



ST. BARTHOLOMEW the APOSTLE

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT | APRIL 3, 2022

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Rev. Roberto Ortiz

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Dcn. Matthew Gonzalez
Dcn. Robert Gurske
Dcn. Donald Hessemer

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

4:00PM Confessions
5:00PM Vigil Mass - Fr. Paladino

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

Palm Sunday

7:30AM - Fr. Rose
9:00AM - Fr. Paladino
10:30AM - Fr. Ortiz
NOON - Msgr. Guenther

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.



Behold

I AM DOING
SOMETHING NEW.

ISAIAH 43:19



FROM THE DESK OF *Fr. John Paladino*

We all need the mercy and forgiveness of Jesus.



Exposed, vulnerable, alone ... she stands surrounded by the crowd for fear of her life. Her secret is now known, and the results would be deadly. She looks around at angry and condemning faces. To be brought out into the public could only mean one thing; her accusers are gathering a mob to stone her to death. She makes no outcry. She awaits a swift and brutal punishment. Perhaps we can feel the dread in her gut and maybe even understand the shame and helplessness that engulfed her.

Somehow, in the midst of all this tragedy, she sees a face that looks upon her with compassion and understanding. A young rabbi has been asked about her fate, and she sees in him not hate, but mercy. His words seem to stop her attackers and soon they begin to disperse. Maybe she has heard of this teacher, Jesus, or maybe he is simply a kind stranger who was unexpected in such a harsh and unforgiving place. When he asks about her accusers, she looks up and sees that those determined to destroy her could not withstand his challenges. He looks upon her with mercy and love and tells her to live her new life free from the sin that brought her such misery. She has been saved, and she can identify clearly that her Savior is Jesus. Doesn't her story sound a bit like ours?

I suspect that all of us have had our sins exposed at one time or another. We get caught in a lie, or a person walks in just as we are gossiping about them to another. We lose our temper and regret our outburst. If we have experienced these types of embarrassments, we have just a small taste of the shame and condemnation that the woman in our Gospel today experienced: of being exposed, vulnerable, and alone. We can understand the feelings of dread and guilt that consume us when the light is shined on our lives. Every face seems to be judging us and we wish we could just run away and hide, or even disappear. It would seem that most people would be able to share some empathy for the plight of this poor woman.

Jesus is the one loving face in an angry mob. He finds a poor frightened woman isolated and convicted. He gently reminds the people of their own sins and secrets. The woman, like us, finds salvation in Jesus' gentle, loving mercy. In Jesus, she is restored and given another chance. This is her story. This is our story. A story the whole world needs to hear.

Fr. John Paladino

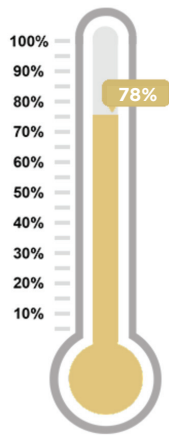


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ST. BARTHOLOMEW ACADEMY

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

STREAM Night



The Academy held a STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, and "Math) Night this March. It was a wonderful way for students and parents to create, interact with other families, and enjoy the family like atmosphere that defines the Academy. It was our first indoor social gathering since 2020! If you are interested in joining the SBA family we have openings in grades 3-7. Call us to set up a tour- 908-322-4265.



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HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY | APRIL 9-10

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday Mass: 7:30AM, 9AM, 10:30AM, 12PM

HOLY THURSDAY | APRIL 14

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30PM

Night Prayer: 10:30PM

GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 15

Children's Walk with Jesus: 10:00AM

Friday of the Lord's Passion: 3:00PM

Outdoor Living Stations: 7:30PM

HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 16

No Morning Mass

Easter Vigil: 7:30PM

EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 17

Mass: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM

Outdoor Mass: 12:00PM

(Weather Permitting- Bring Your Own Chair)



Parish Lenten Confessions



SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH

3:00-4:30PM IN THE CHURCH

During Lent, we are invited to a spirit of repentance and openness to God's transformative grace. We can do so in a special way through the Sacrament of Confession. With the Lord there is no condemnation, but rather mercy, compassion and love. Even if it's been awhile since you have last gone to Confession, the Lord welcomes you with open arms! We will have several priests present to hear confessions throughout the afternoon.

CARING FOR *Ukraine*

Please help us support the people of Ukraine by providing needed donations. We are collecting the following essential supplies:

Current Needs: Tylenol, Advil, tourniquets, band-aids, 4x4 gauze, splints, Neosporin, baby formula, diapers and baby wipes.

Additional Supplies Requested: Small blankets, protein bars, Emergen-C vitamin powder, small flashlights, batteries, NEW stuffed animals, thoughtful notes with kind words to give to the children, ANY medical supplies.

All supplies will go directly to nurses in a convent house in Poland.

