

Trinity



For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

John 3:17

St. Bartholomew Parish

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Mission Statement

We are a dynamic community of the People of God who are joined together by our faith in Jesus Christ. Our spiritual life is centered on the celebration of the sacraments, especially the Eucharist in the Sunday Liturgy. We are committed to being an active community of faith that worships together, and reaches out and ministers to the needs of others. Our vision is that St. Bartholomew Parish will be the center and source for the faith development of its people based on the active participation of all its members, women and men, young and old.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
Monday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:15-3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

First Sunday of the month at 12:30 p.m.
Please call one month ahead
to make an appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements must be made
at least 6 months prior to the wedding.
Please consult the Pastor.

Eucharistic Adoration

The St. Bartholomew/St. Joseph Cluster
gathers every Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 pm in
St. Joseph's Lower Church.

First Saturday Devotion

First Saturday of the month
following the 9:00 a.m. Mass

Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Prayed immediately following
9:00 am weekday Mass
(except when we have a 10 am Funeral Mass)

Prayer Line

This is a phone network of people,
who pray for special intentions.
Call 781-444-5973 and leave a message for
whom or what you would like prayers said.



Reflection for Trinity Sunday: What is your image of who God is and how has this changed over the years? How do we invite others to believe in God? Do we believe that our God, the Trinity, Father Son and Holy Spirit wishes to be a special part of our lives?

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors!

We need more people for these important ministries.

Eucharistic Ministers: Anyone who has made their Confirmation and is interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister please speak with the pastor or one of the parish staff. You will be trained.

Lectors: We are in need of more Lectors to assist at Mass. Anyone who is interested is asked to speak with the pastor or one of the parish staff. You will be trained.

The Catholic Appeal: This year's theme is "Handing on The Light of Christ." Cardinal Sean is asking every Catholic household to participate. Thank you to everyone who has already made a pledge. This year our goal is 278 families and \$95,500. This Appeal is to our Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish— so your prayers and participation are essential and critical. To date about 54.2% of our goal or \$51,723 has already been pledged, while the archdiocesan average is 58.6% at this point. The help that the Catholic Appeal offers to so many programs is essential. It is the hope throughout the Archdiocese that more people will take part in this year's Catholic Appeal. Thank you. Parishes surpassing their goals receive 25% of the surplus back for parish use.

2nd Collection This Weekend- There will be a second collection taken up at all the Masses for communications. As you know the media is one of the modern ways that the message of the gospel is communicated throughout the world. This collection helps many people who otherwise would not have a chance to hear the saving message of Jesus Christ. Please be as generous as your means allows.

Day of Prayer for Priests- Friday, May 30th, has been designated a Day of Prayer for Priests. Details will be found in next week's bulletin.

Myanmar Relief Collection

Cardinal Sean has asked our assistance for the victims of the cyclone and flooding that has devastated Myanmar in Burma. Current estimates of the destruction are one million homeless and 100,000 deaths. Significant funds are needed to ensure that critical life-saving aid reaches the most vulnerable people quickly. Catholic Relief Services will coordinate with the Caritas network and local and international agencies to determine how best to provide help where it is most needed.

This collection will take place next weekend, May 24-25. We ask that if you use a check for your donation to kindly make it out to St. Bartholomew's Parish. We will then send one check to Catholic Relief Services. We deeply appreciate whatever you can do to help our brothers and sisters who are suffering.

The Pilot: Please take home a free copy of the Pilot which is the newspaper of the Archdiocese of Boston. This newspaper can be found at the doors of the church.

Recommended Readings:

The New Perspective on Paul by James D.G. Dunn (revised edition) William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co. Grand Rapids, Michigan, 2005.

The Gospel of Mark (Sacra Pagina Series), by John R. Donahue, S.J. and Daniel J. Harrington, S.J., The Liturgical Press, Collegeville, Minnesota. 2002.



A basic component of this exciting new program are small groups who gather to pray & reflect on provided texts.

Are you being called to host a group or to facilitate the discussion?

Training, ongoing support and all materials are provided.

