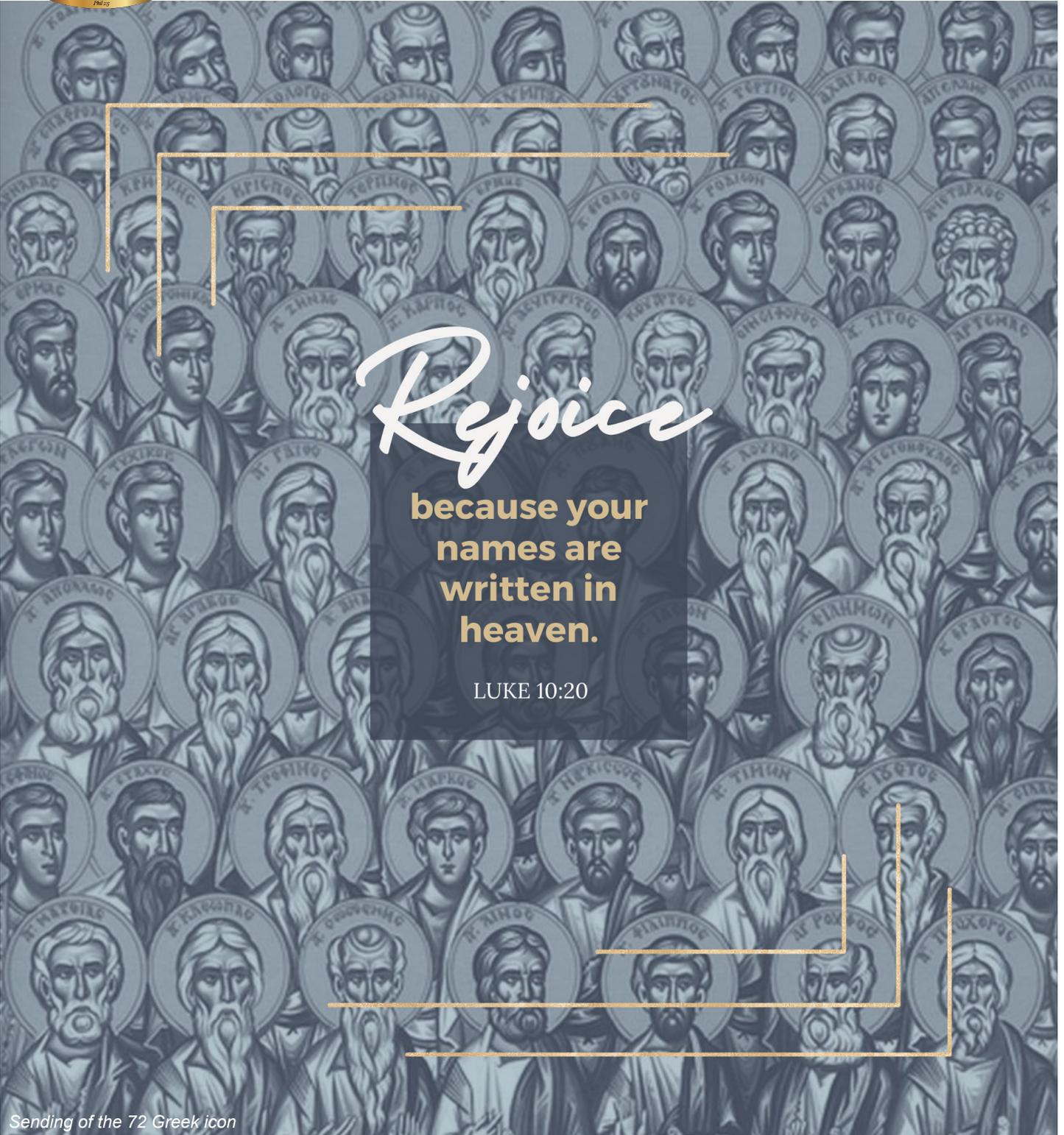




ST. BARTHOLOMEW the APOSTLE

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 3, 2022



Rejoice

**because your
names are
written in
heaven.**

LUKE 10:20

Sending of the 72 Greek icon

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JULY 9

4:00PM Confessions - Fr. Rose

5:00PM Vigil Mass - Fr. Paladino

SUNDAY, JULY 10

7:30AM - Fr. Rose

9:00AM - Fr. Ortiz

10:30AM - Fr. Gonzalez

Noon - Fr. Paladino

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PARISH MISSION

We, the Roman Catholic Community of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, are brought together by Jesus, as we recognize His presence among us in Word, Sacrament and each other. Through the grace of the Holy Spirit and the intercession of the Blessed Mother, we accept Jesus' invitation to be His disciples by using our time, talent and treasure for the benefit of all.



