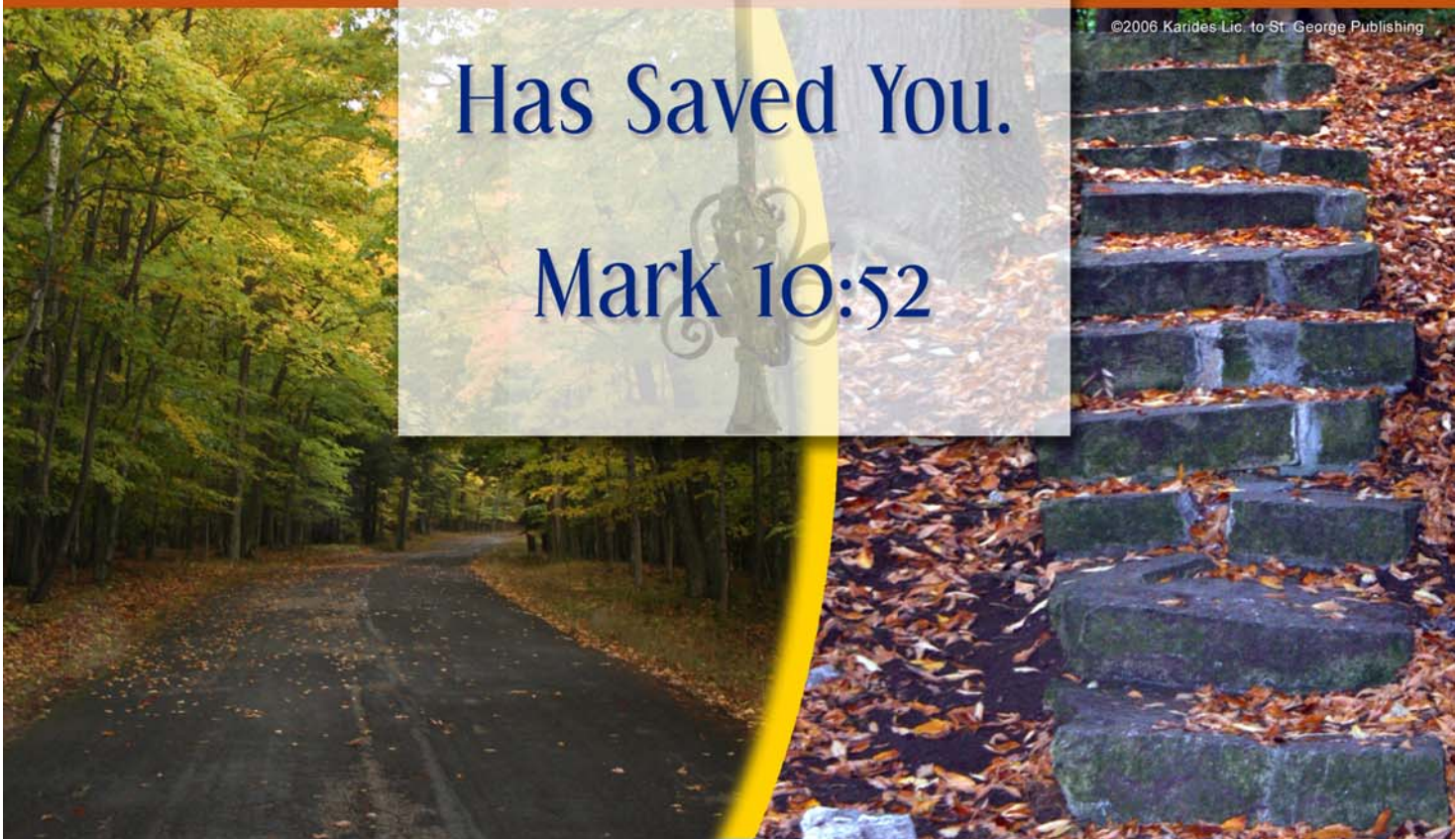


*Go Your Way*  
**Go Your Way**  
**Your Faith**



**Has Saved You.**  
**Mark 10:52**

# St. Bartholomew Parish

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## Parish Staff

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Elizabeth Healy,  
Religious Ed. Coordinator, Grades 7-10  
Mary Ellen Jennings,  
Religious Ed. Coordinator, Grades K-6

## Weekend Celebrants

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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.  
Benediction is at 7:30 pm.

## 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.



Grand Annual Collection- November 5, 2006: This collection is for the needs of St. Bartholomew Parish. You will be receiving a letter on this and more will be stated in coming weeks.

Eucharistic Minister Meeting: There will be a mandatory meeting for all Eucharistic Ministers on Sunday evening, November 5th at 7 P.M. in the church. Attendance will be taken and anyone not able to attend will be expected to attend a make up meeting. As we desire to continue to update and improve our liturgies it is essential that everybody understands the importance of this ministry.

