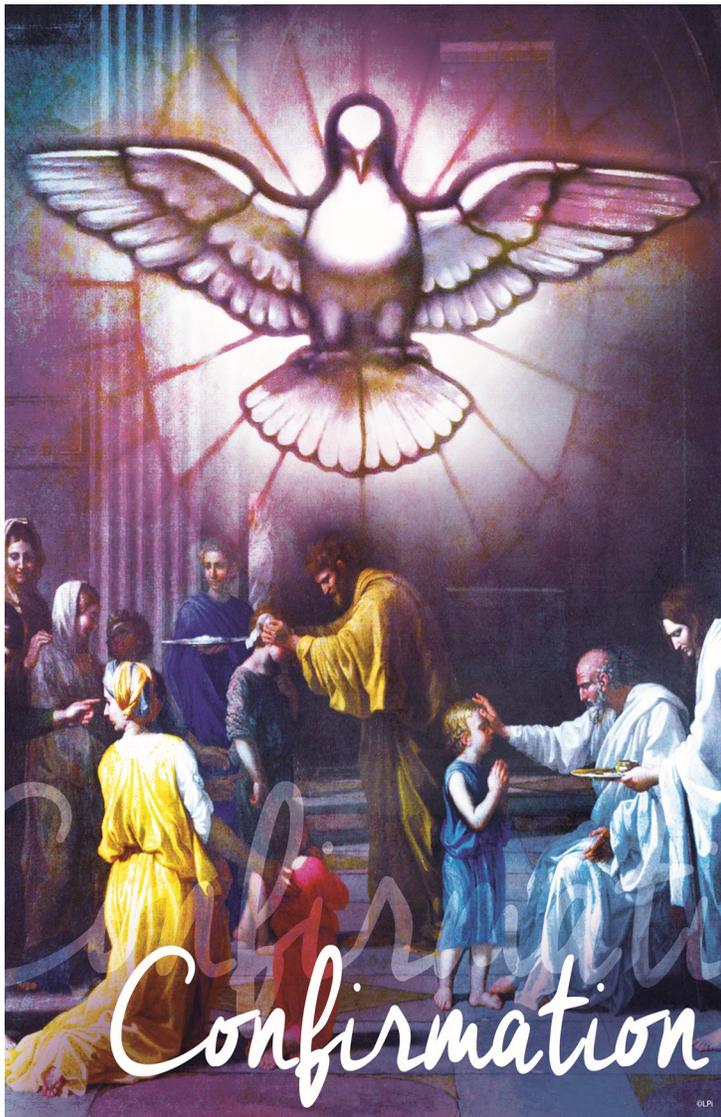


# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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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. Anthony Mbanefo, MSP, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Robert A. Clemens  
Cheryl Duda, Religious Education Coordinator  
Erika Podoprigora, Organist and Music Director

Rectory/Parish Office : (914) 965-0566  
Religious Education Office: (914) 476-6676

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.

**Holy Name Society:** Meets on the Monday evening after the second Sunday of the month. President, Anthony Martelli

**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

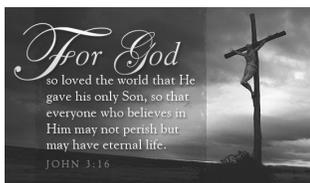
**Trustees:** Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU

If you trace the route that Paul and Barnabas took on the first of Paul's great missionary journeys, you will see something unusual. Once they reached Derbe ("that city" in the first line of today's first reading), they returned exactly the way they came before sailing back across the Mediterranean. With a whole world to convert, why would they pass right back through the same towns they'd already visited? The answer is found elsewhere in the first reading: they "exhorted them to persevere in the faith" (Acts 14:22). It is one thing to make a commitment, it is something else to sustain that commitment. Paul and Barnabas realized that for the newly baptized Christians to become true disciples, they had to persevere in the face of hardship. We are called to persevere as well.

Jesus tells His disciples that they will be recognized by the love that they have for one another. This applies no less to us today. Can we be recognized by the love we have for each other? Or do we fail to act in a "Christian" way to our brothers and sisters?

