

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH

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The Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023

Sunday of Divine Mercy



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Welcome to New Families!

New families moving into the parish are to register at the parish office in person or by completing the registration form, found on the parish website, and mailing it to the parish office. Certificates of eligibility to sponsor a Baptism or Confirmation can be obtained at the Parish Office.

Parish Office

Ms. Barbara Bunag, Office Manager, 732-257-7722
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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9 am to 4 pm
Friday: 9 am to 12 noon

Saint Bartholomew School

Mrs. Veronica Tkacenko,
Secretary, 732-254-7105

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Vigil Mass, Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am 10:00 am
and 12 Noon

DAILY EUCHARIST

Monday-Friday: 8:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 10:00 am
in the Guadalupe Chapel

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday: 3:45-6:45 pm
(October-May)

Parish Website: www.stbartseb.org
Flocknote: Text STBARTEB to 84576
Facebook: @saintbartholomewRCchurch

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Infant Baptism: Call the parish office for information, registration, and the scheduling of baptismal class.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a process (1) for adults who were never Baptized or Baptized Christian in another church or (2) Catholics who have not celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation and Eucharist to enter into full Communion with the church. For more information, please contact Barbara Bunag in the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

“Christ is Risen!” “Alleluia!”, “He is truly Risen!” “Alleluia!”

The beauty of Holy Week and the glorious news of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday filled the Church with joy. I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the goodness of so many people for their assistance during the liturgies of Holy Week and Easter. A word of thanks to Fr. Tim for coordinating the liturgies and working so closely with our deacons and seminarians. Indeed, under his guidance the liturgies were well prepared and reverently celebrated.

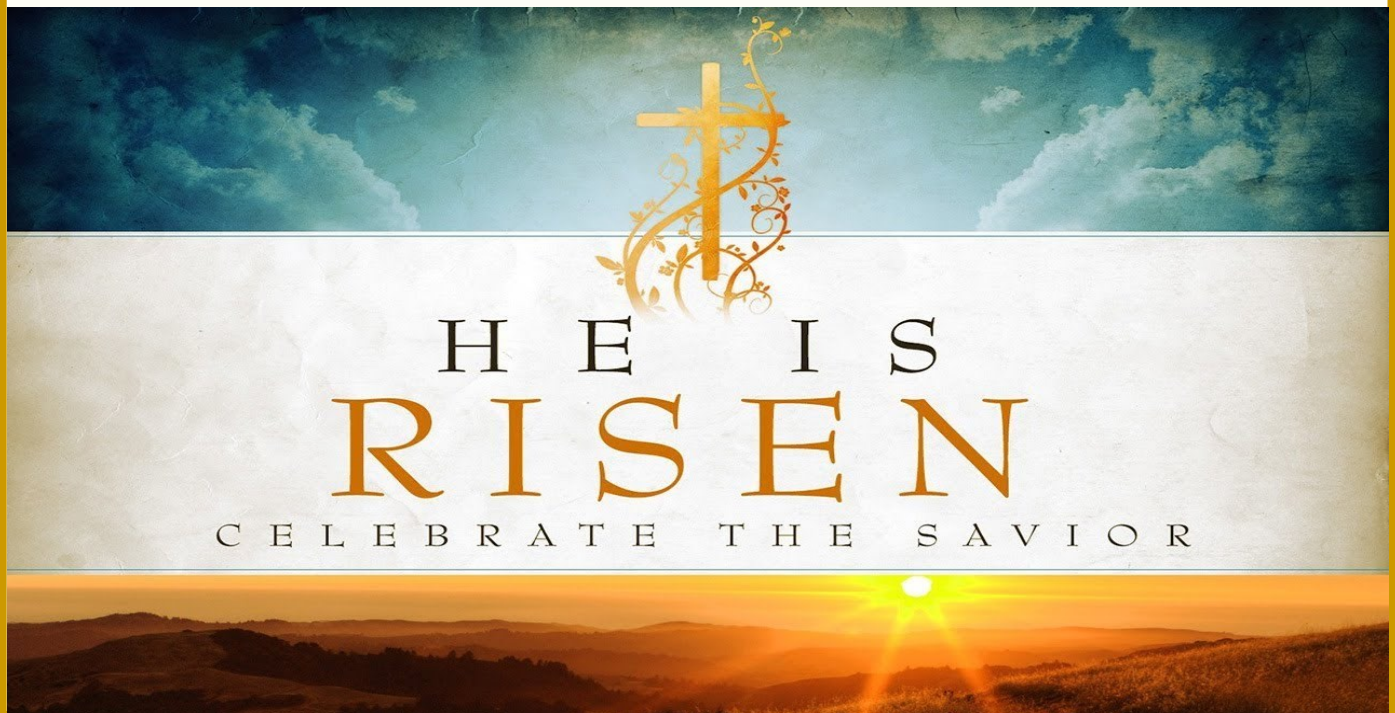
The Adult and Children’s Choirs under the direction of Nicholas Gatto and Janet DeFreitas, were exceptional. Nicholas prepared the Worship Booklets for the Triduum and Easter Sunday. Once again, Lisa Soga prepared the Chapel of Reposition for Holy Thursday and the beautiful Easter Garden around the Cross in the Narthex. The exquisite beauty of the flower arrangements in the Church and Parish Hall brought the beauty of Springtime into our worship.

Please allow me to express my gratitude to my brother Knights for ushering at all the services, the Boy Scouts for providing the Easter Fire, all our ministers: the readers, eucharistic ministers, altar servers and sacristans.

