



# Saint Bartholomew Church

A faith community in the Roman Catholic Tradition Since 1959



## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Catholic Community of Saint Bartholomew is to build our lives in the image of Christ through love, worship and service.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m., Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,  
& 12:00 p.m.

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 a.m., Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every First Friday, 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., (October—May)

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday or by appointment, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

## BAPTISM

The sacrament is celebrated on Sundays at 1:15 p.m. with the exception in Lent. Please contact the parish office.

## MARRIAGE

Marriage is a major step in anyone's life. If you are planning your marriage, please contact the parish office one year in advance.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Parish Office  
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The Parish Center is open Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m.– 12 Noon

WEBSITE: www.stbartseb.org FLOCKNOTE: Text STBARTEB to 84576

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 22, 2020



## MASS SCHEDULE



WWW.MASS-ONLINE.ORG

### SATURDAY, March 21, 2020: Lenten Weekday

5:00 P.M. Vito Vaccaro r/o Chris & Lucy Perrino

### SUNDAY, March 22, 2020: Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 A.M. JoAnn Mecca r/o The Frikker Family  
John O'Kane r/o Denise Mason & Camille  
10:00 A.M. Martin & Mary Murphy r/o Ann Ryan  
12:00 P.M. Claire Agosta r/o The Agosta Family

### MONDAY, March 23, 2020: Lenten Weekday; Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

8:30 A.M. Veronica LaFace r/o JoAnn & Tony Razzano  
7:00 P.M. Deacon John McShane r/o Nicholas & Andrea Gatto

### TUESDAY, March 24, 2020: Lenten Weekday; Saint Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr

8:30 A.M. Vincent Spinella r/o Mary Spinella

### WEDNESDAY, March 25, 2020: The Annunciation of The Lord

8:30 A.M. Larry Prendergast r/o Joyce Hall  
7:00 P.M. Joseph Gillespie r/o David & Lori Germain

### THURSDAY, March 26, 2020: Lenten Weekday

8:30 A.M. The Intentions of the Parishioners of  
St. Bartholomew Parish

### FRIDAY, March 27, 2020: Lenten Weekday

8:30 A.M. Joseph D. Novak r/o Anita & David Nevius  
7:00 P.M. William Golden r/o Fr. Thomas Walsh

### SATURDAY, March 28, 2020: Lenten Weekday;

8:00 A.M. Edmundo Bibera r/o The Bibera Craig Family  
5:00 P.M. The DiRenzo Family r/o Carmen & Tony DiRenzo

### SUNDAY, March 29, 2020: Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 A.M. Stanley & Nela Wierzbicki r/o Bob & Ann Wierzbicki  
Daniel DiMaio r/o The Frikker Family  
10:00 A.M. John O'Kane r/o The Witt Family  
12:00 P.M. Domenico Pugliese r/o Ed & Grace Maroon

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MEMBERS  
OF OUR PARISH FAMILY WHO ARE  
SICK AS WELL AS THOSE  
MEMBERS WHO ARE SERVING IN  
THE ARMED FORCES

## Calendar of Events

### March 2020

No celebration of Mass & no Parish Activities before 3 April.  
Register for FLOCKNOTE! You can find the information on  
the bottom of the cover of the bulletin.

### April 2020

5 Altar Rosary Corp. Comm. 8:00 a.m. Mass  
PALM SUNDAY  
8 **Parish Office Closing at Noon**  
9 **Holy Thursday—Parish Office Closed**  
10 **Good Friday—Parish Office Closed**  
12 Easter Sunday  
13 **Easter Monday—Parish Office Closed**

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#### Make an act of faith

Come up with your own prayer or use a traditional one to express to the Lord our faith in his real presence in the Eucharist.



#### Make an act of love

Say a prayer that expresses your love and gratitude to the Lord. Thank Him for his infinite love as well.

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## 4 steps for Spiritual Communion



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#### Express your desire to receive him

As you are not able to physically receive the Lord, express your desire to receive Him in your heart.



#### Invite Jesus to come into your heart

With a humble and contrite heart we ask the Lord to come to us just as He would if we were able to receive the sacrament.

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### March 22, 2020: Fourth Sunday of Lent

First: Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 1-13a

Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 4,5,6 (1)

Second: Ephesians 5: 8-14

Gospel: John 9: 1-41

## Sacraments of the Church

### Infant Baptism

The Sacrament is celebrated on Sunday at 1:15 PM. by appointment only. A Pre-Baptism Catechetical Session is required for parents. Godparents (Sponsors) must be practicing Catholics and at least 14 years of age. A practicing non-Catholic Christian may act as a witness along with a Catholic Sponsor.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

We welcome all unbaptized individuals, friends, family members and neighbors who are not Roman Catholic Christians or those individuals within the Catholic Tradition who may have never received the Sacraments of the Holy Eucharist or Confirmation to participate in our parish program for adult Christian Initiation at this time. This program is also ideal for baptized Christians of other Christian denominations who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. If you know of someone who may wish to experience the richness of our Catholic Faith and who desires to participate fully in the sacramental life of the Church.

Please contact Barbara Bunag at 732-257-7722.

### Christian Marriage

The Sacrament of Matrimony requires an extensive period of preparation. Contact must be made with Parish Center one year in advance.

### Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist and the anointing of the sick is available to our parish sick and shut-ins upon request. Please inform the parish concerning the needs of the sick by calling the Parish Office. If any member of the parish is hospitalized, please notify the Parish Office immediately so that a member of the Pastoral Staff may visit.

### Weekly Offering



March 14th & 15th, 2020:	\$10,370.80
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“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” -Colossians 3:17



Dear Friends,

During this unique time, many of us are asking ourselves, "What can I do?". In times of uncertainty it is easy to fill our hearts with worry and anxiety. We pray that you take the suggested precautions for health and safety at this time, and then turn to God in prayer, He is always with us.

#### What you can do:

Make an Act of Spiritual Communion - Visit [mass-online.org](http://mass-online.org)

Call your elderly neighbors to check in.

Maintain Social Distancing

Follow along with updates from the CDC and WHO

Avoid Fear and Panic. We are a people of trust

Fr. Thomas & I are keenly aware from the feedback we have received that being unable to receive the Eucharist at Mass is a spiritual hardship. Please know we are remembering all of you as we celebrate Mass each day in private.

Unfortunately, there is a practical hardship also for many of you that are not at work and are concerned about paying bills on time. This, too, is a concern of ours, as we have to continue running the parish and paying bills while weekend Masses are suspended. As I am sure you are aware, it is because of your weekly generosity that we are able to have so many events & ministries here at Saint Bartholomew.

If possible, we are asking those faith-filled parishioners to please consider registering with **Faith Direct**, which is our eGiving platform. Through Faith Direct you can make all of your contributions to St. Bartholomew (Parish Code NJ727) via automatic payment from your checking account or credit card – just as you may do now with your mortgage, household bills, and other monthly payments. This is a great way to simplify your giving – and it is the most cost-effective, environmentally-friendly way for us to receive your gifts.

Please visit our website [www.stbartseb.org](http://www.stbartseb.org) to register for online giving!

Thank You – Be Safe!



COVER SHEET

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Please call Linda @ 732-257-7722 ext.31

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