

St. Bartholomew Church

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"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." (Gospel)



**WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE AND
PARTICIPATE IN OUR LITURGICAL LIFE**



Eucharist: Monday—Friday : 8:30 A.M.
Saturday: 8:00 A.M. Vigil: 5:00 P.M.
Sunday: 8:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. & 12:00 Noon

Reconciliation:

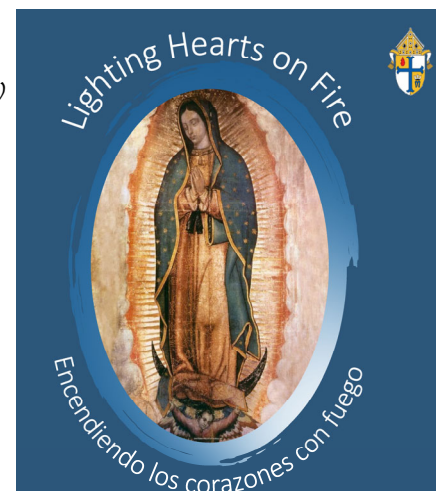
Saturday: 3:30—4:30 P.M. (or by
appointment by calling the Parish Center)

Adoration:

Every First Friday Noon to
7:00 p.m. October –May

Parish Center Hours:

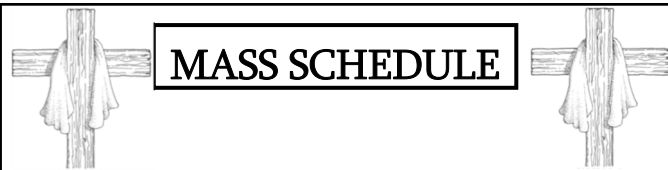
Mon to Thurs. 9:00 am—4:00 pm
Friday 9–12 Noon



ST. BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH
470 RYDERS LANE
EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ 08816
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
APRIL 7, 2019

Parish Center/Rectory
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Please visit our website
www.stbartseb.com



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY April 6, 2019: Lenten Weekday

5:00 P.M. Edward Burns r/o Deacon Jack & Judy Kenny

SUNDAY, April 7, 2019: Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 A.M. Vivienne & John Gatarz r/o The Family

Jane Sierotko r/o Lucy & Chris Perrino

10:00 A.M. Michael & Ellen Ryan r/o Ann Ryan

12:00 P.M. Robet Ahlers r/o Carbley Family

MONDAY, April 8, 2019: Lenten Weekday

8:30 A.M. Gregory Gatto r/o Norma & Cal Shapiro

7:00 P.M. Mary Migliori r/o The Counting Ladies

TUESDAY, April 9, 2019: Lenten Weekday

8:30 A.M. Liao Xian r/o Maria Ho Family

WEDNESDAY, April 10, 2019: Lenten Weekday

8:30 A.M. Margarita W.F. Lam r/o Maria Ho Family

7:00 P.M. Gregory Gatto r/o Peter and Chichi Obi

THURSDAY, April 11, 2019: Lenten Weekday

Saint Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyrs

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

Dennis D'Angelo r/o Fr. Thomas Walsh

FRIDAY, April 12, 2019: Lenten Weekday

8:30 A.M. 58th Wedding Anniversary of Dario & Ligaya
Endiape r/o Rev. Dario Endiape

7:00 P.M. Ida Larstanna r/o The Carulli Family

SATURDAY, April 13, 2019: Lenten Weekday

Saint Martin I, Pope & Martyr

8:00 A.M. Jeffrey Pfeifer r/o Barbara Pfeifer

5:00 P.M. Joseph Boyle r/o The Family

SUNDAY, April 14, 2019: PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

8:00 A.M. Robert Evans r/o Anita & Lou Menno

Gonzales Family r/o Daissy Santamaria

10:00 A.M. Joe & Gladys D'Amico r/o Tom & Barbara
D'Amico

12:00 P.M. Michael A. Lanza r/o Lanza & Agosta Family

Calendar of Events

APRIL 2019

- 8 Novena Mass 7:00 p.m.
- 9 **LAST DAY CCD**
Bible Study 7:30-9:00 p.m.
with Fr. Thomas Walsh in
Church
- 10 Healing Mass 7:00 p.m.
- 11 **LAST DAY CCD**
- 14 SVdP Corp. Comm. 8:00 a.m.
- 17 **Parish Office Closing**
Noon
- 18 **HOLY THURSDAY**
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- 19 **GOOD FRIDAY**
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- 20 **HOLY SATURDAY**
- 21 **EASTER SUNDAY**
- 22 **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**
- 24 First Communion Practice
6:30 p.m. Parish Hall
- 27 **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**
10:00 a.m.
SVdP FOOD Collection
- 28 Children's Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Mass
SVdP FOOD Collection
After all masses

