

# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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**30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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**LOVE**

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**"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." - Mt 22:36-37**

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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  
Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Administrative Assistant  
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);  
9:30 (also live streamed) and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday  
Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. (also live streamed) Monday through Friday;  
9:00 a.m. Saturday (also live streamed)

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: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

The Lord has ears for everyone's prayers, but the reading from Exodus emphasizes God's attentiveness to the pleas of those most in need. The Lord surely hears the cry of the wronged widow and orphan, the alien and the debtor. They are some of the most disadvantaged and vulnerable in society, then and now. The Chosen People had recently lived in subjection in Egypt. They definitely should be able to empathize with those who suffer a similar sort of plight now, those who are dependent on the mercy and goodness of others.



"You are once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt," the Lord said to the Israelites (Exodus 22:20). We may be aliens ourselves in the country in which we live, or perhaps we were once. Perhaps we have never had the experience of calling a new country home, but probably our parents, grandparents, or great-grandparents did. Very few of us do not have an ancestor who was once an alien here. Therefore, even if we were never aliens ourselves, a line can be drawn to our forebears who were.

Jesus' response to the lawyer echoes Jewish thought in the rabbinical circles of the time, so in that sense he has passed the test. Significantly, he says that "the second (commandment) is like it" (Matthew 22:39). The two commandments, love of God and love of neighbor, are interrelated. Since we are all made in the image of God, and since we are called to love God with our whole being, loving our neighbor—and ourselves - is loving God.



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

In what ways am I a model for other believers, as the Thessalonians were? What can I do to model the greatest commandments to others?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

This Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, you will be able to receive Holy Communion in the parking lot at 12:30 pm (this is a test and is geared mostly for our seniors).

**FOR THE WEEKEND MASSES, THE SATURDAY MASS AT 5 PM AND THE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:30, WILL BE SAID FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH.**

**THIS SUNDAY MASS, October 25<sup>th</sup>, AT 9:30 WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:**

**DECEASED:**

- Fiore Brusco & Gloria Brusco Flanagan +
- Carl Laredo +
- Patrick V. Fox +
- Angelica Perez +

**MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S ETERNAL PEACE**

# 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.



The ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD & WINE, ALTAR CANDLES & SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in loving memory of Fiore Brusco and Gloria Brusco Flanagan by Angela Brusco.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:**

We are still accepting registrations for this year's Religious Education program NOW. All classes in this program will be remote. **Please call Cheryl Duda immediately at 914 476-6676 if you want to register your child for this program.** Hopefully by now everyone has picked up their access code and book for the year and have followed the instructions given for logging in the first time into google classroom. All assignments will be posted on Tuesday mornings at 8 a.m. and must be completed and submitted by Sunday evening at 10 p.m.. Payment for the classes can be made by going to our parish website, [saintbartparish.org](http://saintbartparish.org), and clicking on the We Share online giving link then scrolling down to 2020-2021 Religious Education registration fees. Hit submit payment, twice and it will bring you to payment screen. Make your payment and fill out the appropriate information.



Please note: If anyone drinks Wyler or Crystal Light Lemonade or Iced Tea, please save the empty clean containers and drop them off in the food collection box at the rear of the church.  
Thank you!!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following children who made their First Holy Communion last weekend and we welcome them to the Table of our Lord:

- Travon Dowdy
- Justin Ruiz
- Joshua Soto Gallardo

**COMMUNION PRAYER**

Dear God, I know that You give me many gifts.  
The gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ in Holy Communion  
is the greatest of all. How can I ever thank You enough for this special gift?

At Mass we are called to be like Jesus, by loving and serving one another in the world.

As I become more like Him, please continue to help me.

Show me the places and ways that

I can bring Your love, kindness, and peace

to others. in my family, in my neighborhood, in my community, and with my friends.

I ask this in Jesus' name. Amen



Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Fr. Francis Ighorurhie, MSP and Rose Marie Mitchell.



