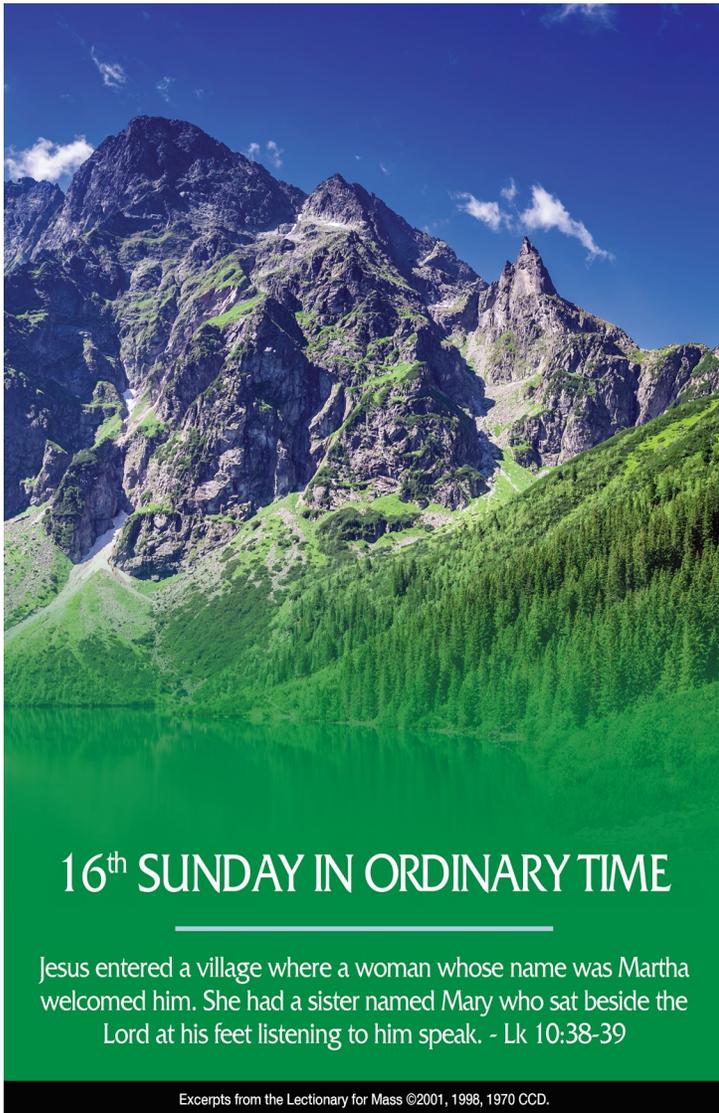


# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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

LISTEN AND SERVE

It is the kind of story that everyone loves to hear; an ordinary person treats a stranger kindly and the stranger turns out to be someone extraordinary. A waitress receives a thousand-dollar tip from a plainly dressed customer. A taxi driver helps a stranger whose car broke down and the stranger turns out to be someone famous. In today's first reading, Abraham plays the role of the humble host, accommodating three strangers during a hot afternoon in the desert. He and Sarah go over and above in serving them—freshly baked rolls, a choice steer, curds and milk—much more than they could be expected to do. At the end of the story the strangers reveal themselves to be much more than three wandering travelers. It is the Lord, come to Abraham in the form of a humble guest.

Jesus comes to Martha and Mary as a guest as well, through they know who He is from the start. Last week we heard the story of the good Samaritan, prefaced to inheriting eternal life. In Martha and Mary we see both of these commandments followed. Martha shows love of neighbor in the way that she serves their guest. Mary shows love of God in the way that she sat with Jesus and listened to every word He spoke. In the way that they treat the guest in their home, they do everything the Lord asks of us.

Saint Paul reminds us that in his day it is the Gentiles who play the role of the humble host. Christ finds a home among those who were thought to be inferior. In turn, the Gentiles carry Christianity to the ends of the earth.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Do I act differently around strangers who look important and ones who don't? Do I treat others with kindness, whether listening or serving?

*Blessings*

*Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP*



We welcome Monsignor John Kennedy who has been with us for a very short visit this past week. We love having you back and wish you could stay with us longer!!



PARISH NEWS



The FLOWERS IN FRONT OF THE BLESSED MOTHER AND SAINT ANTHONY, BREAD AND WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP AND ALTAR CANDLES are donated in loving memory of Gabriel Nanoia by Lou and Angela Brusco



**FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Register now for next year's Religious Education program. PLEASE NOTE: Next Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, registration forms will be available after the morning Masses to register new children in the Religious Education Program.** In order to register, children must be, at a minimum, entering first grade in September. Classes are held during the school year on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please call the Religious Education Office. The phone number is located on the front of our Sunday bulletin. **Parents of children who attended last year and did not yet submit a re-registration form may also do so at this time.**



Religious Education

WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC OR LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

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.



