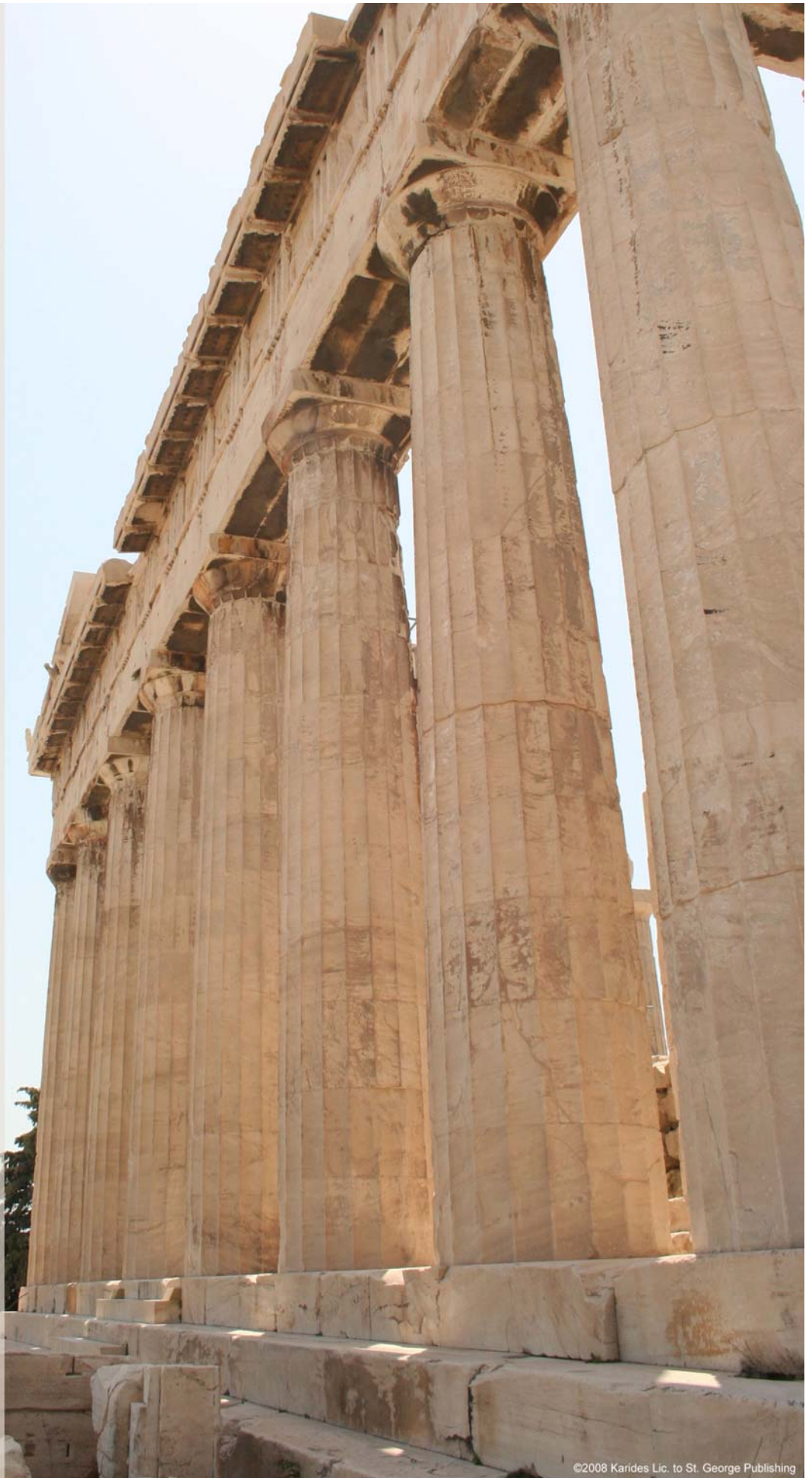


*A*ccording
to the **grace** of
God given to me,
like a wise master
builder I laid a
foundation,
and another is
building upon it.

*B*ut each
one must be
careful how he
builds upon it, for
no one can lay
a foundation
other than the
one that is
there, namely,
Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 3:10-11



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.



Feast of St. John Lateran: Today we celebrate the Feast of St. John Lateran. A church is a place where we meet God. In a special way St. John Lateran Church is referred to as the Pope's Church. We know that God is everywhere but we experience the presence of God in a special way in church, in prayer, worship, covenant and community. What does worship space mean to each of us? Each of us is called to be a temple of the Holy Spirit and the living presence of God. Each of us is invited to recognize that the promise of healing constitutes every covenant with God. The covenants remind us that in community we live love of God and love of neighbor. Love of neighbor is one of the ways that may enrich our love of God. Jesus invites us to come forward to cast our cares upon Him and experience His healing works. Each of us in return needs to be sensitive to people who are in need; within our families, our neighborhood and beyond. These are difficult times in a number of ways for so many people. As a parish and as individuals each of us might consider showing others additional kindnesses this week. Also may I suggest that we pray for those around the world who have no one else to pray for them.

