

Saint Bartholomew's Church

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



“Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.” - Mt 25:34

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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
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. 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 4:30 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: Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

REACH OUT IN MERCY AND KINDNESS

It ought to be a comfort to us to know exactly what is on the final exam. We can undoubtedly recall times when we spent hours studying a whole semester's work, not knowing what would be on the test. But thanks to today's Gospel, we know how we can inherit eternal life. Those who are welcomed into the kingdom fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, clothed the naked, cared for the ill, and visited the imprisoned. Will we take advantage of knowing the questions in advance?



Few of us are virtuous enough to care for the least among us all the time, in every circumstance. Hopefully none of us totally ignore the needy. We likely fall somewhere in between, helping when we feel we can, but ignoring the needy at other times and in some circumstances. Often we choose to spend that money on ourselves or spend that extra time on something we enjoy. We can pray for the grace to make us more generous, at the same time hoping God's mercy is even more generous.

Jesus spent His entire public ministry helping those in need: healing the sick, driving out demons, feeding thousands, washing His disciples' feet, finally giving His life for our sins. But Jesus also asked the woman at the well to draw water for Him, reclined at table and allowed Martha to serve Him, and accepted anointing with expensive perfumed oil by the woman in Bethany. Christ is in us all, giver and recipient, and it is in acts of mercy between two people that He can be seen.



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Who have I ignored or overlooked that I can reach out to now in mercy? At Thanksgiving, who can I thank for reaching out to me in my need this year?

Blessings

Fr. Raphael Ezech, MSP

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, November 22nd AT 9:30 WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:

DECEASED:

Caroline & Peter Klee
Loretta & Michael Kennedy
Rita & Edward Hoffmeister
Louis De Muro

WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:

Angelica Blanco (Living)

PARISH NEWS

THE NORMAL 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.

THE ATLAR FLOWERS, THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE, The ALTAR CANDLES, & THE ALTAR SANCTUARY LAMP are donated in loving memory of Frank G. Nanoia by Angela Brusco.



This Thursday, November 26th is Thanksgiving Day. **There will be only one Mass at 10 a.m. which will also be live streamed.** Let us give thanks to God for all His blessings. The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 26th and 27th. May each and every one of you have a blessed and peaceful Thanksgiving.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

We are still accepting registrations for this year's Religious Education program NOW. All classes in this program will be remote. **Please call Cheryl Duda immediately at 914 476-6676 if you want to register your child for this program.** Hopefully by now everyone has picked up their access code and book for the year and have followed the instructions given for logging in the first time into google classroom. All assignments will be posted on Tuesday mornings at 8 a.m. and must be completed and submitted by Sunday evening at 10 p.m.. Payment for the classes can be made by going to our parish website, saintbartparish.org, and clicking on the We Share online giving link then scrolling down to 2020-2021 Religious Education registration fees. Hit submit payment, twice and it will bring you to payment screen. Make your payment and fill out the appropriate information.



In the spirit of giving and the upcoming Christmas season **OUR CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE** will be at the rear of the church by next weekend, November 28th and 29th. Please take an ornament from the tree. It is important this ornament, indicating gender and gift specific information, be securely attached to your wrapped package. **If you cannot pick up an ornament, we can use the following**

as gifts: socks, t-shirts, slippers (male or female, medium or large), baseball caps, perfumes, body wash, lotions, cologne, canvas bags, or blankets. Please wrap this gift and place a tag noting what is inside.

The final date for returning gifts is Wednesday, December 17th. Last year we were able to donate 420 gifts to 4 different charitable organizations. Thank you as always for your generosity. And may the Lord bless you and yours during this season and always.

Helping Seniors Age in Place with a Purpose

Support and Resources for Seniors and /Caregivers; Health and Nutrition Educational Seminars, Recreational Groups, Information and Assistance, Telephone Reassurance, Technology Support, Healthcare Management, and Home Delivered meals



To register, please call 914 391-1323, Sally.pinto@yonkersny.gov

See the flyers on the table at the rear of the church!

LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSET

FOOD PANTRY: The food pantry is now open. We can use cereal, juice, pasta, pasta sauce and rice, corn, string beans, 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. **St. Bart's has added 4 new families to our list.**

May God bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.

OUTREACH—Annual Thanksgiving Basket Food Drive

The Social Ministry group is having a special Thanksgiving Food Drive.

THE COLLECTION WILL BE FROM NOVEMBER 1ST UNTIL NOVEMBER 22ND. BASKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THIS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD.

FROZEN ITEMS OR FRESH FOODS SUCH AS TURKEYS, PIES ETC. CAN BE DROPPED OFF BEFORE ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND, NOVEMBER 21ST AND NOVEMBER 22ND.

Bags are at the rear of the church. You can pick up a bag and then put your donated "Thanksgiving items" in these bags. Thank you for your generosity!!!



Boy Scouts of Troop 5 will be selling fully DECORATED CHRISTMAS WREATHS for only \$20 each, after all the Masses on Saturday, December 5th and Sunday, December 6th. If paying by check, please make check payable to Boy Scout Troop 5.



Please note that Troop 5 is always welcoming new scouts. For more information, please visit troop5yonkers.org or visit their face book page: boys scout troop 5 Yonkers. (Meetings are held every Tuesday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Bryn Mawr Park Presbyterian Church, 20 Lockwood Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10701.

**St Bart's Blood Drive – this, Friday, November 27, 2020
12 noon to 6 pm**

NY Blood Center will be conducting our **THANKSGIVING blood drive on this Friday, November 27th, 12 noon to 6 pm, in the St Bart's Gym, 15 Palmer Road, Yonkers, NY.** This will be our 97th drive since 1981.

NYBC announced an emergency appeal for donors as COVID-19 has fundamentally changed the process for donating blood. The pandemic has reduced donations by two-thirds this year. NYBC will allow WALKINS only if the room capacity permits.

It is preferable to make appointments by using:

https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/280910

Search by City or Zip.

It will be critical to be on time for your scheduled appointment. You can change your appointment time on the web site before Nov 27th, noon, as long as there is a slot available. NYBC will be collecting regular and ALYX blood donations.

NYBC will be taking every precaution necessary to ensure the safety of every donor and medical personnel. Social distancing will meet FDA and CDC guidelines. Face covering will be mandatory. NYBC personnel will take the donor's temperature before entering the gym. If you have any medical eligibility concerns, you can contact NYBC at 800-688-0900. Please feel free to contact me for any other questions, including scheduling an appointment, if you have difficulty.

Regards, Anthony Sciacca, Chairperson, St Bart's Blood Drive

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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 Lutomski, 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, Gianna Whitehead, Gloria DeLuccy, Dan Panik, Dominick Francis Marra, Walter Duda and Edward Minozzi.

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.

**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******

November 22, 2020

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Saturday, November 21 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, November 22, 2020

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:30 AM Angelica Blanco (Living)
Caroline & Peter Klee +
Loretta & Michael Kennedy +
Rita & Edward Hoffmeister +
Louis De Muro

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

Monday, November 23

Weekday

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Frank, Carmela, & Dina Legio +

Tuesday, November 24

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs

7:00 AM No Intention

9:00 AM Herbert Kurz +

Wednesday, November 25

Weekday

7:00 AM No intention

9:00 AM Frank G. Nanoia +

Thursday, November 26

Weekday—Thanksgiving

10:00 AM For All the People of Our Parish

Friday, November 27

Weekday

9:00 AM Robert & Lillian Kurtz +

Saturday, November 28

Weekday

9:00 AM Frank G. Nanoia +

Saturday, November 28 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish

Sunday, November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

9:30 AM Albert Pragana +
Pasquale Capuano +
Louis Brusco +
Patrick V. Fox +
Edith D'Aquila +

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

November 22, 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 of New York, 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

CHRIST THE KING

