

St. Bartholomew's Church



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Sunday Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday;
8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 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 4:45 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.

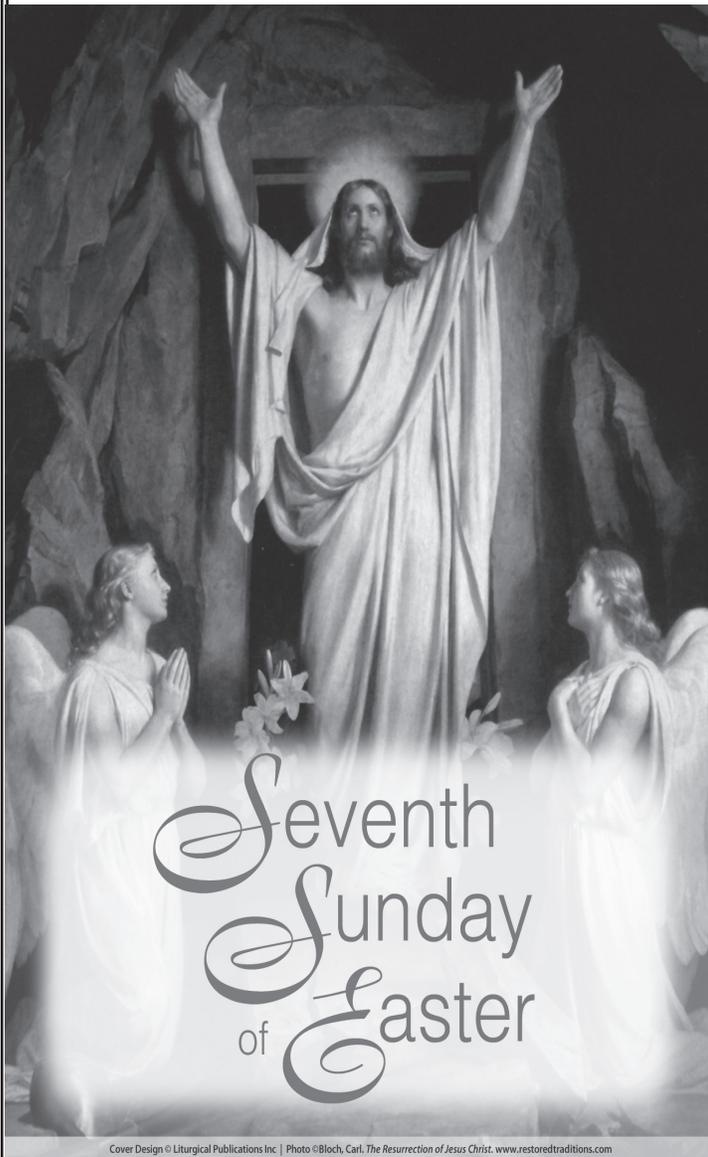
Parish Council: Meets on the Monday evening after the third Sunday of the month. Chairperson: Richard Califano

Holy Name Society: Meets on the Monday evening after the second Sunday of the month. President, Dan Panik

Rosary Altar Society: Meets on the Monday evening after the first Sunday of the month. President, Joan Liddell

Bereavement Ministry: For information call (914) 965-0566,
Tina Falcone

Trustees: Catherine Hickey, Aureo Pinto



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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.

WAITING, PRAYING, HOPING



Three very difficult activities! We've done them several times over the years but still have a ways to go. They are very important to our daily life and sanity. Above all, they are vital to our ultimate goal of salvation.

The apostles are once again left in limbo! It's transition time, again. This time, Jesus is taken up to heaven in their presence; He's gone "for good," so they say. No returning after three days. But He promised them the Holy Spirit. As of then, they had no idea what the Spirit was going to be like. They had no idea what their future was going to look like. However, one thing was very clear to them: the road ahead would be bumpy – the task ahead would not be a piece of cake. They'd suffer while bearing witness to Christ and spreading the Good News. But for now, they must wait. They must pray. They must hope. So they gathered in the Upper Room, supported each other, and gave us an example of how to wait on Jesus' promise.



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I've heard so many stories of painful waiting and joyful waiting. The latter is a no brainer. The former is where we have problems. The few hours before my mom passed were some of the most difficult in my life. I waited for some good news. It never came. Two years later, it was my brother. It was a more painful waiting. My faith mode kicked into action: praying, waiting, hoping.

Some of you shared with me how you waited for some good and bad news. Some of you are in the middle of such waiting. Some are waiting for the birth of a child, especially during a difficult pregnancy. Some are waiting for their doctor's report. Some are waiting for a medical report. Some are waiting for exam results. Some are waiting to hear from the schools they applied to. Some are waiting to see who wins the World Series. Some are waiting for a job or job interview. Some parishes are waiting to hear the result of the *Making All Things New* project and the fate of their parish. In Nigeria, many parents await the return of their children kidnapped by Boko Haram.



No matter what we wait for, we can learn, once again, from the disciples. They gathered together in the Upper room (support for each other), and prayed (for God's help), and hoped (that what Jesus promised – the Holy Spirit – would be fulfilled). And in time, everything worked out well, but not without trials and difficulties.

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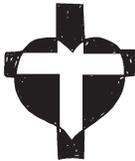
~ Father Raphael Ezech, MSP

PARISH NEWS

The ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY will hold their end of year meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the school this Monday, June 2nd. All women of the parish are invited. Their annual dinner outing will take place this Tuesday, June 3rd, at J.C. Fogarty's Restaurant in Bronxville.



SHARING COMMUNITY MEAL: This Thursday, June 5th, we will be providing our Sharing Community Meal. Please bring your ziti or dessert to the Rectory. Doors will open at 6:45 a.m. The Sharing Community truly appreciates our efforts. Please keep up the good work! For information, please call the Rectory Office.



CALLING ALL SENIORS! CALLING ALL SENIORS!

Join fellow seniors for a Mass and Gathering Thursday, June 5th

9 a.m. Mass with a Special Blessing, followed by light refreshments and gathering at the McManus Parish Center.



HOLY HOUR: This Friday, June 6th, is First Friday. We will hold Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. with our regular Monthly Holy Hour at 1 p.m. On Saturday, June 7th, the Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. All are invited to spare an hour and come to adore Jesus Christ Who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist.



ALTAR FLOWERS for this week have been donated for the intentions of the Brusco Family by Louis & Angela Brusco.



The **ALTAR BREAD & WINE**, **ALTAR CANDLES** and **SANCTUARY LAMP** for the week have been donated for the intentions of the Brusco Family by Louis & Angela Brusco.



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. Evening classes are available to accommodate the children of working parents. Besides grade level classes, instruction prepares children for Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation. Call Cheryl Duda (476-6676) for information.



Seventh Sunday of Easter



"Let all the earth cry out to God with joy." Come and rekindle the joy of being with your spouse on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information, call toll free (877) 697-9963, ext. 3 or visit www.wwmearchny.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter's mission of renewal in the Church and change in the world is to assist couples and priests to live fully intimate and responsible relationships by providing them with a Catholic "experience" and ongoing community support for such a lifestyle.

SOCIAL MINISTRY: Our Food Pantry has an ongoing need for dry goods, especially **cereal, macaroni & cheese, juices, canned fish/meat, canned fruits & condiments, such as mayonnaise, mustard, and ketchup.** Please keep this in mind on your next trip to the supermarket. Thank you for your continuing support!



The **YOUTH GROUP** meets on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. There will be a meeting this Sunday, June 1st. A fun "game night" is planned. All youths age 13 and up are invited.

SAVE THE DATES: Our Youth Group is hosting two activities toward the end of June.

- Fri, June 27th - **Kids' Night** for kids under 13 & their parents
- Sat, June 28th - Parish inclusive *Roaring 20s* themed Dance Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

FATHER'S DAY CARDS AND NOVENA

Sunday, June 15th, is Father's Day. We will have a 9 day Novena of Masses for all our fathers - living and deceased. The Novena of Masses will begin on Sunday, June 15th and will end on Monday, June 23rd.

There are cards and/or envelopes at the back of the church. If you want your father, father-in-law or any other father remembered in the Novena of Masses, please fill out the envelope and place it in the collection basket or bring it to the Rectory Office during the week. Remember, on Father's Day we will invoke a special blessing on all the fathers during the Masses that weekend.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Held after the 9 a.m. Mass on Mondays.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Join your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary after the 9 a.m. Mass on weekdays and Saturdays.