Bible Study: There will be no class on Monday, November 10th. Classes continue on Monday, November 17th, at 10 am in the O'Brien Room. Please read chapters fifteen and sixteen in Mark's Gospel. During Advent we will begin the study of St. Paul's Letters.

Catholic Appeal: Presently we are at 94% of our goal with \$ 89,213 having been pledged. If you have not already made a contribution, may I ask you to consider this worthy cause. Our parish has had two hundred and eight pledges made to reach this amount. Our designated goal of participation had been set at two hundred and seventy-eight pledges. Many of the programs of the Archdiocese which address the needs of the poor come from this program. In any event, thank you for whatever ways you can help.

Recommended Reading

The Gospel of Mark by Mary Healy, Baker Academics, Grand Rapids, 2008.

Go and Make Disciples, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC, 2002.

Reflection Questions

What kindnesses am I going to show to others this week?

How have I helped others to experience Church as a sacred place of prayer?

How have I helped others to feel welcomed in our church and parish?

November is the month that the Church encourages us to remember and pray for our deceased loved ones in a special way.

Confessions will be heard after all the Masses this Sunday, November 9th.

The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed next Sunday, November 16th immediately following the 11:30 am Mass.

Hospitality

Parishioners are needed to help with the many aspects of hospitality and welcoming that accompany our many events and activities that go on at St Bart's. Please contact Dorothea O'Connell for information or to sign up for this important ministry at Speechwin@aol.com or call 781-449-4110.

A sampling of St Bart's Hospitality includes:

- Preparing and hosting simple receptions such as those that follow the Bereavement Mass, Parish Missions, and other special events
- Welcoming parishioners before or after Mass
- Visiting new parishioners to acquaint them with the parish
- Visiting and assisting parishioners in need with basic tasks

(You may wish to help with one or more aspects)

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday	November 8	4:00 pm	Catherine Fox
Sunday	November 9	8:00 am	Eleanor Josephine O'Leary
		9:45 am	Catherine Fox
		11:30 am	Robert S. Murphy
Monday	November 10	9:00 am	Dolphie & Lena Gnecco
Tuesday	November 11	9:00 am	For All Veterans—Living and Deceased
Wednesday	November 12	9:00 am	Paul Connolly
Thursday	November 13	9:00 am	The Gillis and Thissell Families
Friday	November 14	9:00 am	Vincent Frascatore
Saturday	November 15	9:00 am	
Saturday	November 15	4:00 pm	Urban Belval and Alice Belval
Sunday	November 16	8:00 am	
		9:45 am	Walter & Doris Nowak
		11:30 am	Mary Dowd

 *Collections*

Weekend of October 25-26

Amount collected \$5,588.35
 Amount needed \$6,000.00
 Amount over/under (\$ 411.65)

Weekend of November 1-2

Amount collected \$6,273.51
 Amount needed \$6,000.00
 Amount over/under (\$ 273.51)

Grand Annual Collection

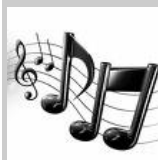
Amount collected \$11,325.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Prayer Group

G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together) will meet on **Wednesday, Nov. 12th, at 10:00 am** in the O'Brien Rom at the rectory. The format is simple: a short social followed by prayer and reflection. For those who have never been to the Prayer Group, we invite you to come and spend some quiet time with the Lord—to grow in your spirituality. Try it...you'll be glad you did.

Adult Choir

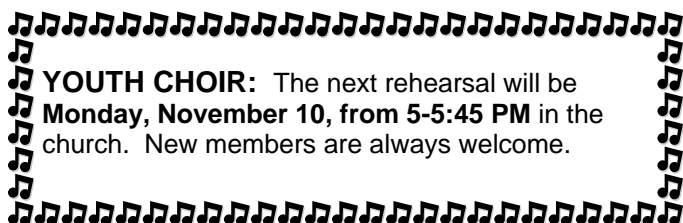


Are you looking to join a ministry at St. Bartholomew's? Why not consider the Music Ministry. The Adult Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:30-9:00 pm in the Church.

No auditions! Consider joining a fun group of people who enjoy praising God with beautiful and meaningful music. You can also join just to sing for the Little Christmas Concert. If you have any questions, please call Marianne Germano at 781-326-3670.

Amy's Book Club will meet on **Tuesday, November 25**. One of the books to be read is "Touching the Holy: Ordinariness, Self-Esteem and Friendship" by Robert J. Wicks. There will also be a book about Advent which will be detailed in another bulletin.