Donations will be collected in a designated area in the Narthex or in the basket in front of the Rectory. Please mark items specifically for the Ukraine collection.

Please contact Catherine Ziobro at czizbro@stbartholomewchurch.org with any questions.

YOUTH GROUP

The annual Easter Egg Hunt is coming up. If you are a high school student and want to help prep for this anticipated event, please join us

Sunday, April 3, 6-730pm.

Who knows, maybe you will be able to share what you enjoy most about Youth Group with our confirmation candidates. We are looking forward to some cross-over time during their meeting. Please reach out to the Youth Minister if you want to learn more about our Youth Group.

FOR INFO, CONTACT JENNIFER RYAN at yg@stbartholomewchurch.org

HOLY WEEK ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS



Easter Egg Hunt

**PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022
AFTER THE 10:30AM MASS
Children 10 and under welcome**

****Bring your own Easter basket/bag!***
Questions? Contact stbartparishlife@comcast.net.*



Walk with Jesus

Stations of the Cross for Children

Good Friday, April 15th at 10:00am
St. Bartholomew Church Parking Lot



Please bring a small piece of bread or crackers to share with your family members during the Last Supper re-enactment.

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, APRIL 3

- 7:30AM **Louis Merola**
req. by Larry & Linda Juelis
Michael Monahan
req. by Alice & Jim Huether
- 9:00AM **Carol Rachko**
req. by the Driscoll Family
Dot Molloy
req. by Gene & Yolanda Schiller
- 10:30AM **Gerald W. Murphy**
req. by Loving Family
Egonia Bonoan
req. by the Skara Family
Nicholas Silano, Sr.
req. by Wife and Daughter
Elena DiFiore
req. by Romano & Mary DelRoio
- 4:00PM **Edith Coogan**
req. by Bill & Marianne Degnan

MONDAY, APRIL 4

- 6:30AM **All who have no one to pray for them**
req. by a Friend
- 8:30AM **Sheila O'Malley**
req. by Brenda & Oliver Anderson

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

- 6:30AM **Michael Tutela**
req. by the Verducci Family
- 8:30AM **Anne Youtkas**
req. by Pat & Ed Kane

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

- 6:30AM **Thomas Stapor**
req. by the Fung-A-Fat Family
- 8:30AM **Lauren Steinbeck (Living)**
req. by Vickie Steinbeck

THURSDAY, APRIL 7

- 6:30AM **Susan Roberts**
req. by Cynthia & Daniel McLeavey
- 8:30AM **Walter Krupna**
req. by Nancy & Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

- 6:30AM **Special Intention**
req. by Sandra Novello
- 8:30AM **Constance Baldassare**
req. by Elsa Lamastra

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

- 8:30AM **Lydia & Krystyner**
req. by Sandra Novello
- 5:00PM **Biagio DiNoto**
req. by Victor & Allison Passucci & Girls
Joseph Catena
req. by Gene & Yolanda Schiller

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

Palm Sunday

- 7:30AM **Noreen Dominguez**
req. by Tom & Mary Stachowiak
Robin Dente
req. by Madeline & Tom Rutkowski
- 9:00AM **Ken Blom**
req. by father, Al
Thomas Romagnoli
req. by Mauro, Judy & Family
- 10:30AM **Departed Members of deSouza Family**
req. by Loving Family
Anne Henry
req. by the Guarnuccio Family
Ernesto Del Negro
req. by Laura Del Negro & Family
- Noon **Elena DiFiore**
req. by Lee & Joanna Fantini
Thomas MacStoker
req. by Judy & Mark Bamrick

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Edilberto Agaton Jr.
Jacob Benedicto
Maritoni Caceres Padilla
Rina Conti
Tami Eddy
Emma Lara
Peter Morgan
Richard Quigley
Maureen Vincent
Melinda Williams
Joe Zingariello

Elizabeth Barker
Francesca Cafolla
Kaitlyn Marie Cole
Kathleen "Kay" Duff
Palmiro Ferraro
Nadine Martinson
James Pettit
Patricia Uber
Dolores Waltsak
Franca Zingariello

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

Baptisms are celebrated throughout the month on Saturdays and Sundays. First-time parents are required to complete Baptismal Preparation. Please register in advance by calling (908) 322-5192.

Reconciliation

Confession is offered every Saturday at 4PM or call the rectory to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

Archdiocesan policy requires that arrangements be made with a parish priest or deacon as soon as the engagement is announced.



RCIA: RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS AND BECOMING CATHOLIC

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults introduces adults to the Catholic faith and tradition, as well as prepares adults for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. If you would like to learn more about becoming Catholic or receiving the sacraments at our parish, please contact Pat Krema: pkrema@stbartholomewchurch.org. We are happy to accompany you on your journey of faith and help answer any questions you may have!



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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.

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:

Barbara Stumm-Gray, Ed.S. | 908.232.0893
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