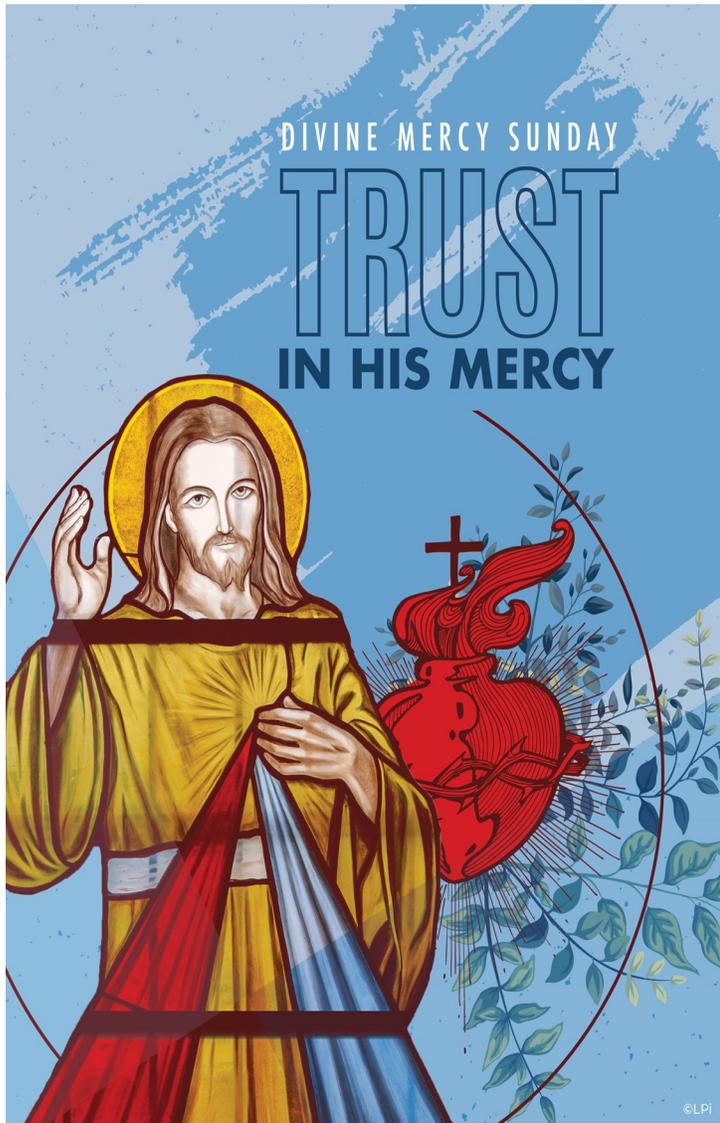


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Mission Statement: We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and 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 Ezech, MSP, Pastor
Rev. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate Pastor
Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Office Manager
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, **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

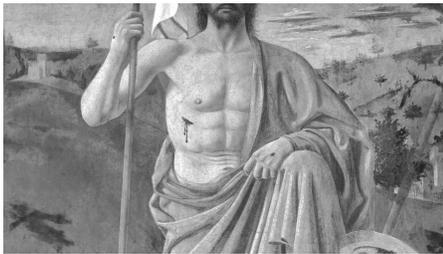
Trustees: Thomas Hoffman, Tina Falcone

HAVE FAITH AND BRING THAT FAITH TO THE WOUNDS OF YOUR NEIGHBORS

John wrote that the first thing Jesus did after greeting the apostles was show them His hands and His side. He showed them His wounds. Not only did that prove that He really was the Lord, it also showed them that the wounds had a real and lasting effect on His body. His body was not restored to an unblemished state. It was Jesus' wounded body that was raised from the dead, that was taken to heaven, and that remains there now. The wounds on Christ's body are not symbolic or superficial.

Similarly, the body of Christ - the Church - is wounded, and those wounds are real.

We have the opportunity to see Christ's risen body as well, just not in the same way that the apostles did. With the eyes of faith - through Thomas's eyes, if you will - we can perceive His risen body, wounds and all, in the Church, in the world, in our community, in our parish, in each other. That faith-filled vision allowed the early Christian community to live and thrive despite the persecution they endured, even eating their daily meals "with exhaustion and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people" (Acts 2:46-47). They saw Christ's risen body in their community: in the wounds they suffered and in the fellowship they shared.



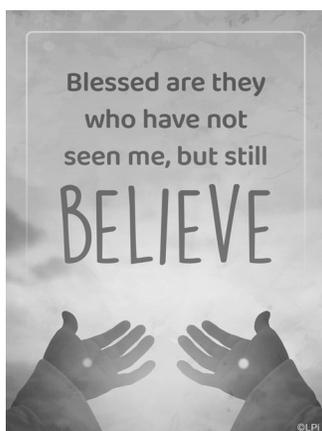
Significantly, Jesus' first words to His disciples after His resurrection were, "Peace be with you" (John 20:19). This simple greeting, which may sound ordinary or even trite, meant a lot to the disciples, for they had all abandoned him as He suffered and died on the cross. But when Jesus returned, He came not only with the gift of the Holy Spirit, but also with the gift of reconciliation, restoring the bond between Him and them. When He showed them His hands and His sides, He was not reminding them of what they had let Him go through alone. He was giving them a share in His triumph over sin and death.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

With eyes of faith, how do I see Christ's wounds in my community?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP



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.