Curious? Speak to any of our Arise Team members: Allan & Patty Doyle, Carolyn Maynard, Peggy Powers, Dorothea O'Connell, Doug Motchok, David Tremblay, or a parish staff member.

Please... THE DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN CONTENT IS NOON ON MONDAY ...Thank you!

Mass Intentions

Saturday	May 17	4:00 pm	
Sunday	May 18	8:00 am	Virginia Ray—2nd Anniversary
		9:45 am	Walter & Doris Nowak
		11:30 am	Our 2008 Graduates
Monday	May 19	9:00 am	
Tuesday	May 20	9:00 am	Andrew Hall
Wednesday	May 21	9:00 am	Helen C. Fagan
Thursday	May 22	9:00 am	Thomas Connolly
Friday	May 23	9:00 am	Kathryn Santos
Saturday	May 24	9:00 am	Marie L. McNeil
Saturday	May 24	4:00 pm	Dick & Rita Walsh
Sunday	May 25	8:00 am	The Parishioners of St. Bartholomew's Church
		9:45 am	Special Intention
		11:30 am	

Scripture Readings

18	Sun	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/ Jn 3:16-18
19	Mon	Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29
20	Tue	Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37
21	Wed	Jas 4:13-17/Mk 9:38-40
22	Thu	Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:41-50
23	Fri	Jas 5:9-12/Mk 10:1-12
24	Sat	Jas 5:13-20/Mk 10:13-16
25	Sun	Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

Collections

Weekend of May 10-11

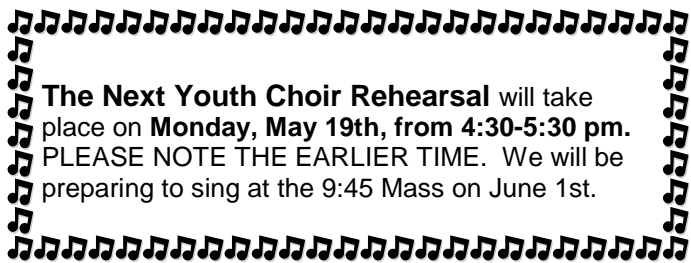
Amount collected	\$5,958.17
Amount needed	\$6,000.00
Amount over/under	(\$ 41.83)

Archdiocesan Seminary Collection

Amount collected	\$2,509.53
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Thank you for your stewardship.

The Adult Choir meets for rehearsals on Thursdays at 7:30 pm. We are always looking for new members. All are welcome!



The Next Youth Choir Rehearsal will take place on **Monday, May 19th, from 4:30-5:30 pm**. PLEASE NOTE THE EARLIER TIME. We will be preparing to sing at the 9:45 Mass on June 1st.

Prayer Group

G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together) will meet on **Wednesday, May 21st, at 10:00 am** in the O'Brien Room at the rectory.

Amy's Book Club

The next meeting of the Book Club will be on **Tuesday, May 27th, at 12:30 pm** in the O'Brien Room at the rectory. The book to be read is Persuasion by Jane Austen.



Children and Youth

Religious Education Reminders:

Registration 2008-2009:

- Registration Forms for 2008-2009 are available for download at http://stbartholomew-needham.org/children_youth/religious_education.html
- Live Registration will take place after all Masses on May 31st – June 1st.
- Registration forms are also available at the rectory during regular business hours.

Most students who do not attend Catholic Schools attend Religious Education from 1st through 10th grade. Students in Catholic Schools please contact the Religious Education Office for information regarding Sacramental Preparation.

Activities:

Paw Sox: All students 6th grade and up are invited to join the Youth Board in their trip to watch the Paw Sox (AAA affiliate of the Boston Red Sox) on **June 8th 1 pm**
Please call the rectory for tickets.

St. Bartholomew Soccer Program 1st and 2nd grade Boys & Girls



St. Bart's Soccer is a co-ed instructional program for Needham boys & girls born **August 1, 2000 - July 31, 2002.**

Registration is for both fall 2008 and spring 2009 season. Mail-in registration period begins April 26 - June 6. Applications are available at town hall on a first come first serve basis.

Head coaches and assistant coaches are needed.

Please call the St. Bart's Soccer hotline for information or questions at 781-444-6559.

