



FATHER
SON
HOLY SPIRIT

**Go, therefore,
and make
disciples of
all nations...**

Matthew 28:19

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 for what you would like
prayers said.



Reflection on Trinity Sunday: Each Sunday as we pray the Creed at Mass are we mindful of the role that the Trinity plays in our lives? God always acts on our behalf to strengthen the bond of love between God and us. God is the perfect community of love. Each of the readings today highlights an aspect of the Trinity. Notice the first reading from Deuteronomy describes what our creator God did for the Israelites making them heirs of the land and a long life. God is the doer of many mighty deeds. What God does is an extension of who He is. The second reading describes what God does for us in Jesus Christ. We are children of God and heirs of God. In the gospel we see that we share in the saving work of Jesus Christ because we share in the power and mission of Jesus through the Holy Spirit. We too are called to do mighty deeds.

Bible Study: Classes will continue on **Monday, June 8th, at 10 am** in the O'Brien Room. Please read chapters 3-6 of St. Paul's Letter to the Romans. The study of St. Paul's letters are proving to be life-enriching and enjoyable. We welcome newcomers to the classes!

A Day of Prayer, Reflection, and Talks for Priests in the Archdiocese of Boston will be held on **Wednesday, June 10th**. Please pray for the success of this day.

Catholic Appeal: Presently 178 donors have pledged \$73,341 which is about 76.8% of our parish goal. Thank You. The Archdiocesan goal is 15 million dollars of which about 67.2% of the goal has already been achieved. There are immense needs and reasons to pray for the success of this appeal. Please know that our parish will receive 25% of all funds raised above our goal.

Supporting People who advertise in Our Bulletin: The Church bulletin that is published weekly is one of the primary means of our parish to let you know what is happening each week. This is paid for by those who advertise in the bulletin. I invite you to make use of their services and if you wish to invite others to place ads as well in the bulletin. I believe that it pays to advertise in the bulletin.

Farewells: We have been informed that both Fr. Hugh Lagan SMA and Fr. Francois De Paul SMA will be taking new assignments and will be leaving us as weekend help at the end of this month. Both have been a tremendous blessing to this parish and we wish both of them much success and happiness in all of their future work. Both gifted priests will be greatly missed by all of us. If you wish to send a note or card, their address is: African Mission House, 337 Common St., Dedham, MA 02026.

Second Collection: Next week's second collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity.

RCIA Program: Is there is any person interested in becoming a Catholic or interested in learning more about the process? Please call the rectory for more information.

Parish Trip to Oberammergau

Please see the flyers at the doors of the church if you are interested in updated plans for the parish trip to Oberammergau and the passion play in 2010.

Extra Confessions will be heard after all the Masses next Sunday, June 14th.



Congratulations To:

Isabella Abigail D'Amelio,
daughter of John & Vanessa;
Samantha Lee Scully and
Tyler James Scully,
daughter and son of
Thomas and Laura,
as these children are claimed
by Jesus Christ in the
Sacrament of Baptism
this weekend.

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



Saturday	June 6	4:00 pm	Leo Paul Crowley
Sunday	June 7	8:00 am	
		9:45 am	Virginia Ray—3rd Anniversary
		11:30 am	Gertrude & John Costello
Monday	June 8	9:00 am	
Tuesday	June 9	9:00 am	
Wednesday	June 10	9:00 am	
Thursday	June 11	9:00 am	Mark Hansen
Friday	June 12	9:00 am	Carmella & Carl Salvatorelli
Saturday	June 13	9:00 am	Elsie Hall
Saturday	June 13	4:00 pm	
Sunday	June 14	8:00 am	Special Intention
		9:45 am	Frank Heger
		11:30 am	Annie Harrington—Birthday Memorial



Weekend of May 30-31

Amount Collected: \$6,286.30
 Amount Needed: \$6,000.00
 Amount Over/Under: \$ 286.30

Pentecost

Amount Collected \$2,242.40

Thank you for your stewardship.

Community Sunday & Free Blood Pressure Screening

will be held following the 8:00 & 9:45 am Masses this **Sunday, June 7th**. Come down to Ward Hall for coffee, donuts and fellowship. This will be the last Community Sunday until we resume in October.

Circle of Comfort

The Circle of Comfort is ready for another night of cooking. The theme of the night is father/child, in honor of Father's Day. We are inviting all fathers in the parish to come cook with us and to bring one child or grandchild or niece/nephew. Space is limited so we are asking that each father bring only one child this time. There will be many other opportunities throughout the year, to include any kids that can't come this time. We will be making lasagna and apple crisp for the freezer. The date is **Wednesday, June 10, from 7:00pm-9:00pm in the rectory kitchen**. Please RSVP by Monday, June 8, to Jeanne D'Alleva 781-400-5083. It is sure to be a fun time..we hope you can join us!!