Take Note

FOOD PANTRY: *The food pantry can use cereal, beans, pasta, and juices. **May God bless you all for your generosity.***

The 2023 Mass book still has Masses 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 birthdays, 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. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MASS BOOK FOR 2024 IS OPEN. BOOK YOUR 2024 MASSES AT THE PARISH OFFICE ON MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, OR FRIDAY FROM 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.**

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is a relatively recent but very popular devotion revealed by Our Lord to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun. On Good Friday, 1937 Christ appeared to St. Faustina and asked her to recite this chaplet for nine days, starting on Good Friday and ending on the Octave of Easter (the Sunday after Easter Sunday) and is now known as Divine Mercy Sunday. This chaplet is often recited during those nine days, but it can be prayed at any time of the year, and St. Faustina recited it almost unceasingly. A standard rosary can be used to recite the chaplet.



Jesus, I Trust in You!
Jesús en Ti Confío

◆ Make the Sign of the Cross

◆ Pray the Opening Prayers: "You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us." "O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You." (3 times).

- ◆ Pray the Our Father
- ◆ Pray the Hail Mary
- ◆ Say the Apostles Creed
- ◆ Pray the Prayer "Eternal Father" on the Our Father bead: "Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. Amen."
- ◆ Pray the Prayer "For the Sake of His Sorrowful Passion" Ten Times on the Hail Mary Beads: "For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."
- ◆ Repeat Steps 6 and 7: On each of the next four decades of the Chaplet, repeat Steps 6 and 7 (pray the Eternal Father, followed by ten "For the Sakes of His Sorrowful Passion.")
- ◆ Pray the Concluding Doxology Three Times after all five decades: "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world." (three times)
- ◆ Pray the Closing Prayer: "Eternal God, in Whom mercy is endless, and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us, and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen."
- ◆ End with the Sign of the Cross

THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S HAS CHANGED AND 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, 11:00 AM,
12:30 PM (SPANISH) & 5 PM
 ****CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM
 4 TO 4:30 PM****

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS:

Due to the constant unchecked flow of data and information through the Internet, it can be hard to know when a story is real news or rubbish. It never ceases to amaze me when someone I know has bought into some crazy fake news story. Sometimes the story is just so unbelievable: celebrities who gained two hundred pounds in a month, women having babies who were never pregnant, or people actually being seen who are dead! Like Elvis!

The apostle Thomas found the news that Jesus was alive just too far-fetched to believe. But he didn't first hear the news on the Internet or read it standing in the grocery store checkout line. His friends told him. His fellow apostles told him they had actually seen the Lord with their own eyes. Their testimony was not enough. He needed proof.

The resurrection of Jesus gives us not only hope, but also a reason to be His disciples. We have not seen with our own eyes but, like Thomas, we have a community, the Church, that has relayed the truth to us. This same Jesus now calls us to go forth to spread the Gospel. More unbelievable than that, we have, through the gifts we have been given, a chance to change and even save lives. The day may come that you, moved by this news of the risen Lord, will be an agent of his love to the point where someone will tell the tale that you, a follower of Jesus, actually helped to change his or her life. Pretty unbelievable, right?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS, LPI

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will hold their 31st Anniversary Luncheon at Tombolino's, 356 Kimball Ave, Yonkers, on **THIS Thursday, April 20th, at 1:00pm**. Reservations are required. \$28 cash payable at the luncheon. Members and guests are welcome. For more info, call 914-423-5331.

The Knights of Columbus 50/50 Charitable Raffle drawing was held at St. Eugene's on April 2, 2023 with the following results:

- 1st Prize \$5,000 - John Ryan (St. John the Baptist parishioner)
- 2nd Prize \$1,500 - Frank Giacoio (St. Eugene parishioner)
- 3rd Prize \$500 - Maria Cardone (St. Paul the Apostle parishioner)
- ...and the 10 - \$50 Prizes:

- John Ferguson (St. John the Baptist parishioner)
- Peter Clarke (St. Eugene parishioner)
- Lisa Elio (Friend of Phil Gasparino)
- Mary Hughes (St. Eugene parishioner)
- Joane Tadros (St. Eugene parishioner)
- Nisha Singh (Friend of Phil Gasparino)
- John Murakami (Friend of Joe Razza)
- Anthony Rinaldi (Friend of Shaun Egan)
- Donna Kyin (Friend of Pasquale Fisco)
- Bob Corke (Friend of Ted Rieper)

Congratulations to all our winners and thank you to all who participated! Visit our

† STEWARDSHIP †

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 2nd
Sunday collection: \$3,377.00
On Line giving: \$2,155.00
Total: \$5,532.00

**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 donation s, 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.saintbartparish.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.



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, 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, 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 and Richard Romanowski.

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.

 **Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Dr. Henry Frey.

April 16, 2023

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, April 15 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Lucille & Carl Rossi +

Sunday, April 16, 2023

Divine Mercy

9:30 AM Joseph Paul Prior +
Deceased Members of the Lucchetti &
Capuano Families

11:00 AM Rosita Montelbano +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish
(Spanish Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish
(Spanish Mass)

Monday, April 17

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Maria Nguyen +

9:00 AM Theresa Pisacreta +

Tuesday, April 18

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM For Any Soul in Purgatory

9:00 AM George & Josephine Campbell +

Wednesday, April 19

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Joseph Nguyen +

9:00 AM Michael & Loretta Kennedy +

Thursday, April 20

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Rita Burns +

Friday, April 21

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Angelina Nguyen (Living)

Saturday, April 22

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM No Intention

Saturday, April 22 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Maria Koehler +

Sunday, April 23, 2023

Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Fiorente & Teresa Venturino +
Robert Liddell +

11:00 AM Steven Fitzpatrick +

12:30 PM For All The People Of Our Parish
(Spanish Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People Of Our Parish

April 16, 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

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

