



If anyone
wishes
to come
after me,
he must
deny himself
and take up his

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daily and
follow me.
For whoever
wishes to
save his life
will lose it,
but whoever

loses

his life
for my
sake will

save

it.

Luke
9:23-24

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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.

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)

Mission Statement

Our Mission is:

- To be the spiritual and physical focal point of a community joined together and inspired in our thoughts, words and deeds by our Catholic faith and the teachings of Jesus Christ.
- To enrich our spiritual lives through the sacraments, especially daily and Sunday Eucharist, prayer groups, educational opportunities, retreats and other programs.
- To live Christ through active stewardship by encouraging and enabling each other to contribute our time, talent and means to help others and to promote justice, peace and charity.
- To develop the bonds within our community through social activities that bring together women, men, young and old to take joy in life and each other.

We implement our mission through many programs, and all that we do is intended to develop our faith community and help us to live Christ and the teachings of our Catholic faith.



Happy Father's Day to our fathers, grandfathers, and those who are called to fatherhood in all its forms. The Masses this weekend will be offered for all fathers—living and deceased.

Reflection on the 12th Sunday in Ordinary

Time: If Jesus was to ask each of us "Who do you say I am?" how would we answer in a personal way? Each of us, I suspect, would answer this question in a different way. I think there would be some common characteristics in our personal answers though. We would speak of Jesus as the second person of the Blessed Trinity, close to God the Father and the Holy Spirit, Savior of the world, sinless, humble, champion of the poor, unselfish, a brother to each. We might speak of our favorite miracle, or of the sacraments, or of how we turn to Him in time of need. Would we speak of being a disciple of Jesus? How would Jesus experience us and speak of us? Does He experience us as His followers? By virtue of our Baptism we are called to be disciples of Jesus. Are we for other people who Jesus is for us? Do people turn to us in their time of need? Prayer was a regular part of the life of Jesus. Is prayer a regular part of our life?

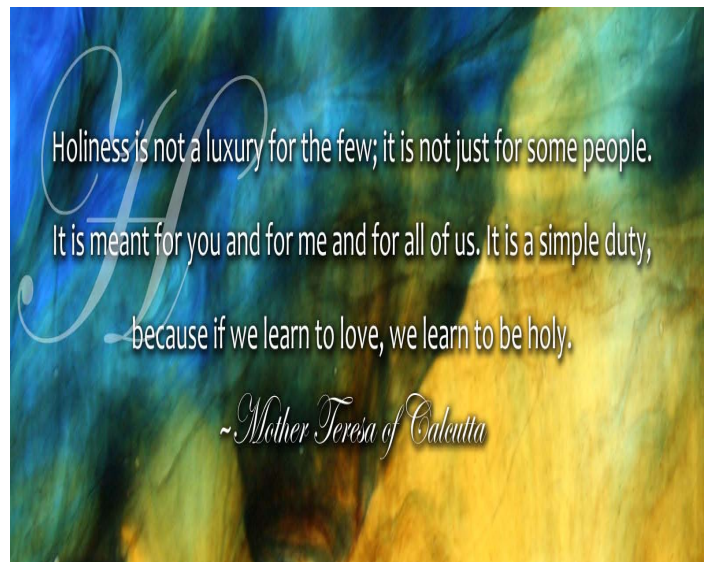
Bible Classes will meet on **Monday, June 21st, at 10:00 am** in the O'Brien Room in the rectory. Please pray and reflect on Psalms 35-38. Classes will continue until the end of June.

Please Volunteer: At the present time there is a need for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. These ministries are vital to the celebration of Mass. There are a number of people who are away all summer which makes the need even greater. Training will be provided. Please prayerfully consider saying "Yes" to this call. You may contact Fr. Phil if interested.

Recommended Reading: Understanding the Revised Mass Texts by Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training Publications, 2010.

Clergy Benefit Trust Collection

Last week's collection was to benefit the retirement, medical care, and financial needs of the priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. Thanks to your generous support, St. Bartholomew Parish raised \$4,058.46. Thank you for your continued generosity to the church.



As summer is approaching and many will be leaving for vacations, I would like to take this opportunity to say "thank you" to everyone who has helped and taken part in the life of this parish in any way during this past academic year. St. Bartholomew Parish continues to be a very special place of God's love because of so many of you. As a special note: we can use the involvement of others as well.