The Next Scripture Class will be held on Monday, October 30th, at 10:00 a.m. in the O'Brien Room at the rectory. Please read chapters 10-15 in the Acts of the Apostles. Important questions to reflect on include: How can the Holy Spirit renew parish life? What are some conversions stories that you could talk about? How would you go about leading someone to conversion? What were the major questions facing the early Church?

St. Andrew Dinner: The Vocation Office of the Archdiocese of Boston is sponsoring a dinner with Cardinal Sean on Wednesday, November 8, 2006 from 5:30 pm— 8:00 pm at St. John's Seminary. This dinner is for high school young men who might be considering a vocation to the priesthood. The event is casual and provides an opportunity for conversation with Cardinal Sean. Any young man interested is asked to contact Fr. Phil.

Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed on Sunday, October 29th, following the 11:30 A.M. Mass.

Feast of All Saints: Wednesday, November 1st, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be on Tuesday evening, October 31st at 4P.M. and Wednesday, Nov. 1st, at 9 am, 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: What would we like Jesus to do for us? At different times in our lives we are blessed with different spiritual gifts and insights. The prayer of each of us is Jesus please help me to see what you wish me to do for you. I am sure there are many days in our lives where we feel we are out of focus. Notice that in today's readings Bartimaeus received much more than he asked for. He received along with his physical sight also a vision for living.

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Liturgy of the Word for Children

Liturgy of the Word is for all children, not just those who attend our Religious Ed classes. All are welcome to join us at the 9:45 am Mass each week during the school year. The children gather with the entire assembly, and then are invited to come forward with their adult leaders. They then process to a different location in the building and listen to the Word of God using a lectionary for children. They return to church at the Offertory.

BLOODMOBILE IMPORTANT NOTICE

Beginning this week, a group of very good volunteers from St. Bartholomew's Social Club will be making phone calls to prospective blood donors. The Bloodmobile which was scheduled to be held on Thursday, Nov. 2nd, has been rescheduled to Thursday, Nov. 30th. It will be jointly sponsored by St. Bartholomew's Church and St. Sebastian's School. Representing our Church, the St. Bartholomew Social Club will provide volunteers to call prospective blood donors and assist on the day of the Bloodmobile. We again call attention to our loyal blood donors that there has to be 56 days between blood donations. Therefore, anyone who donates blood after October 5th cannot donate at the November 30th Bloodmobile. If you wish to donate blood, please call Bob Carey at 781-444-6531.



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

*Mass Intentions*

Saturday	October 28	4:00 pm	Jeanne Dawson
Sunday	October 29	8:00 am	Stacy Yablonski
		9:45 am	Dirci Bussell
		11:30 am	The Mack & Ronayne Families
Monday	October 30	9:00 am	The Intention of Sr. Joan Rea
Tuesday	October 31	9:00 am	
Wednesday	November 1	4:00 pm	The Feast of All Saints
		9:00 am	The Feast of All Saints
		5:30 pm	The Feast of All Saints
		7:30 pm	The Feast of All Saints
Thursday	November 2	9:00 am	George H. Ellison
Friday	November 3	9:00 am	For the Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	November 4	9:00 am	For the Parishioners of St. Bartholomew's Church
Saturday	November 4	4:00 pm	Jeanne Dawson
Sunday	November 5	8:00 am	
		9:45 am	The Pancaldi & Nannini Families
		11:30 am	John R. Reilly, Jr.

*Scripture Readings*

**Week of October 29, 2006**

- 29 **Sun** Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52
- 30 **Mon** Eph 4:32—5:8/ Lk 13:10-17
- 31 **Tue** Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33 (122)/  
Lk 13:18-21
- 1 **Wed** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/ 1 Jn 3:1-3/ Mt 5:1-12a
- 2 **Thu** Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/  
Jn 6:37-40
- 3 **Fri** Phil 1:1-11/Lk 14:1-6
- 4 **Sat** Phil 1:18b-26/Lk 14:1, 7-11
- 5 **Sun** Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

**Youth Choir:**  
The next rehearsal for the St. Bart's Youth Choir will be this Monday, Oct. 30th, from 5:00-5:45 pm in the church. This will be our final rehearsal before singing at Mass on November 5th.

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

**G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together):** The Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 1, at 10:00 am in the O'Brien room at the rectory. The format is simple: a short social followed by prayer and reflection. We are most eager to have new members join us. This special time enables us to stop...listen...and grow closer to the Lord. It can be wonderful food for the soul!

**AMY'S BOOK CLUB**

A holiday celebration of Amy's Book Club will be on Tuesday, Dec. 12, at 12:30 pm at Chris Anastasia's house. Plan to meet at St. Bart's parking lot at 12:10 pm to carpool. The book to be discussed is "Miracles" by C. S. Lewis. All are welcome !