FROM THE DESK OF *Fr. John Paladino*

As Christians we are both disciples and apostles – called to imitate Christ and sent to share his message.

It is not uncommon to hear the words disciple and apostle interchangeably. While both are part of our faith lexicon, they do not mean exactly the same thing. Today's Gospel helps us to understand them and how they relate to our Christian identity. Jesus, having previously called the Twelve and sent them out to preach and heal, is now sending seventy-two more disciples – again with the same message and task.

So, what is the difference between the two? By definition, a disciple is one who learns from or follows: a student. It is the root of the word "discipline." Each of us, by our baptism, is made a disciple of Christ.

An apostle, on the other hand, is one who is sent forth – to preach and share the teachings of another with others. These two titles, or descriptions, are different and yet related – for clearly, one must be a disciple before being an apostle. Otherwise, what would one have to share and preach?

Saint Paul, writing to the Galatians, knew the difference and fully embraced both identities. Having begun as a persecutor, Paul encountered Christ on the road to Damascus and experienced a radical conversion to being a follower of Christ. Through that first life-changing moment and then, through the witness of the other disciples and the community in Damascus, Paul is equipped to be both disciple and apostle.

Historically, the Scriptures – and the Church – have reserved the use of the word Apostle, with a capital "A," to refer to the Twelve – or, with a lower case "a," to mean those of Jesus' time who were sent with the authority of Christ to evangelize. All Apostles are disciples, but not all disciples are apostles. More colloquially, many of us may have heard it said that "we become disciples by our baptism and apostles (lowercase "a") at our confirmation."

Despite this lesson in etymology and historical usage, the focus here is really less on the "titles" and more on the roles. We, too, must first embrace the Gospel and make it our own – become that disciple who not only knows its challenges and joys but is intentional about living out its mandates on a daily basis. Only then can we be prepared to embrace our identity as apostles – who go forth as missionary disciples to share the Gospel with others.

People often ask why being part of a vibrant parish is so important to our identity. The answer is simple: The parish should be a place where every believer finds the resources and opportunities to grow as both disciples and apostles. It should be a house of prayer, a school of formation, and a refuge in times of need. It should equip the faithful at all levels to be ready to live and share the Gospel.

This coming week, perhaps we might reflect on our role as disciple and apostle and on how well we are prepared for the mission. May God help us rely upon him for our needs.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. John J. Paladino". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



Spotlight on Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time is the longest season of the liturgical year. It begins the Monday after January 6th, the Epiphany, and goes until the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. That period can last anywhere from five to eight weeks, depending on when Easter is celebrated. Ordinary Time picks up again the Monday after Pentecost Sunday and lasts from twenty-three to twenty-seven weeks, until the end of the liturgical year, the Saturday before Advent begins.

Why the name ordinary? "Ordinary" is not in contrast to "extraordinary" or "special" but rather stresses the Latin language notion of "ordinal" or numbered Sundays. The Latin title for the season, tempus ordinarium, conveys the sense that this time of the year is measured or numbered time. Measured time can allude simply to the numbered Sundays, or the notion that these Sundays are "measured" time to deepen and immerse ourselves completely in the realities of Jesus' incarnation, ministry, passion, death and resurrection. Ordinary Time offers us the opportunity to connect the ordinary lived experiences of our lives with those of Jesus, who modeled for us how to live a truly human existence.

How to Enter into Ordinary Time:

- Become more conscious of the ways you experience God in ordinary moments of life - in the smiles of your children, in the beauty of nature, in the kindness of a friend or spouse...
- Spend some time praying in nature or enjoying God's creation on a walk!
- Take a look at your daily routines and find opportunities to break old/bad habits and start new, positive ones. Even simple ones, like writing down three things you are grateful for at the end of the day.
- Take time to read the daily Gospel or the Sunday Gospel at least once a week - this is a great season to slow down and tune in to what Jesus wants to teach us about how to live well, even in the most ordinary moments of life.

The Church is back in ordinary time, but every day is extraordinary. a gift from God, and can be an outburst of God's grace and mercy.

- TIMOTHY CARDINAL DOLAN



ST. BARTHOLOMEW ACADEMY

The Catholic Academy that makes a difference in your child's life.

Preschool Aide (Part Time)

Work with our preschool teacher and assist students during class and lunch time. Hours vary, but are usually 9-2PM or 8-1PM.

Must have or be willing to obtain a Protecting God's Children Certificate.

First Grade and PreK 3 Teachers (Full Time)

Teach students the Archdiocesan curriculum of Math, ELA, Religion, Social Studies, and Spanish in a self-contained classroom. Hours are 7:45AM to 3:30PM.