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

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING *Last Weekend's Contribution Comparison*

	5/26/13	5/25/14	Difference
Adults	\$4,380.15	\$4,801.25	+\$ 421.10
Children	\$ 75.45	\$ 61.20	-\$ 14.25
Total	\$4,455.60	\$4,862.45	+\$ 406.85

*"WHAT WE HAVE DONE FOR OURSELVES ALONE
DIES WITH US; WHAT WE HAVE DONE FOR OTHERS
AND THE WORLD REMAINS AND IS IMMORTAL."*

~ Albert Pike



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ethel Thomas, Aldina Pereira, Rebecca Conroy, Andy DeFabritis, Maria Marte, Jule Yaskovic, Rosalie Heit, Florence B. Swetz, Clare Yaskovic, Deacon James Byrnes, Andrea Objay, Carmen Torres, Frank Marra, Deacon Patrick Troy, Josephine Apuzzo, Gary Roth, Joyann Allan, Lois Burton, Mary DeStefano, Mark Cianfaglione, Shawn Colon, Margaret Maccia, Nicole Ryan Betancourt, Anthony Spinner, Audrey Falcone, Kathleen Hayes, Marge Muraik, Nicole Pisani-Frame, Louis Petrulo, Cynthia Swiatkowicz, Jimmy Maimone, Roseanne Mercandetti, Louis Brusco, Josephine Daniele, Jennifer Dorsey, Valerie Riccardi, Fatima Panik, Marian Fletcher, Anna Bonacci, Minerva Hernandez, Paula Parente, Bridget O'Malley, Anna Brucculeri, Gerald Mazzerese, Jr., Patricia Keane, Carol Stola, Amada Ortiz, Karen Aprea, Stephen Sarich, Neil Cawley, Barbara McCormack, Josephine Lehotyak, Lawrence Girsch, Fran Romano, Joe Forlini, Michael Treacy, Rosemarie Petti, and Marie Murtha.

(Today is World Communication Day) The Blessing of Communication

We are blessed with the words of wisdom

We all have gifts to share

Stories to tell

Let us all learn from each other

To exchange words of wisdom

To share the positive things that we learned from our past
Therefore, others will not fall into the traps laid on the paths
below us

The ability to communicate is a wonderful gift

One does not have to communicate through their mouth

But through their actions

We are all touched in a positive way through the ability to
communicate

Spiritually, verbally or through the actions of one's ability to
communicate.

By Stacey Chillemi

June 1, 2014

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Saturday, May 31 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Sister Maria Cira +

Sunday, June 1

8:30 AM Oscar Starkenberg +

10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish

11:30 AM Gene DelBene +

5:00 PM Michael Brini +

Monday, June 2

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Maria Loreta Lucchetti +

9:00 AM Antonio Marchetti +

Tuesday, June 3

Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Elizabeth Liptak +

Wednesday, June 4

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Edward Capper +

Thursday, June 5

Saint Boniface, Bishop & Martyr

7:00 AM Corazon & Benjamin Sotto +

9:00 AM John Sheehan +

Friday, June 6

Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Helen & Pete Pietrowski +

9:00 AM Intentions of the Brusco Family

Saturday, June 7

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Mary Penza +

11:00 AM Memorial for Dr. Joseph D'Amaro +

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, June 7 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Anna Giuriceo +

Sunday, June 8

8:30 AM Carl Laredo & Robert Liddell +

10:00 AM Deceased Members of Lucchetti & Capuano Families

11:30 AM Deceased Members of Zucconi Family

5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

June 1, 2014

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

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 complete 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 Rectory. Thank you!

Name:

Address:

City/Zip:

Telephone:

Comment:

- I am a visitor.
- I am interested in parish membership.
- 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.

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Have you returned your Raffle stubs for our Annual Parish Raffle? The winning ticket for our latest fundraising effort will be drawn at this year's **Parish Picnic on Sunday, June 22nd**. One lucky participant will take home half of the proceeds, a cash prize that is still

growing - just in time to kick off summer!

Raffle Books and donations can be placed in an envelope marked **Raffle** and dropped off, or mailed to the Rectory Office. **Please make all checks payable to St. Bartholomew's Church**. Raffle Tickets are \$2 each or a book of six tickets costs \$10.

Please help make this fundraising effort a success. Good luck and God bless!