Movie Night will be held on **Tuesday, Nov. 18, at 7:00 pm in the O'Brien Room** at the rectory. We will be showing "Paul: Contending for the Faith." Join the adventure on the road as St. Paul travels through Israel, Syria, Turkey, Greece and Italy. You'll better understand the life, ministry, and sufferings of Paul the Apostle. You'll also better understand the gift of salvation and the Jewish roots of the Catholic Church.



YOUTH CHOIR: The next rehearsal will be **Monday, November 10, from 5-5:45 PM** in the church. New members are always welcome.

Children and Youth

Religious Education

Class Schedule:

K-6 grade have class on Nov, 10th
 All grades have class on Nov. 17th

Personal Safety Program will be starting for students in 1st – 6th grade on Monday Nov 10th. If you would not like your child to participate please inform either Maryellen Jennings or Melisa Hughes in writing. If you would like to review the content of this program please contact Melisa at melisahughes@comcast.net

Family Faith

We at St Bart's are always looking for fresh new ways to share our Catholic faith and traditions in ways that are fun, interesting, and relevant to inspire families to live out their faith at home. If this is something you are passionate about or have ideas to share, we are having a brainstorming meeting at **5pm on Monday Nov 10th**. Please contact Melisa melisahughes@comcast.net or 781-444-4343.

Thanksgiving Parish Project: As has been the custom here, once again this year the parish, in conjunction with St. Sebastian's School, will be collecting **non-perishable food items** to give to Our Daily Bread to help others who otherwise would not have much for Thanksgiving. Beginning Monday boxes will be at the rear of the Church for anyone who would like to donate. If you would like to contribute monetarily, please make checks payable to "Our Daily Bread" and mail them to the rectory or put in the collection baskets with a note that it is for Our Daily Bread.



Advent Wreaths & Candles

Advent Wreaths and Candles will be available for sale **after all Masses Nov 22-23 & Nov 29-30**. Parishioners are needed to help sell the wreaths. If it is possible for you to stay for about 20 minutes following a Mass that you are already attending on one of those weekends please contact the rectory.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., Nov. 9 Catechist Enrichment-5 to 7 pm
- Mon., Nov. 10 No Bible Study
- Mon., Nov. 10 Religious Ed classes for grades K-6
- Mon., Nov. 10 Pre-school Story Hour-4 pm in O'Brien Room
- Mon., Nov. 10 Youth Choir Rehearsal-5:00 pm
- Mon., Nov. 10 Parish Pastoral Council-7 pm
- Tues., Nov. 11 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**
- Wed., Nov. 12 Prayer Group-10 am
- Thurs., Nov. 13 Adult Choir Rehearsal-7:30 pm
- Sun., Nov. 16 Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet-12:30 pm-Church
- Mon., Nov. 17 Bible Study-10 am-O'Brien Room
- Mon., Nov. 17 Religious Ed classes for ALL grades
- Mon., Nov. 17 Pre-school Story Hour-4 pm in the O'Brien Room
- Tues., Nov. 18 Bloodmobile-2 to 7 pm-Ward Hall
- Tues., Nov. 18 Movie Night-7:00 pm-O'Brien Room
- Wed., Nov. 19 Prayer Group-10 am
- Wed., Nov. 19 Senior Social Club-2:30 pm-Ward Hall
- Thurs., Nov. 20 Adult Choir Rehearsal-7:30 pm

The Senior Social Club will gather in the church on **Wednesday, Nov. 19, at 2:30 pm** for our annual *Mass of Remembrance*. This is the time each year when we remember our deceased members. Please join us for this special Mass and for refreshments in Ward Hall after the Mass.

Bloodmobile



The annual Bloodmobile is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 18, from 2-7 pm**. It will be sponsored by St. Bartholomew Parish and St. Sebastian's School. There has to be 56 days between blood donations; therefore the last date that a donation could be made prior to our Bloodmobile was September 20th. Hope to see you at our Bloodmobile. If you wish to donate, you may call Bob Carey at 781-444-6531.

STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE
Sharing: Time Talent Treasure

“LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH” (Hymn)

“Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, family all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.....”

Two years of intense politics, sometimes very nasty, and a monetary crisis that has left us all bewildered, angry, and for the most part poorer, mostly through no fault of our own. These have not been peaceful times. The election has been completed. And despite whether our person won or lost, it is time for us to step back and put our lives into perspective. It is time for us to reevaluate what is truly important in our lives. Have we let these events affect our relationships in family and friends? Have we not had time for God? Despite its problems, we live in the most wonderful country on earth, truly God's gift to each of us. “No act of kindness, no matter how small goes unnoticed.” It is time to start small and grow in the grace of God. People are still dying for the privilege we have just experienced. The world will not end until our Father decides it so. Kindness to each other must be our new mantra. Let us walk in His light and not the shadows that we make.