MAY 2019

- 1 First Communion Practice
6:30 Parish Hall
- 3 Adoration 12—7:00 p.m. Mass
- 4 First Communion 10:00 a.m.
Mass
- 5 Altar Rosary Corp. Comm.
8:00 a.m. Mass
- 8 First Communion Practice
6:30 p.m. Parish Hall
- 11 First Communion 10:00 a.m.
Mass
- 12 SVdP Corp. Comm. 8:00 a.m.
Mass
- 18 Mother's Day –May Crowning
KoC Corp. Comm. 5:00 p.m.
Mass
- 19 Confirmation Practice
- 24 **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**
BEGIN –SUMMER HOURS
- 24 Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Mass
- 27 Memorial Day
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- 30 **Fr. Tom Walsh 25th**
Anniversary



INFANT BAPTISMS

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.



MATRIMONY

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



MINISTRY TO 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.

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



Weekly Offering

March 31, 2019:

\$20,154.74



From the Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Gospel for the fifth Sunday of Lent continues to offer lessons about God's Mercy and Forgiveness. Last Sunday we heard the story of the Prodigal Son from the Gospel of Luke. Today we hear not a parable, but the report from John's Gospel of an encounter among Jesus, the scribes and Pharisees, and a woman caught in adultery.

In John's Gospel, the conflict between Jesus and the scribes and Pharisees, occurs much earlier than it does in the other Gospels. The scribes and Pharisees are planning on arresting Jesus, but first they want to set a trap for him. The scribes and Pharisees approach Jesus to test him. They bring a woman caught in the very act of adultery. They put to Jesus the question of what ought to be done in this case.

According to the Law of Moses such a woman should be stoned to death. Jesus writes on the ground with his finger, and then addresses these men, "the one who is without sin should cast the first stone." Jesus returns to his writing and the men drift away one by one.

Left alone with the woman, Jesus asks where her accusers have gone. With no one left to condemn the woman, Jesus, (the one who truly is without sin) sends the woman on her way, refusing to pass judgment on her and exhorting her to avoid this sin.

Jesus' response to those who accuse the woman is more than a caution to us about judging others. It is a profound lesson in Divine mercy and forgiveness. As sinners, we are all unworthy to judge the sins of others and we would stand convicted by God for our transgressions. Yet Jesus, the one without sin and thus our judge, offers us who are sinners His Mercy and Forgiveness. Redeemed by Jesus' compassion, we are sent forth to sin no more and to live in God's love and peace.

This Monday, April 8th, Confessions will be heard after the 7pm Mass and Novena.

In Christ,
Fr. Thomas

2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal *Help Build a Civilization of Love*

To date, 344 parishioners have pledged \$105,954 and paid \$95,679. These generous pledges show great progress and put us at 61% of our parish goal of \$173,000.

Our other goal is for every family to participate. If you have not contributed yet this year, we ask you to prayerfully consider donating to the Bishop's Appeal funding over 25 diocesan and parish ministries that reach a half million people. You can take a Bishop's Appeal envelope in the Church gathering space and return it with your pledge or one-time gift in the collection basket. The Diocese of Metuchen's home page, diometuchen.org, also describes other ways to contribute including online and employer matching gifts.

Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated.



Cub Scout PACK 109 2019 Palm Cross Sale



Outside St. Bartholomew Church
After all masses
April 6 & 7 and
April 13 & 14

Please help support our Pack



2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Upon request, a statement of your 2018 Contributions will be mailed to you. Please fill out and return this form either by mail or by way of the collection basket.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Day Phone: _____ Envelope # _____



KNIGHTS KORNER



KNIGHTS COUNCIL 11873 MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Knights Council meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays of the month starting at 7:30pm. For membership information please contact our Membership Director Brother Joe Baker at 570-580-8145 or jpabaker@aol.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS KNIGHTLIFE WEB SITE

Any articles or information you would like to enter into the KnightLife or our Web Site send to jpabaker@aol.com. Our Web Site is www.stbartskofc.com. to view all Council and Assembly activities and information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11873 & ASSEMBLY 3583 MEETINGS

The next Council meeting will be on Wednesday April 17th, at 7:30pm and April 17th. The next Assembly meeting will be on Wednesday April 10, at 7:30pm..