Camp Mishannock, a girl's camp sponsored by the Sisters of Divine Providence, is accepting applications for the 2008 season. Programming based on Gospel values in the Catholic tradition.

Daily activities include: swimming, boating, canoeing, sailing, kayaking, volleyball, soccer, softball, basketball, tennis, arts and crafts, and electives. The Teen Program offers tutoring and ESL (through faculty of Sacred Heart Schools).

Visit them at www.campmishannock.com. For information, call 781-585-8592 or email at campmish@comcast.net.

STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE **Sharing: Time, Talent & Treasure**

THE COMPLIMENT by Marjorie Holmes

"I want to suggest a new Beatitude: "Blessed are the sincere who pay compliments."

For I have just had a compliment, and it has changed my day.

I was irritated. Tired. Discouraged. Nothing seemed much use. Now suddenly all this is changed.

I feel a spurt of enthusiasm, of energy and joy. I am filled with hope. I like the whole world better, and myself, and even you.

Lord, bless the person who did this for me. He probably hasn't the faintest idea how his few words affected me. But wherever he is, whatever he's doing, bless him. Let him, too, feel this sense of fulfillment, this recharge of fire and faith and joy.

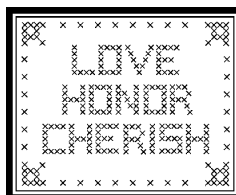
Thank you, God, for this simple miracle so available to all of us. And that we don't have to be saints to employ its power.

Remind me to use it more often to heal and lift and fortify others' lives: a compliment!

SHARING: TIME TALENT TREASURE Do we make the time? We all have the talent necessary to notice others and give of ourselves to another, no matter how big or small. And we should always remember that God gave us each other to treasure. A COMPLIMENT---the gift that keeps on giving.

Stewardship Questions: Kathy Reilly 781-444-0862
 E-mail: kreilly15@yahoo.com

Marriage Encounter It takes much effort just to make ends meet in our world today. Do you wish you could talk about something besides all the stresses in your life? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next weekends in New England are June 20-22, July 18-20 and Sept. 19-21. For more information call Ray & Beth Ginepro at 1-800-710-WWME or visit the web-page at www.wwmeMA.org.



The Social Club will meet on Wednesday, May 21, at 2:30 pm in Ward Hall. Our guest speaker will be Jeffrey Liebman, CEO of Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital-Needham. As you know, the hospital has begun a major expansion and increase of services. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about a project of interest to us. Members and guests are invited to enjoy this program and refreshments at its conclusion.

Our spring trip to the Bull Run Restaurant for lunch and entertainment will take place on Friday, May 23. The bus will leave the parking lot at 10:15 am and return about 4:00 pm. We're looking forward to a great trip! If there are any questions about this trip, please call Ann MacQueen at 781-444-8833.

At this time, the Social Club Board wishes to thank you for your support during the past year. We wish you a very happy summer, and we look forward to seeing you in September.

Catechists!

Our Religious Education Program is in need of parishioners to assist with both teaching and non-teaching roles with our students in most grades.

Classes for students in Kindergarten through 6th grade meet Mondays from 4-5 pm; students in 7th – 10th grade meet every other Monday from 7-8:30 pm.

Catechists – prepare and present the material to the students.

Parent aides – assist the catechist with classroom management and activities

Small Group Facilitators (evening session only) – Engage students in discussion or activities

Experience in teaching is not required

Please contact the Religious Education office for information: melisahughes@comcast.net, or 781-444-4343

My dear friends;

May the peace and love of Jesus be with you. I write to let you know that our Archdiocese is beginning a wonderful process of renewal called Arise Together in Christ. This process will involve the majority of parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston, the religious houses, campuses, schools, and religious education programs. It is a total parish experience designed to spiritually renew each of us by giving us opportunities for us to grow in faith and community. It is intended to help us move into the future as a Church with hope and enthusiasm.

This weekend we are pleased to have members of our committee speaking at all the Masses about the Arise program. The heart of this process will be the gathering of small groups of people in homes to read and pray with Sacred Scripture. Renew International will be providing training for those who will lead this process in our parish. We are hoping that as many people as possible will see this as a moment of God's graces in our lives and take part in this program. Some have never had the opportunity before to come together and discuss Sacred Scripture. Please do not be concerned about this but trust that the Holy Spirit will guide you to a wonderful experience of newness and renewal.

