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29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” - Mk 10:43-45

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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
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 and 11:30 a.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

PUT YOURSELF SELFLESSLY AT THE SERVICE OF OTHERS

No only did Isaiah write centuries before the birth of Jesus, he also wrote centuries before the promise of resurrection. Yet in the course of the three sentences we hear today, he appears to foresee both. The Suffering Servant, the subject of a number of his poems, is a wonderful characterization of our Lord. Like Jesus, he offered his life to save us from our sins. He bore the guilt of humanity, lived his life to serve others, and his suffering saved many. But when Isaiah says that though the Suffering Servant gave up his own life he can still see his descendants, he suggests a life beyond the tragic one he embraced. Though his days were dark, filled with affliction and suffering, "he shall see the light in fullness of days" (53:11). May we no matter how dark our suffering, see the light of a life beyond all human understanding.

Mark calls them, casually, "James and John, the sons of Zebedee" (10:35), but we call them, formally, "Saint James, Apostle" and "Saint John, Apostle." As saints, we take it on faith that they are in heaven, in the presence of God. As two of the original apostles, if we were to imagine their place in heaven, we could certainly imagine them close to the "throne of grace" (Hebrews 4:16). Yet Jesus' response to them, His words to all the disciples, and pretty much everything He ever said, all imply that this is the last place there they would be. They misunderstood glory in the same way many misunderstood kingdom. The glory these future saints imagined is not one of recognition for their status, for in the kingdom, just to be in the eternal presence of God is glorious.

To be a disciple means being a servant of all, serving our neighbor to the extent that we can. This is our mission. We can do this through works of charity, both far-reaching and close to home. We can do this by continually looking for what we can do for others. Perhaps our common refrain as a disciple should be, "What can I do?" This attitude of service makes us true disciples.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What can I do this week to put myself selflessly at the service of others?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP



*Please Note:
Father Raphael is away from October 10th to October 28th in Nigeria celebrating the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination with his class. Father George Okoro will be taking care of the parish while he is away.*

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 ATLAR FLOWERS AND ALTAR BREAD AND WINE are donated in loving memory of Fiore Brusco and Gloria Brusco Flanagan by Angela Brusco.



THE ATLAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are lit in loving memory of Fiore Brusco and Gloria Brusco Flanagan by Angela Brusco.



FOR THE WEEKEND MASSES, THE SATURDAY MASS AT 5 PM AND THE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:30 A.M., WILL BE SAID FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH. THIS SUNDAY MASS, OCTOBER 17TH, AT 9:30 A.M. WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:

DECEASED:

- Ralph Verderosa +
- Frank & Mary Fayden +
- Rose Marie Mitchell +
- Angelica Perez +

We Pray For The Following Intentions:

LIVING:

Jonathan Zevon (Living)



FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

Register now for next year's Religious Education program. Children in public school who will be entering First Grade through High School in September are eligible for these classes. Please call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 for more information.

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.



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Mildred De Leo.



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

MASSES
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
 7 AM AND 9 AM
SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM
SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM
SUNDAY MASSES
 9:30 AM AND 11:30 AM.

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

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS What's in it for me?

I think we've all been guilty of looking at a situation and wondering what's in it for us. It doesn't matter if it's a particular work assignment, someone at the parish asking for help with the bake sale, or your spouse asking if you'll take over the grocery shopping this week. Often, our first reaction to one of these requests is a heavy sigh and the thought: "If I do this, what will I get?"

Sometimes it surprises us to realize that the Apostles were no different. We tend to idolize these contemporaries of Christ as giants who walked with the Savior. But in reality, these individuals were merely human beings struggling to commit to the task of everyday stewardship.

In the Gospels, we see glimpses of them longing for praise and affirmation. We see them jockeying for positions of power within the group of twelve. We see them expect earthly rewards like honor and admiration. We see them acting a lot like us.

But in the end, we see them transformed by the grace of God. Like all the saints, their holiness stems from their commitment to their call. They stumble through, and as they stumble, they keep trusting God. They keep turning to Him. They keep asking for help. They don't give up just because they keep failing at it.

We are defined by what we give when we have no hope of being reimbursed, rewarded, or recognized. The Apostles understood this, eventually, and they gave accordingly. Most of them gave their very lives. Remember, they're just like us. If they can do it, we can too.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Local News

The Ursuline School, a Catholic, private, independent, college preparatory school for girls in grades 6-12, located in New Rochelle, NY, cordially invites prospective students and their families to attend our upcoming Open House events on Saturday, October 23 at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. or Wednesday, October 27 at 6:30 p.m. Additionally, Virtual Open House will be held on Wednesday, November 3 at 6:30 p.m. Explore the campus including the dynamic new spaces; engage with the dedicated faculty and administration and learn how the students develop the critical skills for continued success after high school. Please visit the Admissions page of the website for information: <https://www.ursuline.newrochelle.org/admissions/open-house-2021> or call the Admissions Office at 914-500-6227.

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will hold a Business-Social Meeting on this Thursday, October 21st at San Martino Ristorante, 12 Young Ave, Yonkers, at 1:00pm. The cost is \$26.00 cash - payable at that time. Reservations are required. If interested, please call 914.423.5331 on or before Friday, October 15th.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 3rd:
Sunday collection: \$2,225
On Line giving: \$1,335
Total: \$3,560

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.**



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Ann McShane, Ellen Chimenti, Gianna Whitehead, Dan Panik, Dominick Francis Marra, Edward Minozzi, Robert Minnucci, Lucia Sevivas, Josephine Giabattista, Loni Shost, Ken Shost, Emil Kurak, John & Patricia Quirk and Lucille McGeough.

Please contact 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.

Knights of Columbus: The Knights of Columbus will be selling their C+B raffles at the exits of the church on Saturday, November 6th after the 5:00 p.m. Mass and on Sunday, November 7th after all Masses. If you would like to purchase tickets ahead or after those dates you can visit www.kofc3995.org. The Knights thank you for your continued support.



October 17, 2021

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, October 16 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, October 17, 2021

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Ralph Verderosa +
Frank & Mary Fayden +
Rose Marie Mitchell +
Angelica Perez
Jonathan Zevon (Living)

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

Monday, October 18

Saint Luke, Evangelist

7:00 AM Luke Skultety +
9:00 AM Walter Kucharczyk +

Tuesday, October 19

**Saints John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests &
Companions, Martyrs**

7:00 AM Peter R. Perciasepe, Jr. +
9:00 AM Helen & Pete Pietrowski +

Wednesday, October 20

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Maria Nguyen +

Thursday, October 21

Weekday

7:00 AM Fiore Brusco & Gloria Brusco Flanagan +
9:00 AM P.D. Joseph +

Friday, October 22

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention
9:00 AM Mary Ferenci +

Saturday, October 23

Weekday

9:00 AM Vincenzo De Santis +

Saturday, October 23 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, October 24, 2021

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Giacomo & Blanche Bilancia +
Carl & Elizabeth Laredo +
Carmela, Frank & Dina Legio +
Patrick Vincent Fox +
Ciro Telese +

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

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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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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 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.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

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