 *Collections*

**Weekend of Oct. 21-22**

Amount collected	\$5,024.15
Amount needed	\$6,000.00
Amount over/under	(\$ 975.85)

**World Mission Collection**

Amount collected	\$2,190.00
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**Thank you for your stewardship.**



**Classes:** On Monday, October 30th, there will be classes for all grades:

K-6 4:00-5:00 pm  
7-10 7:00-8:30 pm

All classes should meet in the Church before breaking into classes.

We hope all our Religious Ed students have a safe and fun Halloween!

**Did you know...**

Halloween, a Christian term meaning "holy evening," has its roots in the British Isles of ancient times. The Celts divided the year into two parts - summer and winter. October 31st was celebrated as the last day of summer. It was called "Samhain," meaning "summer's end." It was believed that on this night of seasonal changes, the curtain between the living and the dead was particularly thin. Spirits could rise up and roam the earth on this night. For protection, the Celts carved faces into turnips and other root vegetables and placed candles inside, hoping this eerie lantern would frighten off any bad spirits. Some people also wore costumes or masks to fool the spirits into thinking they were spirits too and should be avoided. When the Romans arrived, they brought their custom of a harvest festival with them which added to the celebratory spirit. As happened with many other pre-Christian customs, Samhain became a Christian holiday. In 835, Pope Gregory replaced Samhain with All Saint's Day, followed by All Soul's Day.

**Speaking of transitions,** parents are reminded that by the next class Daylight Savings will have commenced. Please exercise extra caution in the parking lot at pick-up time. Thank you.

Peace to all,  
Elizabeth Healy & Mary Ellen Jennings  
Religious Education Coordinators

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Mon., Oct. 30 Bible Study-10 am-O'Brien Rm.
- Mon., Oct. 30 Youth Choir practice-5 pm-Church
- Wed., Nov. 1 Prayer Group-10 am-O'Brien Rm.
- Thurs., Nov. 2 Adult Choir practice-7:30 pm
- Sun., Nov. 5 Community Sunday & Blood Pressure Screening—following the 8:00 & 9:45 Masses

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

**STOP THE WORLD: I HAVE TO GET OFF**

I have the flu. My throat is sore. My ears, eyes, head hurt. Even my hair hurts. And oh, the body aches and this awful cough. I awoke the next morning after the Healing service and four days later I am still in bed. ( No connection. It is going through my family. I'm number three to get it.) Being of the older set, I can stay in bed and not inconvenience anyone. (almost!) Pity the young mother who has to get out of bed and move to the sofa. Let the kids stay in their pjs all day. So what if they are eating a peanut butter and potato chip sandwich. They made it themselves. Maybe your youngest brings you a full glass of orange juice with floating Cheerios and says "I hope you feel better, Mommy." You have been called by name. Someone cares. You have to get off that rigid spinning world for a while.

I would like to tell you that in these four days that I have read the Good Book and said a dozen Rosaries. No such truth. My eyes have crossed and I can't count properly. Also the prayer words seem to get all mixed up. Only my moans are on key. And every once in a while, a voice calls me by name and says the magic words, "I've brought you some ginger ale." My last clear thought was of the final evening at our Mission, Retreat, Renewal.

As I am emerging from my fog, my thoughts go back to that Thursday night. Never has our church building been so filled with the Holy Spirit. We were united as one in His Name. Fathers Ron and Bob were compassionate and loving in their message of God's love. He truly knows and calls each of us by name even though sometimes we are not listening. The healing experience was exceptionally moving. As some struggled to get to the front of the church, others almost ran. After the blessing and being embraced by the Healers, many had wet eyes, tears silently running down their cheeks, or an almost beatific expression on their face reflecting joy and relief as if some great pain or burden had been lifted. I went up to be healed with my husband as a Healer with Father Bob. After I had my turn, my husband and I switched places. As Father Bob was saying the words, I closed my eyes and promptly spilled a little oil from the dish on my husband's jacket. Father Bob stopped and said "Look out ,Kathy, your spilling the oil on his jacket." I looked and said "That's ok, Father. I'll clean it off when we get home." He smiled and said "I know you will, but please do it in His Name." There is no task too insignificant to do in His name.

So as we move closer to the long cold winter, let's really see our friends and neighbors, and call them by name. "I've come to bring you some Ginger ale." And we'll know it is done in His Name.

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

Thank you again to the Healers and all who participated in the Retreat. You know your names and so does He.