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday	June 19	4:00 pm	For All Fathers—Both Living and Deceased
Sunday	June 20	8:00 am	For All Fathers—Both Living and Deceased
		9:45 am	For All Fathers—Both Living and Deceased
		11:30 am	For All Fathers—Both Living and Deceased
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Monday	June 21	9:00 am	Enzo Nannini
Thursday	June 24	9:00 am	Jane Hall
Saturday	June 26	9:00 am	Rocco DiSipio—6th Anniversary
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Saturday	June 26	4:00 pm	James P. Burns—1st Anniversary
Sunday	June 27	8:00 am	Virginia Ray—4th Anniversary
		9:45 am	Jane Marie McDonald
		11:30 am	James & Margaret McElaney



A friend once confided that holidays always made her feel uncertain about her ability to please her family. No one ever acknowledged her efforts to decorate the house, wrap presents, make a nice meal or create a festive atmosphere. She loved her family and did it for them, but she felt like she was taken for granted and everyone assumed she would just take care of things. She needed a little affirmation, a thank-you or a helping hand to know that she was appreciated. Somehow no one thought it was important enough to do.

So many people do things for us each day. Some do it out of love, others by choice, and still others as their job. But a simple word of thanks can mean so much. People need to know they are recognized and appreciated. It makes the workload lighter and helps everyone get through the day with a better attitude and a more positive outlook. It lets others know that we noticed and that their efforts are important. Our compliment encourages them to do their best and to see the good things that people do for them as well. It is not selfish to want to be noticed or appreciated. It is selfish to take others for granted, to expect the kindness of others as though we are owed. Share a little thanks today. Watch how your simple words can make a world of difference to others.

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**St. Bartholomew Soccer
Fall/Spring 2010/2011 Registration:**

For 1st and 2nd grade boys and girls:
Applications will be available at
Town Hall beginning June 7.

More info online [www.stbartholomew-needham.org/
children_and_youth/sports](http://www.stbartholomew-needham.org/children_and_youth/sports)
or call the St. Bart's Soccer hotline
with questions at 781-444-6559.

Northeast Catholic Family Conference: Please mark your calendars and join us for this Conference on **Sunday, June 27th, from 1:00-8:00 pm at St. Mary's Church in Waltham.** The theme of the conference is "Called to Greatness." It will rekindle the Truth in hearts of all ages - that we are "Called to Greatness." The day will feature an event with Cardinal Sean, Mass and Adoration, a Marian Procession, workshops for adults, separate teen and children's programs, a family cookout, and inspiring speakers including Leah Darrow, a former contestant on the reality television show, "America's Next Top Model." You don't want to miss this great event for the family. For more information and registration, please visit www.yHopefamily.org or call Fr. Mike Harrington at 781-956-0548.

STEWARDSHIP: “ DO JUST ONE THING”

With school letting out this week, it's official! Summer has arrived! For most of us the start of summer heralds a change of pace, a change of lifestyle. Life seems less frenzied, less formal. It is a time for vacations...a time to refresh both body and soul.

Before air conditioning became the norm, if we were to survive the long, hot, hazy, humid days of summers past, we were forced to live life at a different pace. Before cell phones, Blackberries, ipods, wi-fi, texting, and laptops, getting away meant just that. Going on vacation forced us to take a break from work and our everyday routines. When you went on vacation, you were for the most part, unreachable and unavailable.

Technology has certainly changed our lives and the way we interact with each other. In our hectic, non-stop lives most of us tend to “go with the flow”. We, all too often, allow our busyness to control our lives. If you do just one thing this summer -- take a break. Try and live life deliberately. Make sure this summer you make time to refresh both body and soul. You deserve it.

~Barbara Dury

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My church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I invite and bring them. It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a church with a noble spirit, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my church to be.

**A Family Rosary Conference
“As We Forgive”**

This Conference will be held on Saturday, July 17, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Father Peyton Center and Stonehill College in No. Easton, MA. This is for all members of the family. There will be a full day of activities, workshops, and lunch is included. There will be a special keynote talk by Dr. Greg Popcak, a nationally known expert in Catholic pastoral counseling. The event will include Eucharistic Adoration, Mission Rosary, and Vigil Mass. The cost is \$10 per person / \$50 maximum for a family. Register early for only \$40 for your family including lunch. For more information or to register call 508-283-4095 or 800-299-7729 or www.FamilyRosary.org/conference.

The Family That Prays Together Stays Together.

A Blessing for Fathers

May God bless you and guide you in your very special role as a father. May it always be for you a joy and a privilege. May you cherish your children from birth through adulthood, as unique and precious gifts from God.