Youth Choir

Antonia Nedder, Director of St. Bart's Youth Choir, would like to thank the talented and dedicated young people of our parish who participated in Youth Choir this year. It was a wonderful year for Youth Choir, complete with new opportunities like the Tree Lighting in Needham, and lots of new, spirit-filled music. Thank you also to parents of choir members, for being so supportive of this wonderful ministry for our young people. And thank you to the congregation who welcomed the Youth Choir each month as they participated in the liturgy through song. See you in September!

Prayer Group

G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together) will meet on **Wednesday, June 10th**, at 10:00 am in the O'Brien Room at the rectory. This will be our last meeting until September. We wish everyone a wonderful and prayerful summer.

Children and Youth

Religious Education

Classes will resume in September!

Registration: Registration forms for Religious Education classes for 2009-2010 are available at the back of the church.

Catechists – we invite parishioners willing share their faith and joy with children to explore the ministry of Catechist by speaking to either Maryellen Jennings (K-6th grade) or Melisa Hughes (7-10th grade) for information.

We invite any adult parishioners AND students entering at least 11th grade to consider this ministry. Classes start in the fall; training, materials & support are provided. *What greater calling than to help disciples grow?*

Activities & Other News

Soccer – St Bart's offers an instructional, co-ed, intramural program for all Needham children in 1st & 2nd grade. **Soccer Registration forms will be available at Town Hall.** Registrations are accepted on a first come, first served basis. Please call the Soccer Hotline for more information: 781-444-6559.

OYM (Office of Youth Ministry) Annual Harbor Cruise – Every year teens from all over the Archdiocese get together for a night to celebrate in Boston Harbor. Please sign up with Melisa at least 2 weeks in advance (tickets do sell out!)

Middle School Cruise

Monday, June 29th, 8-11pm cost \$18.00

High School Cruise

Monday, July 27th, 8-11 cost \$20.00

Youth Nights – 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month 6pm for Middle School students, 7pm pizza; 7:30 for High School students. This will start on Wednesday, June 24th. Indoor or outdoor options to get together – calendar of specific events will be posted in the bulletin. All are welcome

CYO Ultimate Frisbee: Join up with friends and form your own team or join as an individual to be placed on a team. A social-competitive travel team competing against other parishes in the archdiocese.

Divisions for Young Adults (under 40 years old), Middle School & High School.

Contact Melisa Hughes or see registration forms in the back of the church.



Family Fun on the Fields

Last Saturdays of the Month
June 27th, July 25th, Aug 29th

Movies & Games on St. Bart's soccer field

Come to 4pm Mass,
Bring a picnic dinner around 5pm,
Join in some easy outdoor games
(pick-up soccer, kickball, bocce,
horseshoes, etc.) around 6pm

Set up your blanket and settle in for a family-friendly movie around 7:30pm

The Patrick C. Forde Memorial Fund

Join us for the Third Annual Fundraiser to benefit the Patrick C. Forde Memorial Fund.

There will be a specialty wine and beer tasting on **Sunday, June 14, from 4-6 pm** at the Village Club in Needham.

To purchase tickets, visit
patrickcfordememorial.org.
Purchase tickets before June 8
and receive a \$5 discount.

Are you in your 20s or 30s?

It can sometimes be hard to know where you fit into the parish & where the parish fits into your life and schedule. It would be nice to get to know others our age and do things together once in a while.

A few of us in our 20s & 30s are still brainstorming ideas about how to build community and faith. If you would like to join us or to be notified of events for Young Adults, please email Melisa at: melisahughes@comcast.net

Come as you are, all are welcome... even if you aren't active in the Church at this time in your life.

STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE Sharing: Time Talent Treasure

A SEASONAL REMINDER

Summer has begun. THANK GOD! It took its time coming, but is finally here.

For those of us who are blessed and have vacation opportunities elsewhere, please remember to support your summer parish in donation and effort as the summer parishes heavily rely on their summer influx to support them for the remainder of the year. This is not to say, however, that your home parish doesn't need or miss your regular contributions. All parishes are struggling to meet their financial needs as well as people needs to serve their congregations. Please don't forget your St. Bartholomew's envelopes. You can send them in or put the missing ones in the baskets when you return. Also those who are here, please volunteer to assist as Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, or Altar Server whenever you attend Mass even if you have not been assigned that particular service. This is also a good time to come forward if you have been thinking of becoming a volunteer. The troops have thinned out and we can always use new recruits!

Little Johnny lying in bed, having finished his prayers, asked his Mother, "What is a gift?" Slightly perplexed she thought and replied, "Well, it is something that you give someone else because you love them. You can buy it or make it yourself. Or it can be something nice that you do for someone." Thinking for a moment Johnny then said enthusiastically, "I'm going to give God my turtle." Not wanting to dampen his good intentions, his mother said, "Johnny, God made your turtle and everything in this world. I think He gave you the turtle to take care of for Him." Looking dejected Johnny responded, "Then there is nothing I can give Him, if He made everything." Mother was a little stumped about how to respond to this when Johnny looked up, "I know what I can give God. I'm going to tell everybody that God gave me a turtle. And I will let them pet him for a penny. Then I can give God the pennies so He can make some more turtles for other kids."

