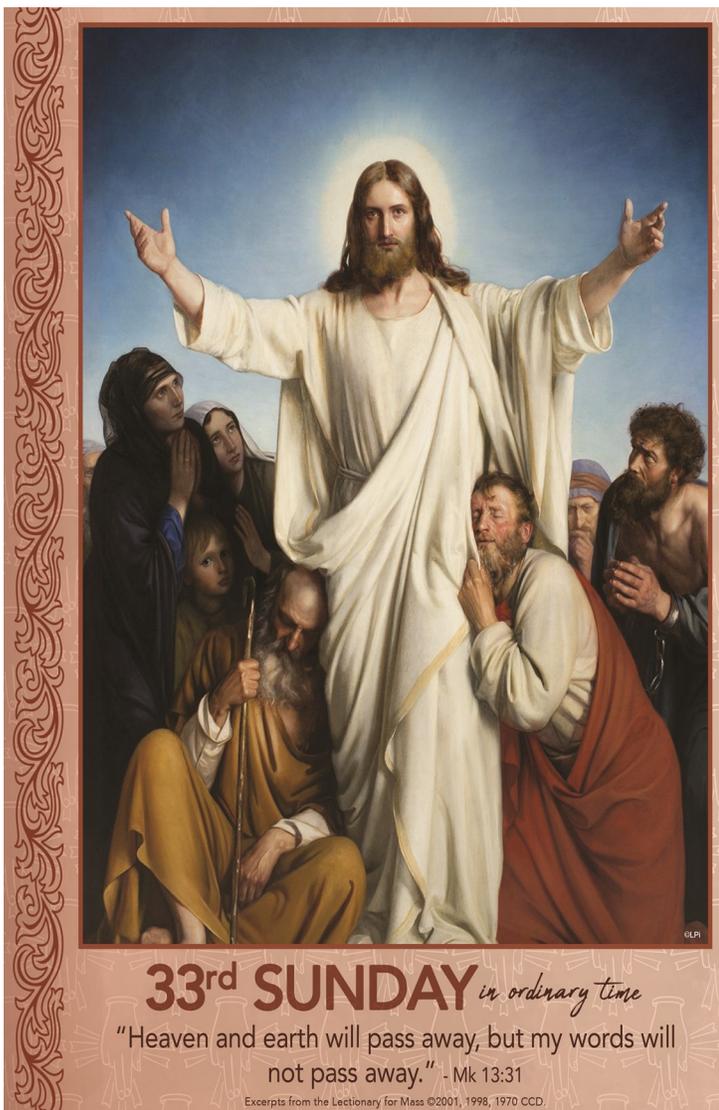


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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and 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

When is Justice Found?

When and how can we find justice? Is justice only achieved after death and through the judgment of God? Or can we find justice here and now, in ethical decisions and moral victories? In describing his apocalyptic vision, Daniel closes by saying, "those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever" (Daniel 12:3). Those who work for justice may not achieve it, but they will remain forever a beacon for those who follow. Justice may not be found here and now, but working for it and leading others to it are rewarded in Daniel's revelation.

Amid the darkness and distress at the end of time, both Jesus and Daniel promise reward for those whom God has chosen. Daniel says that those who are "written in the book" shall escape. Jesus tells the disciples that the "elect" will be gathered by the angels. As destructive as the end times will be, God remains stronger than any force overcoming the earth, able to rescue all those who have been found worthy.

We cannot know when the world will end, just as we do not know when our own worldly end will arrive. Therefore, we must always be ready. But we can be consoled in the redemptive sacrifice that Jesus made on the cross. As we heard in Hebrews, those who are made holy are made perfect forever. Jesus has enabled us to be worthy of being gathered by God at the end of time.

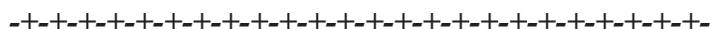
QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How does not knowing when the end will come change the way I live my life?

Wishing all in our parish and community a blessed Thanksgiving.

Blessings!!

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP



God, sometimes life gets me down and I find it hard to see things to be thankful for. Open my eyes to see the gifts You've given me in my life. I'm going to start by thanking You for loving me enough to come to earth and die so we can live together forever. Amen."

Wendy van Eyck

PARISH NEWS



Parish Pastoral Council: The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will meet this Monday, November 19th, at 7:00 pm in McManus Center. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially, Deacon Orlindo da Costa



This Thursday, November 22nd is Thanksgiving Day. There will be only one Mass at 10 a.m. All parishioners are encouraged to come and give thanks to God for all His blessings at the annual Thanksgiving Day Mass. **The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 22nd and 23rd. On Friday, November 23rd, there will be only one Mass at 9 a.m.**

THANKSGIVING SHARING TABLE

It has been the custom at our Parish for those attending the 10 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Mass to bring something for our Sharing Table. Typically this would be along the lines of a pie, special bread, a favorite dessert, candy, or flowers. At the end of Mass all items on the table are blessed and all are welcome to choose an item to add to their holiday table, thus sharing our meal with our Parish family.