May you always love and forgive them, as God loves and forgives you. May you be quick to praise and slow to find fault, and may you be wise in all your decisions.

May God reward you abundantly for all your fatherly love and care. And may God bless all our fathers who have gone to their rest. May they find comfort and joy in the arms of their heavenly Father. Amen.

Children and Youth

Religious Education

Registration: Don't forget...registration forms are available in the back of the Church and online!

Catechists: As our program continues to grow, we need more catechists to teach our children about their faith. You do not need to be an expert, only willing to learn and grow in your own faith and share it with others. For information on what it takes to be a catechist, speak to someone who is a catechist or to Maryellen Jennings (K-6) at mej161@comcast.net, or to Melisa Hughes (7th-10th grades) at: melisahughes@comcast.net.

Parent Advisory Task Force: As we plan events and activities for families and youth, it would be invaluable to have a group of parents to discuss with. If you would be interested in working with us, please speak to Fr. Phil or Melisa.

Middle School Leadership Institute:

“**Witness to Hope**” is an exciting overnight leadership institute specially designed for Roman Catholic Middle Schoolers who have just completed grades 6, 7 or 8. The result is that each participant deepens their own faith, knowledge, and skills in order to become a more effective leader and witness to hope. For more information, contact Danielle Olsen at 617-746-5750.

High School Leadership Institute:

“**Witness to Truth**” is a weeklong overnight leadership for Roman Catholic high schoolers who have just completed grades 9, 10, 11 or 12. The result of this experience is that each participant deepens their own faith, knowledge, and skills in order to become a greater leader and witness to truth back in their home, parish, school, and community. For more information, contact Danielle Olsen at 617-746-5750.

Pregnancy Help: This program of the Pro-Life Office of the Archdiocese of Boston offers free guidance and counseling for pregnant women who seek a solution other than abortion. For help, call toll free 1-800-649-0999. Local address and phone number: 5 Wilson St., Natick, MA 01760, 508-651-1900.

Domestic Violence: Do you or someone you know need help? Call 1-800-992-2600—a 24 hour hotline.

Mass Times in the U.S.A.

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

Catholic TV

Catholic TV is available in St. Bartholomew Parish:

Comcast Cable: Channel 268
(Digital Set Top Box required)

Verizon FiOS: Channel 271

Sky Angel IPTV: Channel 142

RCN: Channel 85

*Always and everywhere at:
www.CatholicTV.com*

STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE
Sharing: Time Talent Treasure

GRADUATION: 'Tis the season'

How many graduations do you suppose that you have attended in your life so far? You have attended your own and probably some of your children, friends and relatives. Graduations start in nursery school, and continue to elementary school, middle school, high school, college, graduate school, special education programs...and on and on. Each graduation marks a growth in learning and experience and maybe training in certain special skills. A graduation is a source of pride and joy at having completed something that the individual started and successfully finished. So far, so good. But how do we measure the growth in learning and experience in relation to our religious life and our relationship with God if we don't have graduations along the way?

Some might argue that the reception of the Sacraments is our "graduation". Most of us received our Baptism as babies - - hardly a learning opportunity. Receiving the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Penance and Confirmation we certainly evidence of a limited studied preparation. However, what happens then? Unfortunately, too often those confirmed see this moment as the end of their need to study their religion any further. Think for a moment about when you received your Sacrament of Confirmation. Now think about what you have done since then to learn more, to pray more, to "graduate" to a higher level in your relationship with God and His church. The most important relationship in life is often left to chance and little studied preparation. Jesus said "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me." Why would you follow anyone you don't know? And who would willingly take up his/her cross, if you don't understand the reasons why you should accept this undesired burden? "My sheep hear My Voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow Me." How often would you say that you have heard His voice? How attentive are you to listening? Have you ever really tried with any consistent effort to open yourself to hear Him? He certainly does know me; but how well do I really know Him? Follow Him???

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Having taken the group picture of her class, the teacher excitedly tried to get each child to purchase a picture. "Just think how much fun it will be when you are all grown up to look at this picture and say 'Look, there's Jennifer. She is a lawyer or Michael, he's a doctor'". A small voice at the back of the room rang out, "And there's the teacher. She's dead." A fact of life!

Stewardship Questions: Kathy Reilly at 781-444-0862.
 Email: kreilly15@yahoo.com

Please remember that if you wish home Communion or need a ride to church, please call me.

Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset.

~St. Francis de Sales