Special thanks to our seminarians, Peter Phan and Marco Barcenas. Peter is in his third year of Theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary and Marco is a Junior at Saint Andrews College Seminary at Seton Hall University. Peter Phan will be ordained to the Diaconate on May 13th at the Cathedral of Saint Francis. He will be the homilist at the 4pm Mass on that evening here at Saint Bartholomew. May God bless all of our seminarians and their desire to serve the Church of Metuchen.

Pax Christi,

Father Thomas



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, 15 April

4:00 p.m.

Gladys & Joseph D'Amico r/o Tom & Barbara d'Amico

SUNDAY, 16 April

8:00 a.m.

Vivienne & John Gatarz r/o The Family
and
Robert Ahlers r/o Maureen Ahlers

10:00 a.m.

Michael & Ellen Ryan r/o Ann Ryan

12 noon

Michael Lanza r/o The Lanza & Agosta Families

MONDAY, 17 April

8:30 a.m.

Thomas Izzo r/o Marie Welsh

TUESDAY, 18 April

8:30 a.m.

Edward Somodi r/o Fr. Thomas Walsh

WEDNESDAY, 19 April

8:30 a.m.

Andrew Olstead, Sr. r/o The McLean Family

THURSDAY, 20 April

8:30 a.m.

The Parishioners of St. Bartholomew Parish

FRIDAY, 21 April

8:30 a.m.

Tim Fanning r/o Bonnie Chrzanowski

SATURDAY, 22 April

4:00 p.m.

Eliza Palacios r/o The Giacobbi Family

SUNDAY, 23 April

8:00 a.m.

The Living & Deceased Members of the Columbiettes
r/o The Columbiettes
and

Al Galuchie r/o Penni & Joseph Kenny

10:00 a.m.

Kyle Furey r/o The Furey Family

12 noon

Tommy Koch and Tommy Dovner
r/o The Family

April 16, 2023 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

"Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'"
John 20:19)

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, like a new neighbor, a new work colleague or a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home? Many of us can probably do a much better job at this. When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded. We are made for relationships – with God and each other. A simple "hello" and a smile goes a long way.

2022 Contribution Statement

If you wish to receive a statement of your 2022 Capital Campaign and/or weekly contributions, please fill out and return this form by mail or in the collection basket. If you use FaithDirect, you will automatically receive a statement from FaithDirect.

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Regular Collection Palm Sunday, April 2

\$21,468

Thank you for your generosity!

The Lazarus Ministry

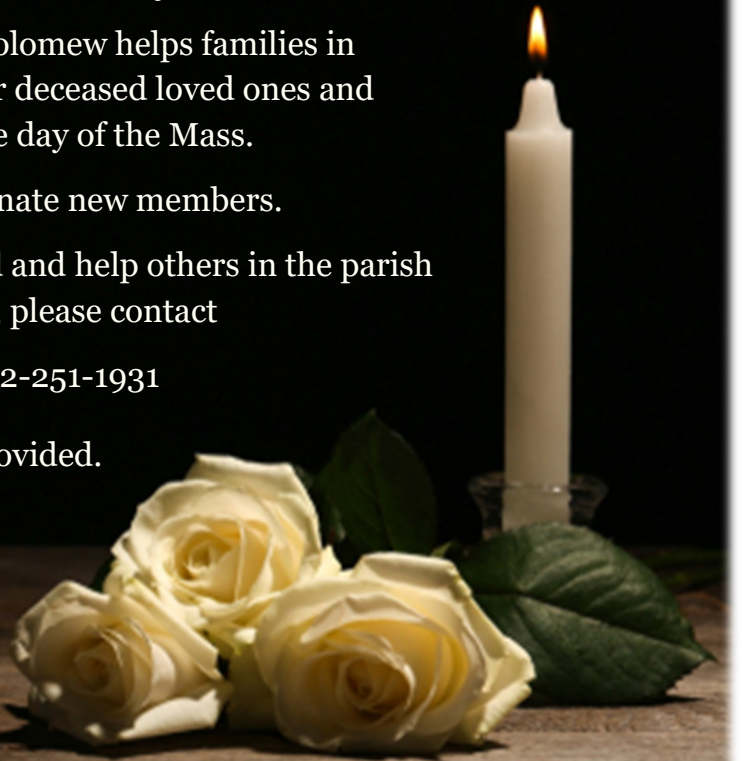
The Lazarus Ministry at St. Bartholomew helps families in planning the Funeral Mass for their deceased loved ones and assists at the Church on the day of the Mass.

We are in need of compassionate new members.

If you would like to get more involved and help others in the parish or for more information, please contact

Dolores Garrett at 732-251-1931

Training will be provided.



Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 3:30 PM. Registration is required. Please register online at: <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>.

If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 6, 2023. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration> or calling 732-562-1543.



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Am I a practicing Catholic man (18 years or older) looking to make a difference in my parish and community?

Am I interested in helping those in need, growing in my faith, and making a difference in the lives of others?

Am I a man who is committed to traditional family values and have a desire to foster the mission of the holy Church?

Am I interested in having exclusive access to a portfolio of top-quality insurance and investment products to help protect my family and plan for my future?

If the answer to any of these questions is 'yes', the question you *should* be asking yourself is: 'How do I join?'

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If you would like to learn more about what it means to be a Knight, or about **St. Bartholomew 's Council (# 11873)** and the charities, programs and activities it supports and participates in, please email **Ed Peppe, Membership Director**, at epeppe11873@gmail.com.

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