To love one another on Jesus' terms entails more than acting kindly and empathetically. This is a start, but Jesus demands more. Note the entire sentence "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another" (John 13:34). Jesus loved us so much that He suffered and died to redeem us. We are challenged to act selflessly, to put others ahead of ourselves, even when it comes to our own lives. This is a challenge Jesus gives His followers.



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Am I willing to put others before myself? How can I show this love for my sisters and brothers?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

PARISH NEWS

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed especially Marian Fletcher, Theresa Venturino and Deacon Wallace Zambrana.



*Rest in Peace*



THE ALTAR FLOWERS, ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP AND ALTAR CANDLES have been donated in memory of Gabriel Nanoia by Lou and Angela Brusco.



The FLOWERS IN FRONT OF THE ALTAR are donated by the Confirmation Class in honor and memory of their living and deceased family members.

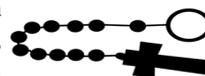


RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

Our May service project is a snack collection for Ronald McDonald House located at Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla. The Ronald McDonald House provides families with critically ill and traumatically injured children an atmosphere of comfort, hope and courage, keeping them close to the care and resources they need. The House has 12 bedrooms that are filled to capacity almost every night. They also provide meals, laundry and respite services for the families during their stay at the Center. We try to help in a small way by collecting snacks for the families when they come back to the home in the evening. We are not looking for huge amounts, a simple bag of cookies, chips or pretzels will do. A box will be in the back of church next weekend for you to drop your donation. Please support this very worthy cause.



The ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY is planning their year end dinner, on Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at Calabria Mia Restaurant at 2150 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10710. The cost is \$30 per person. Please contact Dolly De Rosa at 914 965-0975 or Liz Mulvaney at 914 403-8844. Reservations and money are due no later than Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. All women of the parish are invited. Please join us!!!



Wedding Jubilee Mass and Celebration at St. Bart's



There will be a Mass at St. Bartholomew's for St. Bartholomew's couples who are celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary anytime this year (2019) on June 9<sup>th</sup>. The couple(s) will be blessed and honored during the 11:30 Mass which will be followed by a Reception in the McManus Parish Center. Please call the Parish Office to let us know if you are celebrating this special anniversary, no later than Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.

PARISH EVENTS

*May*



SUNDAY, MAY 19<sup>TH</sup>, CONFIRMATION AT 11:30 A.M. MASS

*June*

SUNDAY, JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup>, COMMUNION BREAKFAST AFTER THE 10 A.M. MASS

SUNDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>, ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY YEAR END DINNER AT 6:30 P.M. AT CALABRIA MIA RESTAURANT

SATURDAY, JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>, CULTURAL NIGHT, SEE THE FLYER IN TODAY'S BULLETIN.

THURSDAY, JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, HEALING MASS WITH ST. ANTHONY BREAD, 7 P.M.



FRIDAY, JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>, OUR SECOND "POCKETBOOK" BINGO AT 7 P.M.

SUNDAY, JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>, FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST AFTER THE 8:30 AND 10 A.M. MASSES

SATURDAY, JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>, TAG SALE, 9 AM TO 3 PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup>, THE PARISH PICNIC, 12 NOON TO 5 P.M.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27<sup>TH</sup>, LIFE LINE SCREENING, CALL TO PRE REGISTER AT 1 888-653-6450. SEE THE FLYER IN TODAY'S BULLETIN.

**FATHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY, JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>**

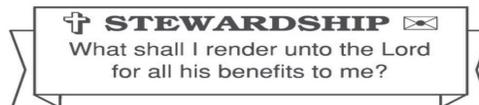
We will have a 9 day Novena of Masses for all our fathers, living and deceased. The Novena of Masses will begin on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> and will end on Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. There are cards and/or envelopes at the back of the church if you want your father, father-in-law or any other father remembered in the Novena of Masses. Please fill out the envelope and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office during the week.

**THE FOOD PANTRY** is in need of juices, canned fruit, and macaroni and cheese. Thank you for your support.

Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building. Their next meeting is Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Follow our Youth Group on Twitter @ St\_Barts-Youth.

Our **EDGE GROUP (AGES 11-13)** meets the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass in the school building.

Our **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (AGES 4-10)** meets the third Friday each month at 6:30 p.m. in the school building.



TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING  
Sunday Collection Update

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| Amount Needed Weekly                     | \$7,000.00         |
| Actual Received Last Sunday              | \$5,378.05         |
| Balance                                  | - \$1,621.95       |
| *(Envelopes \$4,738.05, \$640.00 Online) |                    |
| Amount Needed for Month of May           | <b>\$28,000.00</b> |
| Amount Collected Thus Far                | \$10,471.20        |

"Thank you to all those who are participating in our tithing program! May God bless and reward your sacrifices! For those who are not yet tithing, I encourage you to please give it a prayerful thought. Thank you!

**It's time to sign up for on line giving with We Share. Please contact the parish office or fill out the cards at the rear of the Church.**



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Audrey Falcone, Louis Brusco, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary De Santis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Larry Vandak, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Edison Blanco, Steven Sarich, Larry Mesler, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jerry Esposito, Jeri Michele Sugrue and Douglas Newhard.

**Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.**

**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.

**EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION:** Held the First Friday of every month at 1 p.m. Please join us when you are able.

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION:** Held the First Saturday of every month at 3 p.m. All are encouraged to participate.

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*Mass for the  
Intentions Week*

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

5:00 PM Deacon Bob Clemens (Living)  
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**Sunday, May 19, 2019  
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

8:30 AM Robert Liddell +  
10:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers  
11:30 AM Paul, Maddalena & Ralph Coniglio +  
5:00 PM John Nieman +  
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**Monday, May 20  
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM Novena For Our Living & Deceased Mothers  
9:00 AM Thomas Goff +

**Tuesday, May 21  
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM William J. Benarczyk, Jr. +

**Wednesday, May 22  
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM Gabriel Nanoia +  
9:00 AM In Honor of St. Rita & The Holy Trinity

**Thursday, May 23  
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM Renee Capuano (Living)  
9:00 AM Edward & Judith Casey (Living)

**Friday, May 24  
Easter Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Angela Reyes +

**Saturday, May 25  
Easter Weekday**

9:00 AM Carmela, Frank & Dina Legio +  
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**Saturday, May 25 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Giovanni & Antonina Cucchiella +  
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**Sunday, May 26, 2019  
Sixth Sunday of Easter**

8:30 AM Lucyanne Caruso +  
10:00 AM Linda & Gene Skelly +  
11:30 AM Luciano & Sal La Bruzzo +  
5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

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**LOCAL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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!!!! **Go to: [www.saintbartsparish.org](http://www.saintbartsparish.org) and click on the We Share online giving link. (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY).**



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*Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sister Eileen Clifford, OP at 646 794-2949 or [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the archdiocesan website at [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). In keeping with the archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.*

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**St. Augustine Church, Larchmont, NY** announces its next Bereavement Support Group from May 6<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. This group meets every Monday from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information please call 914 834-1220, ext. 23 or [srmuriel@staugustineny.org](mailto:srmuriel@staugustineny.org)

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**STEAM INTO SCA (Saint Catherine Academy:** STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) is a comprehensive one month summer program, July 1-26<sup>th</sup>, for rising 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls. The program reinforces Math, Reading and English language skills, as well as classes in art, dance, robotics, coding and sports. A great way to spend the summer, make new friends and progress academically, Program fee: \$750, includes daily lunch, course materials and two T shirts. For more information, please contact Tracy Keelin, [tkeelin@scahs.org](mailto:tkeelin@scahs.org) or 718 882-2882, Ext. 122. Additional information is available at [www.scahs.org](http://www.scahs.org).

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**CONFIRMATION PRAYER**

Loving God,

You are the giver of all we possess,  
the source of all of our blessings.

We thank and praise you.

Thank you for the gift of our children.

Help us to set boundaries for them,  
and yet encourage them to explore.

Give us the strength and courage to treat  
each day as a fresh start.

May our children come to know you, the  
one true God,

and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

May your Holy Spirit help them to grow  
in faith, hope, and love,  
so they may know peace, truth, and  
goodness.

May their ears hear your voice.

May their eyes see your presence in all things.

May their lips proclaim your word.

May their hearts be your dwelling place.

May their hands do works of charity.

May their feet walk in the way of Jesus Christ,  
your Son and our Lord. Amen.