**Rest in Peace**

**THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S IS AS FOLLOWS:**

**MASSES MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7 AM AND 9 AM (9 AM MASS LIVE STREAMED ALSO FOR THOSE AT HOME)**

**SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME)**

**SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM**

**SUNDAY MASSES AT 9:30 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME) AND 11:30 AM.**

**WHEN ATTENDING MASS, PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN YOUR NAME ON THE SIGN UP SHEETS ON THE TABLE AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.**

**\*\*\*\*CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM\*\*\*\***

**ALL SOULS DAY**

**NOVENA MASSES FOR ALL SOULS DAY**

Next Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, is All Souls Day. We will have a 9 day Novena of Masses for all our departed loved ones beginning on Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> through Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. If you would like your loved ones to be remembered at these Masses, kindly fill out the "All Souls" envelope found in your envelope packet or on the tables at the rear of the Church, include your stipend, and drop it in the Collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office during the week, on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



**ALSO PLEASE NOTE** that every year, St. Bartholomew's Parish remembers deceased parishioners or a deceased family member in a memorial placed in the church from November 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup>. This year, everyone is invited to participate in this memorial to include non-parishioners. Please send a framed picture with the deceased's full name, date of birth and date of death on or before October 28<sup>th</sup>. You can drop the picture at the Parish Office and leave it with Karen, on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you cannot or do not wish to leave a photo, you can also supply us with the information only (name, etc. of deceased). If you have any questions please contact the Parish Office Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**FOOD PANTRY:** *The food pantry is now open. We can use corn, string beans, canned tuna, juice, and canned fruit.*

**YOU CAN DROP OFF YOUR FOOD DONATIONS IN THE BOXES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.**

**\*\*\*\*Also, if you would like to make cash donations, you can do so. We use the cash donations to purchase Shoprite gift cards and have already given out some to a few families.**

**May God bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.**

**OUTREACH—Annual Thanksgiving Basket Food Drive**  
The Social Ministry group is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive.  
**Suggested Shopping List for Baskets:**

Boxed mashed potatoes, boxed scalloped potatoes, canned yams/sweet potatoes, canned vegetables, canned corn, canned green beans, stuffing mix, turkey gravy, olives, crackers, canned fruit, dried fruit and nuts, marshmallows, juice, apple cider, brownie mix, cake mix and frosting, cookies, candy, coffee, tea, and holiday napkins, plates and cups.



**THE COLLECTION WILL BE FROM NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> UNTIL NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>. BASKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED NOV. 23<sup>RD</sup>.**

**FROZEN ITEMS OR FRESH FOODS SUCH AS TURKEYS, PIES ETC. CAN BE DROPPED OFF BEFORE ALL MASSES ON NOVEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> AND NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>.**

*Beginning on November 1<sup>st</sup>, bags will be placed at the rear of the church. You can pick up a bag and then put your donated "Thanksgiving items" in these bags. Thank you for your generosity!!!*



**TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing. Program. **We need your financial support especially at this difficult time.**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME, YOU CAN TITHE IN 3 WAYS:**

- Mail in your envelope.
- Register for on line giving. **IT'S EASY!** (see below note).
- Drop off your envelope in the large container covered with a red cloth behind the organ. It is marked with a sign.

**May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought and sign up for on line giving. Thank you!**

**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](http://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](mailto:stbartschurch@aol.com).



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, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, 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, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy, Dan Panik, Dominick Francis Marra and Walter Duda.

**Please contact the Parish Office and leave a message or e mail us at [stbartschurch@aol.com](mailto:stbartschurch@aol.com), if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.**

**The Knights of Columbus will be at St. Bartholomew's this weekend after the Masses (October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>). Support them by taking a chance and buying a raffle ticket(s). You may be lucky!!!!**



October 25, 2020

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Mass  for the  
Intentions Week

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**Saturday, October 24 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

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**Sunday, October 25, 2020**

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Fiore Brusco & Gloria Brusco Flanagan +  
Carl Laredo +  
Patrick V. Fox +  
Angelica Perez+

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

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**Monday, October 26**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Joseph & Anna Chesmar +

**Tuesday, October 27**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM James Joseph Campion +

**Wednesday, October 28**

**Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Carol Stola +

**Thursday, October 29**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Richard Sullivan +

9:00 AM Betty De Meo +

**Friday, October 30**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Madeline Sullilvan (Living)

9:00 AM Richard J. Rinaldi +

**Saturday, October 31**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Kevin Wasiczko +

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**Saturday, October 31 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

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**Sunday, November 1, 2020**

**All Saints Day**

9:30 AM Ralph Esposito +  
Luigi & Maria Loreta Lucchetti +  
Edith Kelly (Living)  
Edoardo & Donata Vitullo+  
Ramberto Blanco +

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

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AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(said now at Mass since we cannot receive Jesus sacramentally during these difficult times).



My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You in my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and I unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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**Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection**

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.  
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain,  
with steadfast faith.  
You, Our Lady of New York, know what we need.  
We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee,  
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.  
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform ourselves to the Father's will  
and to do what Jesus tells us:  
He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.  
We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.  
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.



WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

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