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DISABILITY DRIVE

We will be having this event on March 30th, 31st and April 6th & 7th at Shop Rite and Stop & Shop in East Brunswick. Please sign up see SK Tom Garrett at the next Council meeting on March 20th.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORPORATE MASS

The next Corporate Mass will be on Saturday April, 20th at 5pm.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "PRIDE IN OUR PRIESTS DINNER

This event will be held on Wednesday May 1st at the Grand Marquis in Old Bridge. Anyone that would like to attend contact our GK Leo Fitzgerald to sign up. The cost
Is \$60 per person.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUDDY BALL

Opening day for Buddy Ball is Saturday April 6th. Their will be a Parade at 10am from Crystal Springs to the playground complex. If you are available come out and show your support for this worthy event.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2019

Disability Drive – Sat. & Sun. April 6th & 7th
Chapter 4, Pride in our Priests Dinner – Wednesday May 1st, 2019

CHARITY—UNITY— FRATERNITY—PATRIOTISM

St. Bartholomew School
470 Ryders Lane
East Brunswick, NJ 08816
Tel. 732-254-7105 Fax. 732-254-6352

April 6, 2019

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Parishioners,

Congratulations to the following students who will be inducted into the Ave Maria Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society on Wednesday, April 10, at 7:00 pm in the auditorium: Kenneth A., Ava A., Brittney B., Stephanie B., Ashley C., Olivia C., Sabrina H., Yoanna I., Carlie K., Dhruv Krissna L., Annaiz M., Isabella M., Isabella Q., Grace R., Sara S., Annika S., Giada S., Anna T., and Jasmine T. Students earn this distinction based on scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship, and character. We are very proud of you!

Our eighth grade will attend Teen Outreach on Tuesday, April 9. Eighth grade cap and gown photos will be taken on Tuesday, April 16.

Prospective and newly enrolled Pre-K and Kindergarten students are invited to our Story Series, which will be held in the Library beginning at 10:45 am. Please call the School Office to let us know if your child will attend. Students will listen to a story and create a craft.

Virtus Training will take place in the auditorium on Thursday, April 11, beginning at 6:00 pm. Registration is required through the Diocese of Metuchen website.

Please join us for Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, April 17, beginning at 10:30 am in the Church. Easter break begins at 11:30 am on April 17 and we return to school on April 29. Students may wear Spring uniforms when we return from break.

There are many more activities when we return from break. The Scholastic Book Fair will take place beginning April 30 through May 2. First Communion Rehearsal will be held on Wednesday, May 1, at 6:30 pm. The Spring Concert will be held on May 2. We honor our First Communion classes and their families for Family Day on May 3. Our second grade students receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion on May 4.

O Jesus, my heart is little, fearful and very timid. It will always be so. But you say, "Come to my heart. My heart is gentle and humble and very broken like yours. Do not be afraid. Come and let your heart find rest in mine and trust that all will be well." I want to come, Jesus, and be with you. Here I am, Lord, take my heart and let it become a heart filled with your love. (Henri J. M. Nouwen)

God bless you,
Mrs. Ann Wierzbicki, R.N., M.A.E./Ed.S.
Principal



2019 ALTAR ROSARY UPCOMING EVENTS

- April** 8 – Monthly Meeting – 2:00pm – K of C Hall
14-15 – **Palm Sunday Bake Sale (Sat. and Sun.)**
29 – Exec. Board Meeting – 2:00pm –
Msgr. Alliegro Rm.
- May** 5 Corporate Communion – 8:00am Mass
6 – Monthly Meeting – 2:00pm – May Crowning
Knight of Columbus Hall
20 – Exec. Board Meeting – 2:00pm –
Msgr. Alliegro Rm.
- June** 2 – Corporate Communion – 8:00am Mass
5 – **Luncheon/Installation of New Officers**
12:30pm at LAGO

All women of the Parish are always welcome to attend any of our monthly meetings held on the first Monday of the month. Being a Rosarian honors Mary in whose care Jesus has placed us.

Consider joining the Altar Rosary of St. Bartholomew, please call Ann Marie Broehl - 732.236.1466 or Nellie Moran – 732.207.9786.

**PLEASE PRAY THE ROSARY WITH
FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE GOD BLESS,
PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

Discover the Joy of being a Hospice Volunteer

If you have a warm heart, a listening ear, and the gift of compassion, you can make a difference in the life of a hospice patient or family member. VNA Health Group is offering training for all individuals interested in becoming hospice volunteers in several counties throughout New Jersey.

There are many rewards and opportunities available to hospice volunteers though home visitation, phone calls, companionship, administrative support, pet therapy, or phone calls from our office.