“LET YOUR LIGHT DAWN IN OUR MINDS”
O God, let fear die and conviction be born in our lives. Let Your light dawn in our minds as the day dawns on the earth.
Let us not be so busy hurrying into the future and worrying about the past that we lose today---the only one we have.
God, help us do what we know we have to do today, and leave tomorrow to You.”

~Marion Wright Edelman

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

Needham Knights of Columbus, Council #1611 Pancake Breakfast: Sunday, November 16th, 8:30am – 12pm, K of C Hall, 1211 Highland Ave. \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under the age of 12. All proceeds will benefit youth groups of our local Catholic parishes. ALL are welcome to attend. For more information contact Mike Riley; 781-956-0472 or Bob Timmerman 781-444-3419.

Kids Night Out

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

When: **Saturday, December 13, after the 4:00 Mass until 9:00 pm**

Who: All children grades K-6

All children MUST be pre-registered by Wednesday, Dec. 10th, 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.

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.

There will be a number of Christmas movies shown. Also, if your child would like to bring a sleeping bag or blanket to snuggle up with, please feel free to do so! There will be more info in upcoming bulletins; we just wanted to get the date out ASAP.

Information Night: St. Joseph Elementary School in Needham will hold an Information Night on **Thursday, November 13, at 7:00 pm** in the school library. For a preview, visit www.saintjoes.com.

Give Thanks Together

The Rotary Club of Needham and the Needham Community Council will co-sponsor the annual *Thanksgiving Day Dinner* at 12:00 pm on Thursday, November 27th, at the Masonic Hall, 1101 Highland Ave., Needham.

This **FREE** dinner is offered to people of all ages who wish to experience community and camaraderie with their fellow neighbors. A delicious, traditional home-cooked turkey dinner with all the trimmings will be served.

Door prizes and live musical entertainment will add to the festivities. **FREE** transportation is available. For those unable to join in the fun at the Hall, a “Take-Out” service is available.

Anyone who wishes to attend the dinner, needs a ride, or would like home delivery, contact the Needham Community Council at 781-444-2415 to make your reservations in advance.

Veterans Day Prayer

God of the ages, we thank You for all who have served in the armed forces of this country. We thank You for the freedom their sacrifice has earned and guarded for us. Help us to prize this freedom and use it well.

We ask You to bless all living veterans in a special way today, as well as the families of all veterans.

Comfort those who grieve for those who gave the last full measure of devotion. Strengthen those who bear physical, emotional, and spiritual wounds. Stand with those who provide care to them. Move us to reach out to sisters and brothers who are veterans, or relatives of veterans, or who currently serve in the military.

We pray for the day when no one needs to serve in the military. Help us to live now in anticipation of that day, as people who long for peace, who pray for peace, and who seek to be peacemakers in this world.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

From "It takes a Church..." by Mark Roberts



Dedication of Saint John Lateran Basilica

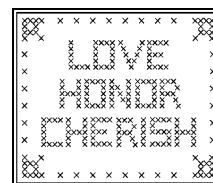
When our family traveled to visit relatives, certain places along the way took on special significance. Landmarks, hamburger stands and rest areas marked the distance. But the most important places were old buildings where great grandparents had been employed or homes where my parents grew up. Many years later, these places still hold a special significance because of the people who once were there.

St. John Lateran is a special place in the life of the Church. It is the Cathedral of Rome, the church that houses the Chair of Peter. So many significant events took place here: treaties signed, religious orders began, and Papal pronouncements made. The décor is magnificent, with towering statues of the Apostles and over each one, a painting of a prophet, a reminder that the church is founded on the apostles and martyrs. The Lateran has a Latin inscription on the façade that reads in part: the head and mother church of all the churches of the city and the world.

In the Church's journey of faith, this is one of the special landmarks. We honor St. John Lateran for its unique role in the life and mission of the Church. As a sign of faithfulness and love, it is indeed the head and mother church of all the world.

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Marriage Encounter: By offering Married Couples the beautiful experience of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, the Catholic Church is affirming and supporting you in your chosen vocation – Marriage. Take advantage of this great gift to enhance your relationship and enjoy a love-filled weekend away together. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in New England is December 5-7. For more information call Ralph & Jane Becker at 1-800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwmeMA.org



CROSSWORD
(Most answers are in today's readings)

CLUES ACROSS

- It shines
- Jacob took one for a pillow
- Correct
- Missing
- Large groups of people
- This planet
- Top part of the body
- To pay back
- Heavenly light and strength
- We drink this

CLUES DOWN

- A place of worship
- Follows day 3. Put in place
- Used in anointing
- The sun rises there
- First numeral above zero
- Father of Jacob
- Rescue
- Dried grass
- Hurt; damage
- Wonder

Last week's wordsearch

S	G	H	N	O	T	Z	P	H	A	N	D
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