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It's STEM with an art and religion component added to it! Teach students in grades Prek-5 in our new STEM lab. Collaborate with teachers to extend their curriculum.

For Teaching positions: Must have NJ State certification and have or be willing to obtain Protecting God's Children Certificate.

Send resume to: Kim Harrigan, Principal at sbapincipal@stbacademy.org



YOUTH STEUBENVILLE TRIP

Thank you for your generous support of our students who are going to Steubenville for the Fearless Youth Conference. The conference is inspired by John 16:33:

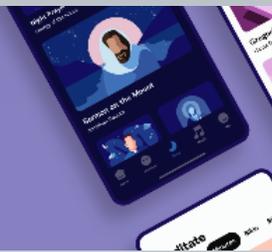
I have told you this so that you might have peace in me. In the world, you will have trouble, but take courage: I have conquered the world.

Please pray for us, our teens and adult chaperones, who are journeying out to Steubenville, Ohio for the conference, that God would open the hearts of all who attend to encounter Him in a new way over this weekend (July 8-10).

Catholic Resources

Hallow

The #1 Catholic
Meditation App



We hope that you enjoyed our parish subscription to the Hallow Catholic prayer app earlier this year. Our Holy Day Package has come to an end, but if you would like to continue using the app, we have been given a 30% promotional code for anyone that is interested in signing up for the yearly subscription. Scan the QR code to access the discount.

FIND A CATHOLIC CHURCH ANYWHERE!

There really is a app for everything... It's that time of year - Summer vacations are upon us! As we make time to rest and relax, let's remember to continue to make time



for God! It can be difficult to coordinate when and where to go to Sunday Mass while you're out of town and travelling, but MassTimes makes it easy! Simply visit WWW.MASSTIMES.ORG, type in the zip code of the area that you are searching, and MassTimes will give you the locations of all Catholic Churches nearby as well as the times that Mass and other liturgical services are celebrated. It's that easy!

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Happy Fourth of July!

God, source of all freedom,

This day is bright with the memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being. Help us to continue a good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong: that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth.

Turn our hearts toward the family of nations: to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship, and to find safety only in the common good of all/ Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Around the Community

COMMUNITY SENIOR LUNCHEONS

Please join us for lunch! Scotch Plains has become one of 24 sites hosting the Union County Congregate Nutrition Program. The lunches are held every Tuesday from approximately 11:30am – 1:30pm at the Shady Rest Country Club. The meals, which are paid through Federal grant funds, consist of a hot protein entre; vegetable, or salad; potato, pasta or rice; bread; milk; and soup or juice.

Any person who is 60 years of age or older is cordially invited to participate. There are no income guidelines to participate; however a voluntary donation of \$1.75 per meal is suggested. If one person of a couple is under age 60, the suggested donation is \$4.00. Donations are used to offset the cost of the meals and to expand the program.

Prayer Intentions & Sacraments

SUNDAY, JULY 3

- 7:30AM **Pietro Monaco**
req. by the Dugan Family
Thomas F. Conniff
req. by Joan & Steve Falloon
- 9:00AM **Nancy Myska**
req. by Kevin Lewis
Pietro Monaco
req. by Alfonso & Rosaria Isolda
- 10:30AM **Philip & Romano Del Negro**
req. by brother, Nick, Angela & Family
Romano Del Negro
req. by Giovanni & Costanza Passucci
- Noon **Barbara Germinder (1st Anniversary)**
req. by Dennis Blasi
Nicholas Silano, Jr.
req. by Mother & Sister

MONDAY, JULY 4

- No 6:30AM Mass for the holiday
- 8:30AM **All those who have no one to pray for them**
req. by a Friend

TUESDAY, JULY 5

- 6:30AM **People of the Parish**
- 8:30AM **All those who have no one to pray for them**
req. by a Friend

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

- 6:30AM **Olga Tolosko**
req. by Anna Stillo
- 8:30AM **Gilda & Jessie Sapaden**
req. by Gee Fontanilla & Tina Zarejko

THURSDAY, JULY 7

- 6:30AM **Antonio Dyogi**
req. by Catherine Delacruz
- 8:30AM **Salvatore Giorgio**
req. by Dr. & Mrs. Santoriello

FRIDAY, JULY 8

- 6:30AM **Esmie Fenandoe**
req. by Loving Family
- 8:30AM **Lena Battaglia**
req. by the Duane Family

SATURDAY, JULY 9

- 8:30AM **Oswaldo Melendez**
req. by Jacqueline Melendez
- 5:00PM **Concetta & Mauro Checchio**
req. by granddaughter, Barbra
Harry T. Yessman
req. by Tim & Kathy Yessman

