

# 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. Victor Ameh, MSP, Associate 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. 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

**STOP!!!! HELP THOSE IN NEED**

After Moses enjoined the Chosen People to keep the Lord's commandments, he encouraged them by pointing out that the commandments were easily accessible. They were not hidden in the heavens or beyond the edge of the sea. No, the law to love God and neighbor was written right on their hearts, the words right on their lips. So too for us. The law of love is not beyond our reach, for it is planted in us in baptism. We know what we should do; we rely upon God's grace in following through.



It was perfectly rational for the priest and the Levite to do exactly what they did in the parable of the good Samaritan. They both had important responsibilities in the temple. If they were traveling to Jerusalem, it would have been very important that they maintain their ritual purity. The victim on the side of the road was half-dead. They would be considered unclean if they even came within four cubits of a dead body, so they couldn't even get close enough to determine if he was still breathing or not. No wonder they hurried by on the opposite side. Both could easily rationalize their inaction by telling themselves that serving the Lord in the temple was more important than serving the stranger dying on the road. But rationalization is just a way that we use to explain or excuse something we do that we know is wrong. We rationalize rather than listen to our conscience.



Though Jesus did not explicitly refer to this parable when He told His disciples about the last judgment, He could have said about those who He welcomed into the kingdom, "I was lying half-dead by the side of the road and you cared for me." the priest and Levite could only see their Lord as present in the temple in Jerusalem; they failed to see Him lying bleeding on the side of the road. Only the Samaritan was moved with compassion by what he could not fail to see, a fellow child of God in need of care and mercy. Can we see the Lord in a stranger in need?

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

How do I rationalize passing someone in need? What will spur me to stop and help instead?

*Blessings*

*Father Raphael*

**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.



It's time to register for next year's Religious Education classes. Classes will begin in September. Children who will be entering first grade this September or are currently in grade school or high school are eligible to enroll. Current students should submit the re-registration forms this week while those not yet in the program should call Cheryl Duda in the Religious Education Office. Her number is on the front of the bulletin. Adults wishing to inquire about becoming Catholic or wishing to make their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion or Confirmation should also contact Cheryl at this time.



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**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.



**Meals for a Soup Kitchen:** The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans **will be collected FOR JULY on THIS Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on THIS Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup>, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.**

**Movie Thursday, Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 am**  
**Entertaining Angels: The Dorothy Day Story**

**Contact Rich Califano if interested in attending!!!**



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\*\*\*\***

**St. Kateri Tekakwitha, July 14<sup>th</sup> Feast Day**

On July 14<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the feast of the "Lily of the Mohawks." St. Kateri Tekakwitha was the daughter of an Algonquin mother and a Mohawk chief and was born in 1656. When she was four years old her parents and brother died of smallpox. Kateri survived, but the disease left her scarred and her sight impaired. She was named "Tekakwitha," which means "she who bumps into things." Kateri's uncle took her in, and although she wanted to practice the religion of her mother, her uncle discouraged her. At the age of eighteen, Kateri began studying the Catholic religion in secret. After a time, her uncle gave his permission for her to become a Christian as long as she did not leave the village. There, she put up with ridicule because of her faith. In 1676, Kateri fled to Canada where she made her first Communion on Christmas, 1677. Although the last years of her life were difficult, Kateri was known for her kindness and good humor. She died on April 17, 1680 and was canonized by Pope Benedict in 2012.



**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR  
 ORDINARY MOMENTS**

**What Jesus Doesn't Say**

"If Jesus wanted us to (fill in the blank), he would have said so."

We hear this argument applied to every controversial topic under the sun — and even some not-so-controversial topics, too. Whenever someone is trying to make a case for a decision they have already made, they call in Jesus' scriptural silence on the matter as their expert, unimpeachable witness.

And sure, there's much Jesus doesn't talk about in the Gospels. But by this logic, we would have to assume that Jesus doesn't care, for instance, if we drive well over the speed limit (he doesn't discuss cars and highways in the Bible) or what we do online (he never mentions the Internet or websites at all!), when we know that certainly is just not the case.

Like the scholar of the Jewish law who challenges Jesus to define who exactly his "neighbor" is, we can argue semantics all we want. But if we rest in prayer and look deep into our hearts, we know what path we need to take, and it's usually not the easy one.

I find that I do this plenty in ways that are far more subtle. I lament that the situation facing me is not sufficiently "black and white." I become frustrated by the shades of moral grey and toss up my hands, claiming I don't know what the right answer is, insisting that I can't be blamed for the ramifications of whatever decision I make.

What I need to be doing in these situations is asking God for His guidance, even if it makes me nervous. I need to be like the scholar. He was brave enough to ask, even though I think he knew he wouldn't particularly like the answer. Let's strive for that same courage.  
 — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS LPI



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

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

June 26<sup>th</sup>

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Sunday collection:</i> | <b>\$2,319.00</b> |
| <i>On Line giving:</i>    | <b>\$ 920.00</b>  |
| <b>Total:</b>             | <b>\$3,239.00</b> |

*(Last week on line giving was reported as \$930, it should have been \$1,070).*

**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.saintbartparish.org](http://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](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, 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, Lucille McGeough, Baby Joseph Anthony Coddington, Tony Sciacca, Megan Weingarten, and Richard Gritta.

**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.**



*Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Belkis B. Rodriguez.*

July 10, 2022

Mass  for the  
Intentions Week

**Saturday, July 9 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Christine Bellino +

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**Sunday, July 10, 2022**

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Oscar Starckenberg +

Dennis Madonia +

Mary Gregorio +

11:30 AM Angela Di Rodio +

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

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**Monday, July 11**

**Saint Benedict, Abbot**

7:00 AM Adrian John Santos +

9:00 AM Special Intention

**Tuesday, July 12**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Frank Farley +

**Wednesday, July 13**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

9:00 AM John Paul Capuano (Living)

**Thursday, July 14**

**Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Cora Monahan +

**Friday, July 15**

**Saint Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

**First Friday**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Quincy Venturino (Living)

**Saturday, July 16**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM No Intention

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**Saturday, July 16 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Stephen Hickey +

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**Sunday, July 17, 2022**

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Margaret & Michael Hickey +

11:30 AM Julia Mulvaney McGee +

5:00 PM Lucille & Tony Sciacca & Family (Living)

**July 10, 2022**

**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**