Training will be provided by members of the VNAHG Hospice team on 3 consecutive : Thursdays, April 18th, 25th , and May 2 from 10 am till 3:pm at VNA Health Group, 23 Main Street, Suite D1 Holmdel, NJ. Volunteers must attend all 3 sessions.
To register, please contact Pauline De Palma, BSW (732) 224-6933

I have also enclosed a flyer for you to kindly post on your bulletin board. Thank you for your help and if you have any questions or are interested in hosting this course at your location, please feel free to call me at 732-224-6933

St. Bartholomew Columbiettes



SAVE THE DATE
9th Annual Wine Tasting

Saturday April 27th
7-10 PM
St Bart's Parish Hall
Sponsored by
Adelphia Wine Company
and
St. Bartholomew Columbiettes

Tickets: \$35 Before 4/20
\$45 After 4/20
Includes food, desserts, and more!
Call Noreen at
(732) 238-5743 for tickets

The St. Bartholomew Columbiettes will be preparing Easter Baskets for children in local shelters. We welcome parishioner participation if anyone would like to help out by donating individually wrapped bags of candy, snacks, sips, or small toys. The age range of the children is 1-16 years (15 boys and 9 girls as of now). Please contact Sandy at 732 390-6493.

We will also be participating in a chapter wide Baby Shower for Life Choices in Metuchen. We will be collecting new and gently used baby items later in April. If you wish to donate items, please contact Diane at 732 605-9817.

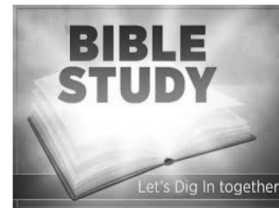
Preparations are being made for our upcoming wine tasting - Save the Date - April 27th!

The Columbiettes are always looking for Catholic Women age 17 or above to join our group. If you are interested in becoming more involved in our parish and local community, please consider joining. Contact Barbara at 732 254-5440 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION FOR 2019-2020
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR
BEGINS APRIL 1ST

PLEASE GO TO THE
ST. BARTHOLOMEW
WEB-SITE TO DOWNLOAD THE
FORMS WITH
PAYMENT INFORMATION



I am looking to form a spiritually based women's group that will be modeled after the program developed by Lisa Brenninkmeyer called **Walking With A Purpose**. The mission of **Walking With A Purpose** is to transform the hearts and lives of women by providing Bible studies that enable women to know Christ through Scripture and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. I would like to form a small group 6 to 10 woman - perhaps between the ages of 40 & 65 in my East Brunswick office. Depending upon the response, the group could be in the morning, afternoon or evening. Initially, I would like to start with the series **Fearless and Free** which meets for 6 weeks in succession. Although there would be no cost for the program, each woman would need to purchase the book that corresponds with the study. A summary of the study as well as the opportunity to purchase the book can be found at www.walkingwithpurpose.com under the heading Bible Study and then Adult Women. If interested in the group and to find out additional information, please email me at agingdignity@yahoo.com or call 732-390-6809; Kathi

25th Jubilee Anniversary Celebration in Honor of our Pastor
Reverend Thomas Joseph Walsh on his Ordination to the Holy Priesthood
Thursday, May 30, 2019 at Seven O' Clock in the Evening
Cocktail Reception followed by Dinner and Dancing to Craig Satchell's Jazz Swing Band
The Estate at Farrington Lake • 16 Patrick Street • East Brunswick, New Jersey

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Sponsorship

- ☐ PLATINUM MEDAL \$5,000 • Includes 8 Tickets and Ad
- ☐ GOLD MEDAL \$2,500 • Includes 6 Tickets and Ad
- ☐ SILVER MEDAL \$1,500 • Includes 4 Tickets and Ad
- ☐ BRONZE MEDAL \$ 700 • Includes 2 Tickets and Ad
- ☐ CHAMPION MEDAL \$ 300 • Ad only
- ☐ DONATION \$ _____
Instead of a sponsorship, I would like to make a donation

Ads will be displayed on a rotating screen throughout the evening.

Please email your ad as a JPEG or PDF file in a landscape orientation to bbunag@stbartseb.com or enclose camera ready artwork or ad with this order form. You may also include a full-color photo as part of your ad.

AD DEADLINE May 13, 2019

Dinner Reservations

_____ Dinner Ticket (s) at \$85 = \$ _____

Guest Names

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Dinner RSVP by May 13, 2019

Payment Information

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Please make check payable to:
St. Bartholomew Church

Mail to:
**25th Jubilee Anniversary Celebration
St. Bartholomew Church
470 Ryders Lane
East Brunswick, NJ 08816**

For information please call:
732-257-7722

Ad and Dinner Ticket Total \$ _____



PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE



SATURDAY April 13th

&

SUNDAY April 14th

**Stop by after Mass and purchase a delicious dessert
from the Kitchens of**

ROSARIANS & FRIENDS OF ALTAR ROSARY

All proceeds will go to support the good works of

ST. BARTHOLOMEW ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY