

# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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St. Bartholomew's Yonkers

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Rectory/Parish Office : (914) 965-0566  
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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.

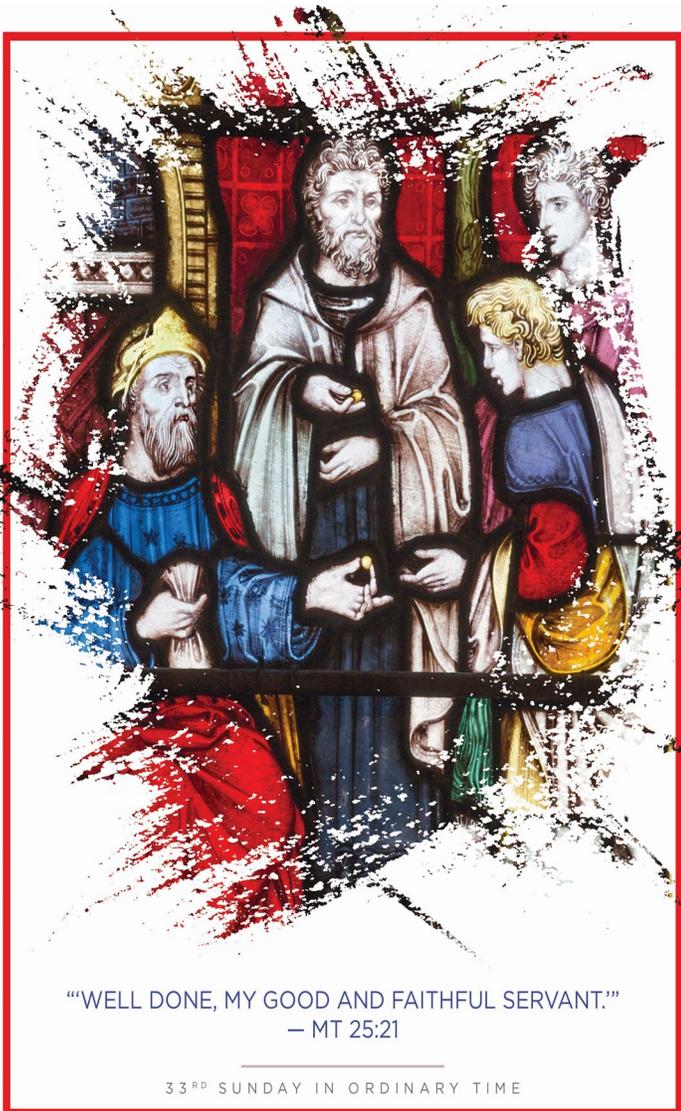
Parish Council: Meets on the Monday evening after the third Sunday of the month.

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



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.

SHARE YOU GOD-GIVEN GIFTS WITH OTHERS

The woman in the first reading is called a worthy wife, and surely she is, as the author testifies that she brings her husband goodness her whole life. She also uses her talents and her skills to serve



her family, as she procures material and works the loom and spindle to weave” with loving hands” (Proverbs31:13). But that’s not all. She even uses her gifts to help those who are poor and needy.

The writer then reveals that she fears the Lord. This is her secret. Her reverence for God has led her to serve her husband and her family, the needy and—we find out in the last sentence—the whole city. Indeed, her value is far beyond pearls, for through her generosity she has touched multitudes.

When we share our talents, whether we realize it or not we are revealing God’s presence and proclaiming God’s generosity as strongly as if we were shouting it from the rooftops. Perhaps this is what Jesus is driving at in His parable: not that God wants us to double our money by investing wisely, but that God wants us to share our gifts, to use our talents, to build up the kingdom of God, to spread the Good News to every nook and cranny of our world. Notice His final words to the two servants He found worthy: “Come, share your master’s joy” (Matthew 25: 21, 23). Sharing our God-given talents leads to sharing in God’s joy.

“There are not small parts, only small actors,” Russian director Konstantin Stanislavski famously said, insisting that even actors with seemingly insignificant roles put everything they have into the part. Both the servant who was given only two talents and the one who got but one seemed to have only bit roles on the day that the master gave out talents. But one made the most of his, making the most of what he was given. Trusted with a small amount, he can look forward to being entrusted with more and greater things. Already he is invited to share his master’s joy. Though given not even half as much as the first servant, he has also been proven worthy as a good and faithful servant. So too do we strive to be proven good and faithful. No matter how little we have been given, we are called to use it in service of something or someone greater than us.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How do I share my gifts? What talent have I been told I have but am afraid to share out in the open?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Fr. Raphael, Fr. Victor and Parish Staff wish a blessed and wonderful Thanksgiving to all our parish family and friends.

THE GIVING TREE

Please note that the “Giving Tree” will be up Thanksgiving weekend, next weekend. Pick an ornament off the tree and return the gift to the back of the church no later than Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Every gift goes to someone in need. St. Bart’s donates to:



Elizabeth Seton Children Center, Richmond Center, Immaculate Conception in the Bronx and Westchester Assisted Living. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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** are donated in loving memory of Louis Brusco by Angela Brusco.



**THE ALTAR CANDLES & SANCUARY LAMP** are lit in loving memory of Louis Brusco by Angela Brusco.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY—Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive**  
The Social Ministry group in coordination with the Religious Education students is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive through THIS WEEKEND November 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.



Bags are at the rear of the church. Please take a bag and place Thanksgiving appropriate, non-perishable fixings especially canned vegetables, canned sweet potatoes, canned fruit, applesauce, boxed mashed potatoes, coffee, tea, and juices, etc. Return the bags to church no later than Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup>. We will also be in need of some frozen turkeys, fresh/frozen pies, or fruit, which can be dropped off at the food pantry before the 5 pm Mass on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> and before the morning Masses on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generosity!!!

WINTER COAT DRIVE



St. Bart’s will be collecting winter coats again up UNTIL NEXT WEEKEND. We will also be collecting winter apparel as well including sweaters, hats, scarves and gloves. Drop your donations in the box at the rear of the church.

Thanksgiving Prayer



This Thanksgiving, let us remember all the good things, and people, who have come into our lives. We focus on thanking each one who has helped us, and ultimately thank God for the good gifts of this world.

God our Father,  
Graciously accept from your humble people  
a thankful heart and spirit.  
Everything we have and are able to share with others  
ultimately comes from your love of your creations.  
Often we think that everything we have  
is our own creation; we ask you this day to create in us  
a spirit of gratitude, that we may always know  
that all good gifts come from you.  
We ask this through Christ our brother,  
in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

**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

St. Bartholomew's Church and the NY Blood Center will be conducting our **106<sup>th</sup> Blood Drive** on **THIS FRIDAY, November 24, 2023 from 12 noon to 6pm.**

It is preferable to make appointments by using:  
[https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/300234](https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/300234)



Enter zip code, press Search and scroll down for St Bart's. Then press Schedule. Check available appointment times and follow the instructions. NYBC prefers appointments, which take priority, but will allow WALKINS only as capacity permits. If you have difficulty making an appointment, contact Tony Sciacca and he will do his best to help you.

You can change your appointment time on the web site before November 24, as long as there is a slot available. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo. Masks are optional.

IF you wish further information, check NYBC.org. If you have already given on your own recently, we thank you for your donation. If you have already signed up, we thank you so very much! If you have any family or friends that you think might be interested, please let Tony know. If you have any medical eligibility concerns, you can contact NYBC at 800-688-0900.

Regards,  
Anthony Sciacca, Chairperson, St Bart's Blood Drive  
[tonscia@aol.com](mailto:tonscia@aol.com)  
(h) 914-423-3592

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

I remember watching a television show about a high school that dug up a time capsule that students had buried twenty-five years earlier. They had buried it with the purpose of showing others many years later the trends of the day and how student life was at that time. It was a fun exercise and everyone--the current students as well as those now grown--laughed at the clothing styles, corny photos, and lack of technology from years ago.

I wonder how the former students felt about how they had grown in those twenty-five years. How many of them realized their high school dreams? Did they find their purpose in this world and feel fulfilled in life? Did they use the talents and gifts God gave them to really make a difference in the world?

We have all been given talents and gifts by God to be cultivated and offered back to him and those around us for his glory. As time has passed, hopefully we have taken seriously our stewardship of these gifts. But sometimes out of fear, misunderstanding, or even apathy, we have taken one or more of our gifts and buried them, hiding them away from others and stifling all growth. This is no way to honor God and certainly not a path to fulfillment in life. If we have anything buried in our backyard we might do well to dig it back up, clean it up, and begin building upon it. Like a time capsule, those things will not be buried forever. One day the giver of that gift will ask what *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI*

**† STEWARDSHIP †**

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

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

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

*November 5th*

<i>Sunday collection:</i>	<b>\$4,043.00</b>
<i>On Line giving:</i>	<b>\$1,370.00</b>
<i>Total:</i>	<b>\$5,413.00</b>

**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).**



**LORD**  
**give strength**  
**to your people**

Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, 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, 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, Lucille McGeough, Baby Joseph Anthony Coddington, Tony Sciacca, Megan Weingarten, Richard Gritta, Luz Maria Izurieta, Joan Manno, Ana Herrera, Edna McShane, Faust Venturino, Patricia Nieman, Richard Romanowski, Salvador Aviles, Judy Hanrahan, John Smith, Theresa Liuzzi and Barbara Olivieri.

**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.**



November 19, 2023

Mass  for the  
Intentions *Week*

**Saturday, November 18 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Dr. Edward Casey +

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**Sunday, November 19**

**Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Legio Family  
Patrick V. Fox +

11:00 AM Louis Brusco +  
Patrick V. Fox +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

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**Monday, November 20**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Rose Hall (Living)

9:00 AM Deceased Members of Fiala & Corbo  
Families

**Tuesday, November 21**

**The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:00 AM Mario Liguori +

9:00 AM Leonard Kurz +

**Weekday, November 22**

**Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Steven & Catherine Yaskovic +

**Thursday, November 23**

10:00 AM For All The People of the Parish.

**Friday, November 24**

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

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Dominick & Michelina Russo +

**Saturday, November 25**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Julian Karvoski +

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**Saturday, November 25 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Albert Pragana +

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**Sunday, November 26**

**Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

9:30 AM Anthony & Anna Guarente +

11:00 AM Steven Fitzpatrick +  
Francis G. Nanoia +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

**November 19, 2023**

**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**