A special Thank You to all who donated eyeglasses to support the efforts of our Religious Education Program along with the Lions Club. These glasses were sent to people in need in developing countries. Thanks for your generosity.

SOCIAL MINISTRY—Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

In coordination with the social ministry group, the Religious Education students have placed Thanksgiving bags at the rear of the church. You can still place your donated items such as **Thanksgiving appropriate, non-perishable fixings** especially canned vegetables, canned sweet potatoes, canned fruit, boxed mashed potatoes, coffee, tea, and juices, etc. and return them to the Church no later than Monday, November 19th by 10 a.m. We will be in need of some frozen turkeys, fresh/frozen pies, or fruit, this Saturday and Sunday November 17th and 18th. We can only accept pies or turkeys at the lower level of the Rectory before each Mass this Saturday night/Sunday or on Monday morning (November 19th) between 7:30 and 9 a.m. for distribution on Monday morning. Thank you for you generosity!!!



A special thank you to all who volunteered and for those who joined us for our very first Pocketbook Bingo. It was a great success and a fun time was had by all. Stay tuned for another one to come in the future!!

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

DECEMBER



Saturday, December 1st, Our Lady Of Guadalupe Celebration, Mass at 9 a.m. followed by light breakfast and celebration in McManus Parish Center

Sunday, December 2nd, Breakfast with Santa after the 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses in McManus Parish Center.

Wednesday, December 12th, Mass at 5:30 p.m. in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe followed by FREE dinner in McManus Center.

Saturday, December 15th, Annual Christmas Luncheon, from 12 Noon to 4 p.m. in McManus Parish Center

Sunday, December 16th, at 2 p.m. and **Tuesday, December 18th** at 6:30 p.m., **The Nativity Play in the Church** presented by St. Bart's Parishioners

Monday, December 17th, Reconciliation Monday

JOIN THE CAST FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PLAY

Be a part of the presentation of The Nativity, our Christmas Play. Let the actor in you come out!!!! Join your fellow parishioners!!!!

It's not too late to join in. There are some parts left, don't be shy! Rehearsal is this Sunday, November 18th at 2 p.m. in the Church or call the Parish Office for more details.



Save the Date



The women of the Parish are invited to join the members of the Rosary Altar Society on **Monday, December 3rd** for their annual Christmas dinner. Details to follow in upcoming weeks.

BLOOD DRIVE

St Bart's will be conducting the 91st blood drive in the 37 years since starting in 1981 on THIS Friday, November 23rd, at the McManus Parish Center from 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. **St Bart's parishioners and friends have made 6825 donations to date.** 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. **If you can donate, please call Tony Sciacca @ 914 423-3592 for an appointment and tell your family and friends too.**



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!!!! **(WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY)**



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

Amount Needed Weekly	\$7,000.00
Actual Received Last Sunday	\$5,493.30
Balance	- \$1,506.70
*(Envelopes \$5048.30, Online 445.00)	

Amount Needed for Month of November	\$28,000.00
Amount Collected Thus Far	\$11,471.05

"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 information sheet received in the mail.



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Marian Fletcher, Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Joseph Mahoney, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Theresa Venturino, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Larry Vandak, Lou De Muro, Harold Sullivan, Clare Yaskovic, Manuel Obalde, Jr., and Bernie Tracey.

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



Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building.. **Their next meeting is this Sunday, November 18th for their Annual Thanksgiving Celebration and Feast.**

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. **Their next meeting is Sunday, December 9th.**

Our **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10)** meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building. **Their next meeting is Friday, December 21st.**

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 17 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Mary & Joseph Cuzzo +

Sunday, November 18, 2018

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Michael & Loretta Kennedy +
10:00 AM Deceased Members Of Del Bene & Salerno families
11:30 AM Rita & Edward Hoffmeister +
5:00 PM For All the People Of Our Parish

Monday, November 19

Weekday

7:00 AM Anthony Romanowski +
9:00 AM Eileen Fitzpatrick +

Tuesday, November 20

Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph Mahoney +
9:00 AM Leonard Kurz (Living)

Wednesday, November 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM Ron +
9:00 AM Kathie Foley +

Thursday, November 22—Thanksgiving

Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

10:00 AM For All The People Of Our Parish

Friday, November 23

Weekday

9:00 AM Carmine & Margaret Maccia +

Saturday, November 24

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 AM Anthony Prunella, Jr. +

Saturday, November 24 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Albert Pragana +

Sunday, November 25, 2018

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:30 AM Adolf Steffens +
10:00 AM Maura Cecilia Pereyra +
11:30 AM Anna & Anthony Faracco +
5:00 PM Edward & Donata Vitullo +

November 18, 2018

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

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 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: _____

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.

Thank you for all the graces and blessings You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal, our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our family and friends.

Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother.
Amen