However we come to our conclusions, God has given us all so many gifts despite the current economic conditions. Maybe the greatest gift we can give God this summer is to spend time thinking about all we have been blessed with and figure out, like Johnny, how to share that which God has given us. And never forget to say thank you to Him and one another each and every day. Make every day joyful and have a great summer!

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., June 7 Community Sunday & blood pressure screening-following the 8:00 & 9:45 am Masses
- Sun., June 7 Baptisms-12:30 pm
- Mon., June 8 Bible Study-10 am-O'Brien Room
- Wed., June 10 G.I.F.T. (Growing In Faith Together) Prayer Group-10 am-O'Brien Room
- Wed., June 10 Circle of Comfort cooking night for father/child-7-9 pm-at rectory (see bulletin for details)

Attention Vietnamese Families: Are you interested in having a bilingual English/Vietnamese Masses and/or Vietnamese Masses in the Boston suburbs? Are you interested in making the Vietnamese Catholic community more integrated with the Catholic parishes in the Boston west suburbs? If so, please call or email the Office of Cultural Diversity by July 15 to give us your contact information (name, phone number and email): Archdiocese of Boston, Office of Outreach and Cultural Diversity, attn: Ms. Linda Russo, phone 617-746-5794, email: lrusso@rcab.org.

Mass Times in the U.S.A.

When traveling and looking for Mass times in the U.S.A., check www.MassTimes.org.

The Northeast Catholic Family Conference will take place on **Sunday, June 28, at St. Mary's in Waltham beginning at 1:00 pm.** The conference offers prayer, music and workshops for adults, children and teens. Cardinal Sean will celebrate Mass and join us for the family cookout! For more info or to register, please go to: www.schoolofnazareth.org or contact Fr. Michael Harrington at: mharrington@rcab.org or call 781-956-0548.

Pray online every day
at www.sacredspace.ie

COMING SOON - Automated Giving or EFT

In response to your many requests St. Bartholomew will soon be introducing Automatic Giving or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). This is an alternative means of support of our parish instead of donations through envelopes or the weekly collection. Rather than writing a check or giving cash, this program will collect monthly contributions that **YOU** authorize from checking, savings, or credit card account. There will be **NO COST** to you to participate in this program.

Why Automatic Giving? There are three reasons why we have decided to offer this method of supporting our parish. Many parishioners have requested this option.

The second reason is for better budgeting and planning purposes. Automatic Giving will enable our offertory collections and income throughout the year to become more consistent. Right now, our collections can vary dramatically from week to week and season to season, based on factors such as weather and vacations, etc.

We are a parish that teaches and encourages Stewardship. Stewardship, sharing of our time, talent and treasure, is an obligation that arises from our Baptism. We hope that Automatic Giving will be a tool to help to embrace a holistic approach to that is the fruit of prayer and planning.

What will be the benefits to you?

- It will allow you to plan your giving, in the same way you budget other financial considerations.
- You will no longer have to be concerned about catching up on donations when you miss a Mass.
- You will be able to easily adjust the amount of your automated contribution (up and down) at the rectory office or by Using a secure website address.
- You will no longer need to write a check or bring cash every week.

How will this be done?

After careful consideration and research, we have chosen a company called ParishPay to assist us in this effort to provide our community with a new and better way to support our Parish. ParishPay serves parishes throughout the country including many in the Archdiocese of Boston.

Your participation in Automatic giving is completely up to **YOU**. We do hope that you and your family will join us in the spiritual movement of Stewardship as you offer your time, talent and treasure back to God in thanksgiving for the many gifts He has given you.

NEXT WEEK:

What about my weekly envelopes?
 Why ParishPay?
 When can I sign up?
 How do I sign up?
 More answers to FAQs

Prayer for the Game of Life
 by
Richard Cardinal Cushing

DEAR GOD, help me be a good sport in the game of life. I don't ask for an easy place in the lineup. Put me anywhere You need me. I only ask that I can give You 100% of everything I have. If all the hard drives seem to come my way, I thank You for the compliment. Help me to remember that You never send a player more trouble than he can handle with Your help...

And help me, Lord, to accept the bad breaks as part of the game. May I always play on the square no matter what others do. Help me study...THE BOOK so I'll know the rules.

Finally, God, if the natural turn of events goes against me and I am benched for sickness or old age, help me accept that as a part of the game, too. Keep me from whimpering that I was framed or that I got a raw deal. And when I finish the final inning, I ask for no laurels; all I want is to believe in my heart, I played as well as I could and that I didn't let You down. Amen.