## Men's Retreat

Glastonbury Abbey is offering a Men's Retreat: A Man's Road to Wisdom on November 17-19. It is often said that experience is the best teacher. But even the best teacher needs a student who is open to receiving, to learning and growing. Come together with other men on this retreat to celebrate, reflect on and share our common male journey toward knowledge and wisdom, wholeness and holiness. The presenters are Fr. Timothy Joyce, OSB and Fr. John Kelleher, OSB. The suggested donation is \$160.

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**Come to the Waters of Healing** is the theme for the Day of Prayer and Healing from the pain of abortion sponsored by the Project Rachel Ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston on Saturday, Nov. 4th, beginning at 9:00 am and concluding with a 4:00 pm Mass. The day is designed to help women hurting from past abortions to experience the personal love of Christ and find hope for healing. For more information, call Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or email: [help@projectrachelboston.com](mailto:help@projectrachelboston.com). All calls are confidential. *Trust in the tender embrace of God's mercy and love.*

**Divorce...Time to Heal:** Those who have themselves experienced divorce can offer understanding and hope through a network of peer support. A six-week program "Divorce...Time to Heal" is offered through the Office of Life and Family Ministries. The goals of the program are to provide support within a caring faith community and to guide the participants to find the positive and healthy ways to deal with the many emotions they are experiencing. This six-week program will be offered at Caritas Good Samaritan Medical Center, Moakley Building, 235 No. Pearl St., Brockton on Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 pm, from November 2-December 14.

Pre-registration is required for this program. Further information can be found on the Family Life website: [familylifeboston.com](http://familylifeboston.com). If you would like to register, or have questions, please contact Joanne Curry at 617-746-5820 or [Joanne\\_Curry@rcab.org](mailto:Joanne_Curry@rcab.org).



**Notre Dame Academy** in Hingham would like to invite you to a fun-filled evening with "The Singing Trooper" (Dan Clark). The show starts at 7:30 pm on Friday, Nov. 3rd. Refreshments will be served following the show. It is general seating—adults \$15 and seniors/students \$10. For tickets, please call 781-749-5930 or 781-447-2181.

**A Benefit Dance for Holy Ghost Fathers:** The 22nd annual Benefit Dance to aid the Irish Holy Ghost Fathers' Missions will be held on Friday, Nov. 3, starting at 8:00 pm at the Irish Social Club, 119 Park St., West Roxbury. There will be music by the Andy Healy Band, Irish step-dancing, an in-house raffle, a cash bar, and refreshments. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased at Most Precious Blood Rectory, Hyde Park, or at the door on the night of the dance. For information, contact Most Precious Blood Rectory at 617-364-9500.

**St. Joseph Elementary School** will be having an Information Night on Thursday, Nov. 7, at 7:00 pm in the school library (May St. entrance). For a preview, visit [www.saintjoes.com](http://www.saintjoes.com).

**The Parish Nurse Ministry** is offering an Osteoporosis Prevention Exercise Program every Thursday at 9:30 am in the Linse Room at St. Joseph's Church. The exercise provides very gentle muscle strengthening for the participant.

**Widow/Widower's Group:** Several Catholic churches in the area are interested in forming a group for widows/widowers—to offer support, friendship, spiritual growth and fun activities. If anyone 55 or older is interested, please call Jean at 781-769-2989.

**"Scouting for Food" Drive:** "Scouting for Food" benefits Needham families. All the items contributed will be given to the food pantry at the Needham Community Council. Scouts will drop off collection bags at homes in Needham between Saturday, Oct. 28, and Wednesday, Nov. 1. Residents are asked to place canned goods and non-perishable food in the bags, then put the bags outside their front doors before 8:00 am on the following Saturday, Nov. 4. On that morning the Scouts will pick up the bags and take them to the Masonic Hall on Highland Ave. The Scouts will sort and box the items for the Community Council. Whatever assistance you can give will be deeply appreciated.



## BIBLE RESEARCH

The first reading and the responsorial psalm this Sunday both refer to people being brought back, rejoicing, after having 'departed in tears.' These people were 'the captives of Zion,' Jews who had been conquered and taken into exile. The prophet Jeremiah lived at that time.

'The Exile' is a famous piece of biblical history. See what you can find out about it. Who conquered the Israelites, and when? Why were the Jews taken into exile, and where was their exile? When were they able to return? What was the importance of Jeremiah?

## CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS 1. He wanted this back 4. Forefront 6. Peoples 8. of Man 9. It is sowed 12. No-one takes this for himself 15. Rejoice 16. Single 17. People 18. Not beginnings 19. We do this to live



CLUES DOWN 1. Wrongdoing 2. Bring together 3. More than one 4. Past of 'is' 5. Priest at the time of Moses 7. Brought back from this direction 9. His faith did this for him 10. Mighty 11. Joyful 13. Zero 14. Not off

## A PICTURE TO COLOR

BLIND BARTIMAEUS CALLS OUT TO JESUS



*David Fielding*