Do you recognize yourself in any of these statements?

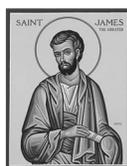
- ◆ I have never been baptized and want to learn more about the Catholic Faith.
- ◆ I was baptized in another Christian religion and now wish to become Catholic.
- ◆ I was baptized Catholic, but have not received any other Sacraments and little if any religious instruction.
- ◆ I am married to a Catholic and attend Mass and would like to receive the Sacraments.

Please contact Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676 if you or somebody you know might be interested in the program.

THE FOOD PANTRY is in need of canned vegetables and canned fruit. Thank you for your support.



PRAYER TO ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE  
Feast Day, July 25<sup>th</sup>



O glorious Apostle, St. James, who by reason of thy fervent and generous heart was chosen by Jesus to be a witness of His glory on Mount Tabor, and of His agony in Gethsemane;

Thou, whose very name is a symbol of warfare and victory: obtain for us strength and consolation in the unending warfare of this life, that, having constantly and generously followed Jesus, we may be victors in the strife and deserve to receive the victor's crown in heaven. Amen

PARISH EVENTS



SATURDAY, AUGUST 3RD, FR. ANTHONY MBANEFO'S GOING AWAY POT LUCK DINNER PARTY. PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH OR CALL THE PARISH OFFICE. COME AND JOIN US, MAKE YOUR FAVORITE DISH OR MONETARY DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 24TH, BLOCK PARTY, CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST DAY OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW. MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW. WE WILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH SET UP, DURING THE PARTY AND CLEAN UP AFTER.

2019 and 2020 MASS BOOK

The 2019 Mass book still has a few Masses available and the 2020 Book is also open with dates available. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in our 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.



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

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Held after the 9 a.m. Mass on Mondays.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Join your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary after the 9 a.m. Mass on weekdays and Saturdays.



EUCHARISTIC 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.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING Sunday Collection Update

July 14, 2019- Tithing

Table with 2 columns: Category (Envelopes, Online, Total) and Amount (\$5,075.15, \$ 630.00, \$ 5,705.15)

"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!

The second collection for Black and Indian Missions totaled: \$897.00.

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.

As you plan and enjoy your summer vacations, please do not forget your financial obligations to our Parish. God bless and keep you all!!!



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 Lutomski, 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, and Kenneth Chappory.

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 Giovanni De Feo.

July 21, 2019

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*Mass for the  
Intentions Week*

**Saturday, July 20 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Dec. Members Of Venturino & Martucci families  
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**Sunday, July 21, 2019**

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM Dr. Louis Loscalzo +  
10:00 AM Dennis Madonia & Mary Gregorio +  
11:30 AM For All the People of our Parish  
5:00 PM Barbara Ann Gulli Mangone +  
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**Monday, July 22**

**Saint Mary Magdalene**

7:00 AM Walter Kucharczyk (Living)  
9:00 AM Arceli Samarita (Living)

**Tuesday, July 23**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Di Paolo & Family (Living)  
9:00 AM Benjamin & Corazon Sotto +

**Wednesday, July 24**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Suor Maria Cira +  
9:00 AM Joan Mole +

**Thursday, July 25**

**Saint James, Apostle**

7:00 AM Gabriel Nanoia +  
9:00 AM Maria & Gerardo Marchetti +

**Friday, July 26**

**Saints Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Kathleen Millen +

**Saturday, July 27**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Michael Daly +  
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**Saturday, July 27 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Timothy O'Sullivan +  
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**Sunday, July 28, 2019**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM Oscar Starckenberg +  
10:00 AM Rose & Charles Boehm +  
11:30 AM Dorothy La Monica +  
5:00 PM For All the People of our Parish

**July 21, 2019**

**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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registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor 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 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.

To all of the Donors: St. Bart's and Hudson Valley Blood Services express sincere appreciation to the 56 donors and 9 adult volunteers who came down to our 93<sup>rd</sup> Blood Drive on 7/5/19 to donate 55 pints. Since 1981, St Bart's blood drives have collected 7,035 units of blood. Once again, Hudson Valley Blood Services can depend on St. Bart's friends and parishioners to understand the need for blood, particularly during critical times of shortage. 4 donors gave a double red cell donation using the ALYX system. 47 donors gave a regular donation, 5 donors were deferred for various reasons. There were 6 new donors and 13 walk-ins. 19 prospective donors had signed up but were not able to attend. These 19 prospective donors and anyone else who is interested can make an appointment to donate at their convenience by calling HVBS at 800-933-2566. If you wish, ask to credit your donation to St. Bart's group # 7747. We have tentatively scheduled our next drive for the day after Thanksgiving **FRIDAY, November 29, 2019** and look forward to continuing this much needed community service.



**Once again, thanks to all!! Anthony Sciacca, Chairperson**