Please see the flyers and the notices that explain the Arise Program. I know how busy you are. There will be many different groups meeting at different times. May this be an enriching and grace-filled time for each of us.

Sincerely yours in the Lord Jesus,

Fr. Phil McGaugh

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., May 18 Mass/Celebration for 2008 Grads
11:30 Mass followed by Reception
in the McCulloch Room in school
- Mon., May 19 Youth Choir Rehearsal-4:30 to
5:30 pm
- Wed., May 21 Prayer Group-10 am-O'Brien Rm.
- Wed., May 21 Social Club-2:30 pm-Ward Hall
- Thurs., May 22 Adult Choir Rehearsal-7:30 pm
- Fri., May 23 Social Club Spring Trip
- Mon., May 26 **Parish Office Closed**
- Tues., May 27 Amy's Book Club-12:30 pm in
the O'Brien Room
- Tues., May 27 Finance Committee Mtg.-7:30 pm
- Thurs., May 29 Adult Choir Rehearsal-7:30 pm
- Sun., June 1 Community Sunday following the
8:00 & 9:45 am Masses

An Evening with Fr. Tom Massaro, SJ will be held at Corpus Christi-St. Bernard Parish of Newton in the Chapel at St. Bernard's Church on Tuesday, May 20, at 7:00 pm. The title of his presentation is "Catholics and the 2008 Presidential Election." The goal of the session will be to gain insights into the U.S. Bishops' document "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship," which was released in November 2007.

Fr. Tom, a Jesuit priest of the New England Province, is professor of moral theology. He holds a doctorate in Christian social ethics from Emory University and other degrees in philosophy, theology, economics and political science.

Those attending will receive a copy of the bishops' document. For more information, please contact Tom Griffin, Pastoral Associate, at 6127-244-9110 or tgriffin@ccsbparish.org.

Kids Night Out

Drop your kids off for a movie and pizza while mom and dad enjoy a few hours to themselves.

When: **Saturday, June 14th, after the 4:00 Mass until 8:00 pm**

Where: The McCulloch Room in the school
Who: All children grades K-6

All children MUST be pre-registered by Wednesday, June 11th, if they wish to attend. Parents must fill out an emergency form and an awareness food allergy info form when dropping their child off. No one will be admitted at the door without registering. We need to know ahead of time how much pizza is needed. Cost is \$5.00 per child of a parishioner or \$10 per child of a non-parishioner.

To register or to volunteer to help call Debby at the Parish Office at 781-444-3434. Leave your name, how many children will attend, the names and ages of the children, and your phone number.

The movie to be shown is "The Robots". With the help of his mechanical friends, a small-town robot named Rodney embarks on the adventure of a lifetime as he heads for the big city to pursue his dreams and ultimately proves that anyone can shine no matter what they're made of.

Coping with Loss

Caritas Good Samaritan Hospice is offering a Bereavement Support Group on Tuesdays beginning June 3 and ending on June 24. The sessions will meet 6:00-7:30 pm at the Caritas Good Samaritan Hospice, 310 Allston St., Brighton.

The support group offers an opportunity to express grief after the loss of a loved one. The group provides a safe and nurturing environment under the direction of a trained facilitator. They serve people of all faiths. Although there is no charge for support groups, donations are appreciated.

Advance registration is required. Please call by May 30th by calling Margo Steinberg, LICSW, at 617-566-6242.

Friends of St. Anne: Please join in the ongoing ministry of making simple Baptismal Robes for St. Bartholomew's Parish. These garments are worn over christening clothes and given to the parents as a reminder of their child's special welcoming into the Church.

The garments require minimal sewing skills by hand or machine. The parish will supply the pattern, fabric and instructions. You may assist in this ministry by making the robes, praying for the individually baptized baby or donating to the cause. Please consider helping with this effort. Contact Jane Cuniffe at 781-444-9033 or at cunniffem@rcn.com.