SUNDAY, JULY 10

- 7:30AM **Patricia Marie Montgomery**
req. by Tom & Mary Stachowiak
Pietro Monaco
req. by Zaida Patrone & Family
- 9:00AM **Carol Rachko**
req. by Richard & Linda Scannell
Theresa Ginesi (9th Anniversary)
req. by Daughter and Family
- 10:30AM **Elena DiFiore**
req. by Antonietta DiNizo
Grace Caramico
req. by the Duthie Family
- Noon **Nancy Bonicioli**
req. by Joan & Steve Falloon
Esterina Verducci
req. by the Swenson Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Edilberto Agaton Jr, Santino Agosta, Elizabeth Barker, Jacob Benedicto, Francesca Cafolla, Maritoni Caceres Padilla, Kaitlyn Marie Cole, Rina Conti, Terri DeVany, Kathleen "Kay" Duff, Tami Eddy, Palmiro Ferraro, Emma Lara, Nadine Martinson, Arthur W. Morgan, Peter Morgan, Jennifer Munoz, James Pettit, Richard Quigley, Maureen Vincent, Dolores Waltsak, Melinda Williams, Franca Zingariello, Joe Zingariello, Lenore

Lord, hear our prayer.

Please Note:

For privacy reasons and HIPAA regulations, names may only be added by **members of the immediate family** after they have received permission of the one who is sick.

In the event of serious illness or hospitalization, the rectory should be notified. Visits to the sick and shut-ins are made by the priests, deacons and ministers of the Eucharist. It is not necessary for someone to be "gravely ill" to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Celebrating the Sacraments

Baptism

We are excited to welcome your child into the Church, the family of God, through the Sacrament of Baptism!

Baptisms are celebrated throughout the month on Saturdays and Sundays. First-time parents are required to complete Baptismal Preparation, which provides a great opportunity to meet other young parents and to dive deeper into the beauty of this First Sacrament. Please register in advance by calling (908) 322-5192.

Congratulations to the Newly Baptized:

Alexandra Jeanette, daughter of Matthew & Corinne Varhely
Avalynne Patricia, daughter of Dennis & Francesca Tuorto
Vincent James, son of Vincent & Samantha Patalano
Anne Geiger, daughter of Brendan & Madeline Buttitta
Conor Thomas, son of Michael & Dana Sanford
Violet, daughter of Brett & Isabela Buttacavoli
Christopher George, son of Steven & Olivia Alleman
Henry Nicholas, son of Paul & Angela Zielinski
Lucan Gabriel, son of James & Tamara Arcilia
Valentina Isabel, daughter of James & Tamara Arcilia
Jackson Joseph, son of Douglas & Jennifer Stracquadanio
Ella Grace, daughter of Srikanth & Adrienne Reddy
Gianna Luna, daughter of Bruce & Gina Mari Knotts
Shea Margaret, daughter of Christopher & Margaret Horn
Peter James, son of Christopher & Margaret Horn
Harrison Peter, son of Daniel & Stephanie Lukasiewicz
Charli Jaymes, daughter of Anthony & Cami Statile
Edward George, son of George & Stacey Krauss
Casey Jade, daughter of Joel & Candice DeBrosse

Reconciliation

Reconciliation is an opportunity to receive the outpouring of God's love and mercy. The Father waits for us with open arms! Confession is offered every Saturday at 4PM or call the rectory to schedule an appointment.



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Envelope Collection	\$ 7,053
Faith Direct (online giving)	\$ 12,735
Total	\$ 19,787

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ONLINE GIVING UPDATE

We are streamlining and simplifying the giving process for our parishioners. Our giving platform is moving from FaithDirect to a service called PushPay. The new process will enable you to give with just a touch of a button from your smartphone or through an easy online giving portal. Please visit our website stbartholomewchurch.org for more information.



If you would like to try out the new platform, simply text **STBARTGIVE** to **(833) 921-6421** or scan the QR code here with your mobile device. Thank you for your support of our faith community!

Available Services

MASS AVAILABLE ON TV & ONLINE!

For the home bound Parishioner, tune in on **Sundays** at 10AM to watch Mass. Comcast channel 34 or Verizon channel 22. Watch the Mass livestream on our website and Facebook page on Saturdays at 5PM and Sundays at 9AM.

LEGAL CLINIC SERVICES

Do you live in Union County and need help with:

- Housing insecurity?
- Rental assistance?
- Legal representation?
- Credit counseling, and more?

Please contact Joe Correa immediately at:
jcorrea@thewaterfrontproject.org

www.thewaterfrontproject.org

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COUNSELING SERVICES AVAILABLE

If you are an individual, a couple or a family that is experiencing difficulties, there are counseling services available to you. All calls are confidential. Fees can be adjusted to one's financial situation. Please note, that no one will be turned away for an inability to pay. Counselors available to you:

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