

# Saint Bartholomew's Church

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## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Now I have seen and testified that he is  
the Son of God.” - Jn 1:34

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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  
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

Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday (Vigil);  
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, 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

**REVERENCE FOR GOD HELPS US  
TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS**



At the time that Isaiah (actually "Second Isaiah," as scripture scholars call him) wrote these words, the Chosen People had suffered a crushing loss to Nebuchadnezzar and the Babylonian Empire. The temple was destroyed, Jerusalem laid waste, and the people scattered to live among their enemies. Yes Isaiah says that restoring the survivors of Israel is not enough. The Lord's servant must spread God's salvations to the ends of the earth. God's salvation, like the light on the mountaintop, should spread indiscriminately among friend and foe alike. The Chosen People have been defeated and devastated. They cannot even count on their own nation's survival. They cannot know that their nation or temple will ever be restored. Yes Isaiah tells them that God's salvation must reach across all of Babylon, the very empire responsible for the death and suffering of a generation of their families.

The words we heard at the beginning of Mass today echo Paul's words to the Corinthians at the beginning of his first letter to them. The word we will hear inviting us to receive the Eucharist echo John the Baptist's words, when seeing Jesus. The words and message we hear today and every day we celebrate the Eucharist have been faithfully passed down to us from nearly two thousand years ago.

Scholars debate about whom Isaiah is referring to when he repeatedly writes of a servant of the Lord. Is it Israel, as is implied in 49:3; Isaiah himself, as implied in 49:5; or the one who is to come? Christians see Jesus as the fulfillment of these prophecies, formed from the womb (49:5) to bring salvation to all people (49:6) and thereby revealing the glory of God (49:3).



**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

Am I willing to serve those who are not of my own tribe, as did Jesus, as did Isaiah, Paul, and John the Baptist?

**Blessings**

**Fr. Raphael, Ezech, MSP**

**January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Day of Prayer for the Legal  
Protection of Unborn children  
Pray for all our Unborn !!**



**PARISH NEWS**



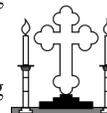
**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR'S BIRTHDAY :** This Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> is a legal holiday. The Parish Office will be closed; and there will be one Mass at 9 a.m. on that day.

**Parish Pastoral Council:** The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will meet this Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in rectory basement. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting.



**THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE AND ALTAR CANDLES** AND are donated in loving memory of John Nieman by Patricia Nieman.

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**THE SANCTUARY LAMP** is donated in loving memory of Rosa Troia.



**CHILDREN'S MASS:** Please make it a point to bring your child to our Children's Mass at 10 a.m. and for the rest of the Sunday's in January. The 10 a.m. Mass will focus on our children. The Parish Children's Choir will sing at this Mass. The children are encouraged to sit with other children at a designated place during the Mass.



**January Religious Education Service Project – Elizabeth Seton Children's Hospital, Yonkers NY**

At Elizabeth Seton Children's Hospital, the mission is to give a full and happy life to children who have some of the most challenging and limiting medical conditions on earth. They are distinctive in their care, teaching and determination to give these young people a transformative chance to thrive. They provide overnight stays to families who have a child in the facility and have a need for the following items:



**Hand Wipes, Flushable Wipes, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Packs of Emergen C (powder mix), Coffee Pods for the Keurig, Coffee Pods for the Nespresso, and Non refrigerated Coffee Mate**

Please deposit your donations in the box marked for Elizabeth Seton located in the back of the church. All donations must be received by January 26<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!!!

**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.





**SAVE THE DATE**

*St. Bart's Annual Winter Festival Dinner-Dance, is Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. See the representatives at the rear of the church to buy your admission tickets. Come and join us for a night of fun!! Adults: \$20, Children \$10 (Ages 12 and under) and Family \$40.*

The 2020 Mass Book is open with dates 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 birthday's, 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. Come to the Parish Office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Our **YOUTH GROUP** meets in the school building on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is this Sunday, January 19, 2020.

Our **EDGE GROUP (AGES 11-13)** meets in the school building on the second Sunday of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass. Their next meeting is Sunday, February 9, 2020.

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

**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.

**EUCCHARISTIC 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.

**SEPARATED/DIVORCED MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUP**

The next meeting of the St Augustine Church Monthly Separated/Divorced Support Group is this Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. The group will meet at 7:15 p.m. in the Back Stage Room of Kenny Hall, 111 Larchmont Avenue, Larchmont, New York. All who are divorced and/or separated are invited to come. The topic will be 'New Years Resolutions'. All discussions remain strictly confidential. Meetings are scheduled the third Tuesday of every month. For more information please call 914 834-1220 or e mail: abetkowski@staugustineny.org.

**Immaculate Conception School Open House  
Sunday, January 26, 2020 • 2 - 4 pm**

Come see what sets our Catholic, faith-based, co-educational elementary school apart from the rest! Blended learning and STEAM are at the core of our curriculum as well as our fully integrated religious program and regular devotions and student-led masses and services. Visit classes, meet teachers and students, view our 11-acre property with our advanced technology infrastructure and brand-new gym. Sample our clubs and sports including track, volleyball, basketball, archery, art, crafts, service, and robotics. Learn first-hand why ICS is *the Best!*

Home of the Crusaders! 53 Winterhill Road Tuckahoe, NY 10707. For more information, please call 914 961-3785 or email eranallo@icsschoolonline.org.



**TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING  
Sunday Collection Update**

**January 12, 2020- Tithing**

Envelopes	\$4,272.55
Online	\$ 580.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,852.55</b>

**THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR BUILDING AND GROUNDS  
TOTALLED: \$851.90**

"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, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Mary DeSantis, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutowski, 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, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Rosemarie Bartolomeo, Ann McShane, Frank Marra, Ellen Chimenti, Doreen Madonia, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy and Sister Joan Mary Gleason.

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

**You are invited to the launching of the:  
YONKERS NNORC (Neighborhood Naturally Occurring Retirement Community)**



January 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon.  
Helping Seniors Age with a Purpose  
Location is Grinton I. Will Library, Projection Room, 1500 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY  
Come and See what services are available to those 60 and older For more information, please call the Yonkers NNORC at 914 391-1323.

January 19, 2020

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Mass  for the  
Intentions Week

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

5:00 PM Clement Giuriceo +

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**Sunday, January 19, 2020**

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM Frances Starkenberg +

10:00 AM Arlene Tiplady +

11:30 AM Patrick V. Fox +

5:00 PM John Nieman +

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**Monday, January 20**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Theresa Venturino +

**Tuesday, January 21**

**Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr**

7:00 AM Jimmy Morris (Living)

9:00 AM Ines Areizaga +

**Wednesday, January 22**

**Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn  
Children**

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Rosalie Heit +

**Thursday, January 23**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM Reverend Patrick J. Mee +

9:00 AM Jack Gronowski & William Bruder +

**Friday, January 24**

**Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

7:00 AM Edward J. Casey (Living)

9:00 AM Giuseppe Casabianca +

**Saturday, January 25**

**Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle**

9:00 AM Maria Loreta Lucchetti +

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**Saturday, January 25 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM Margaret Verderosa +

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**Sunday, January 26, 2020**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM Elizabeth Laredo +

10:00 AM Robert Chappory +

11:30 AM Francine Precipuo +

5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

January 19, 2020

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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:

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Address:

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City/Zip:

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Telephone:

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Comment:

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- 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.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.