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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

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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
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 (also live streamed) and 11:30 a.m. 9 on Sunday
Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. (also live streamed) Monday through Friday;
9:00 a.m. Saturday (also live streamed)

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.

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: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

OVERCOMING OUR FEARS AND DOUBTS

Peter's courage led him not only to be the only disciple who spoke to the ghost who could be Jesus, but also to dare to walk on water as he did during a violent storm. But when he realized what he was doing, he lost faith. His faith resembled that of someone, in the metaphor we heard a few weeks ago, whose seed of faith was planted on rocky ground. It immediately sprang to life but then withered for lack of roots. On rocky ground, on rocky waters, Peter's faith at this point is not well-anchored. We will see these rocks again when Jesus is arrested and Peter denies Him three times. But we know that in the end Peter is the rock. The extravagance of the sower is finally rewarded. Our faith may grow slowly and haltingly, but we are never abandoned.

It's no accident that when an angel appears in scripture, the first thing the angel generally says is, "Do not be afraid." Angels appear much as Jesus did in this passage—like ghosts, like other worldly presences. Men and women visited by angels or by the presence of God usually initially react with fear. To cope with fear, they call upon their faith. We too struggle with fear: fears about our family, our health, our finances, our future. Faith can help steady us as we struggle with our fears, can enable us to walk through raging waters.

Saint Paul is so selfless that he would sacrifice his own salvation for the sake of the salvation of Israel, "my kindred" (Romans 9:3). We can imagine going to great lengths for our own kin, meaning someone in our own family, but for Paul, kinship includes an entire people. His affection for those close to him extends to entire peoples, indeed all humanity.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

How can I overcome the fears and doubts I have in my life? How can I support others striving to overcome their own fears and doubts?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
FEAST DAY- AUGUST 15TH**



Father in heaven,
all creation rightly gives you praise,
for all life and all holiness come from you.
In the plan of your wisdom
she who bore the Christ in her womb
was raised body and soul in glory to be with
Him in heaven.
May we follow her example in reflecting Your
holiness
and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PARISH NEWS



THE PARISH OFFICE HAS RE OPENED. 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.

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Mary Drohan Barrett and Virginia Torres. *Rest in Peace*



THE ALTAR FLOWERS, are donated this week for the intentions of the Brusco Family by Angela Brusco (originally donated for May 31st).



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LAMP are donated this week in loving memory Robert Liddell and Dianne Milder by Joan Laredo Liddell.



WEEKDAY AND SATURDAY MORNING MASSES WILL NOW RESUME WITH INTENTIONS AS NORMAL.

FOR THE WEEKEND MASSES, THE SATURDAY MASS AT 5 PM AND THE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:30, WILL BE SAID FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH.



THIS SUNDAY MASS, August 9th AT 9:30 WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:

DECEASED:

Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society
Joseph & Linda Sarich +
Alfred & Florence Porach +
Deceased Members of Brusco & Nanaia Families

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S ETERNAL PEACE

LIVING:

For the intentions of Father Raphael Ezech, MSP (Living)



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.



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

YOU CAN SIGN UP EACH WEEK FOR WEEKEND MASSES (SATURDAY, 5 PM, AND SUNDAY, 9:30 AND 11:30 AM). GO TO OUR PARISH WEB SITE OR FACEBOOK PAGE TO SIGN UP.
IF YOU DO NOT OR ARE UNABLE TO SIGN UP, YOU CAN STILL ATTEND MASS. (THE ARCHDIOCESE HAS INCREASED ACCEPTABLE CAPACITY TO 50% PROVIDED FACE MASKS ARE WORN AND SOCIAL DISTANCING IS PRACTICED). PLEASE BE SURE TO USE THE SIGN UP SHEETS THAT ARE PROVIDED AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.

Updates will be posted on our SAINTBARTHOLOMEW PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE as well as Father will send out Robo Calls if there are additional updates. Stay safe and God bless everyone.

For anyone who is not on Facebook and needs help setting up an account, please contact the Parish Office or Cheryl Duda.

FOOD PANTRY: The food pantry is now open. We can use jelly, rice, canned tuna, and canned fruit.
YOU CAN DROP OFF YOUR FOOD DONATIONS IN THE BOXES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.
 ****Also, if you would like to make cash donations, you can do so. We use the cash donations to purchase Shoprite gift cards and have already given out some to a few families.
May God bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
 RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS
Being Human is to Doubt

Humans doubt. It's what we do. We doubt ourselves and we doubt others. Before any of us say anything about Peter's doubting the words of Jesus that told him he could get out of his boat and walk on water, we need to get real with ourselves: How would I respond in the same situation? I remember when I was child taking swimming lessons. One day I simply tightened up my muscles and sank. The lifeguard pulled me up and asked what happened. I said I did not know. The truth is that I was sinking under the weight of my own doubt. I did not believe I could do what clearly, I was told I could. That was only in five feet of water in a pool! Now that I'm older, I can look back and laugh. But as an adult, the swimming pool is life, and I would be lying if I said that there are no longer times I find myself sinking due to new doubts.

Much of our doubt comes about because of a lack of trust in God. We place our trust in material things, wealth, or imperfect people instead of the One who is worthy of our trust 100 percent of the time. Our stewardship is often hampered by our doubt that God will provide all that we need. If I give more, I may not have enough to survive! When we place all our trust in God, not only do we find that we have been given all we need – our doubt that causes us to sink in the pool of life fades away. We don't suddenly become perfect in our trust, and there will be times when we find ourselves with concerns again. However, it is in those moments we find that He is still there, speaking the words we need to hear: "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

— Tracy Earl Welliver LPI



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing. Program. **We need your financial support especially at this difficult time.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME, YOU CAN TITHE IN 3 WAYS:

- Mail in your envelope.
- Register for on line giving. **IT'S EASY!** (see below note).
- Drop off your envelope in the large container covered with a red cloth behind the organ. It is marked with a sign.

May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought and sign up for on line giving. Thank you!

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, Mary DeSantis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutowski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, Larry Mesler, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jerry Esposito, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Rosemarie Bartolomeo, Ann McShane, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy, and Dan Panik.

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.



We have two prayer lists for the Corona Virus. The first list will be for people who currently have the virus and need prayers. The second list will be for those working in the hospitals directly with the Corona Virus patients.
 Please send your names to stbartsreled@aol.com and state whether the person is sick with the virus or is a medical person working in the hospital with corona virus patients. Send all information to: stbartsreled@aol.com

August 9, 2020

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Saturday, August 8 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, August 9, 2020

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Reverend Raphael Ezech, MSP (Living)
Deceased Members of the Holy Name
Society
Joseph & Linda Sarich, Alfred & Florence
Porach +
Deceased Members of Brusco & Nanoia
Families

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

Monday, August 10

Saint Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Rosemarie Yannicelli +

Tuesday, August 11

Saint Clare, Virgin

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Benjamin & Corazon Sotto +

Wednesday, August 12

Weekday

7:00 AM Edwin Vega +

9:00 AM Matthew Lombardo +

Thursday, August 13

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

Friday, August 14

Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Leslie De Brocky & Margaret McGuirk +

Saturday, August 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Capuano Grandchildren (Living)

Saturday, August 15 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, August 16, 2020

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM Frank C. Como +
Robert Liddell +
Dianne Milder +
Peter Garafola +
Albert Campisi +

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

August 9, 2020

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(said now at Mass since we cannot receive Jesus sacramentally during these difficult times).



My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and I unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain,
with steadfast faith.

You, Our Lady, know what we need.
We are certain that you will provide, so that,
as you did at Cana of Galilee,
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the Father's will
and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.



WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

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