



Blest are you Lord, God of Creation.

Through your goodness  
we enjoy the fruits of the earth and share the loving gifts of family and friendship.

We ask your blessings  
on our guests, our table and our home.

We offer thanks  
for the love with which this festive  
meal was prepared,

We offer thanks  
for the love and joy which brings us  
together to partake of it.

In gratitude  
for your continued care over us,

Make us mindful  
of the needs of others,

That we may show  
our thanks in the manner of our living.

May our hearts  
be filled with love and praise,

As we pray in your holy name,

Amen

# St. Bartholomew Parish

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## Parish Staff

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## Weekend Celebrants

Fr. Hugh Lagen, S.M.A.  
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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 on Thirty-third Sunday of the Year:**

In today's Gospel Jesus makes it clear that we are not to be afraid of the Kingdom of God. Signs of the Kingdom of God are already among us. Do we recognize some of these signs and do these signs give us anxiety or hope? The readings today are encouraging us to persevere in our faith. Hope and love are qualities that must be strong in the life of a disciple of Jesus.

**Bible Class:** The next class will be Monday, **November 19th, at 10:00 am** in the O'Brien Room in the Rectory. New people are always welcome.

**Movie Night:** On Tuesday, **November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** the movie "The Queen" will be shown in the McCullough Room in the school.

**Reflection on Thanksgiving:** One of the most important parts of human living is to give thanks to God. A life of thanksgiving contains qualities of generosity, compassion, stewardship, and cooperation. Mindful that we are all made in the image and likeness of God, we strive to help every person to live with dignity and to be the best we can be. By living qualities of thankfulness may each of us know the true joy of the Thanksgiving holiday. God bless you.

**Thanksgiving Day Mass:** On Thanksgiving Day, November 22nd, the daily Mass will be at **8:30 am** instead of the customary 9:00 am to give everyone a chance to give praise to God for the many blessings that He has bestowed on us.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection This Sunday:** There will be a second collection taken up this weekend for Human Development which is the Catholic Church's anti-poverty program here in the United States. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development raises awareness about the causes of poverty in our country and seeks to help people in need.

**Catholic Appeal:** Presently the Archdiocese of Boston has reached 84% of its goal. Here we have pledged \$ 87,145 which is 86.7% of our goal. We are now within \$13,400 of our parish goal. . Please continue to pray for the success of the Appeal. Thank you.

Dear Friends,

Every year I say the same thing – Thanksgiving is going to be bigger than ever. I hate to say it, but it is truer than ever.

I have begun my annual "hoarding" of food in anticipation of this year's turkey giveaway. Presently, I have 19,000 lbs. of non-perishable food ready to be bagged. By November 13, I will have 30,000 lbs. ready to be sorted and bagged. Years ago I used to think in terms of thousands of pounds for hundreds of families for Thanksgiving; now, I think in tens of thousands of pounds of food for thousands of families.

Recently, someone asked me why we do so much at Thanksgiving. The answer was simple – If the work we do will provide a family with the same meal you and I have every Thanksgiving, then it is truly a reason to be thankful.

Please know that I am beyond grateful for all that St. Bartholomew's Parish does for those in need. I see the smiles and get the hugs from people who can't afford to put food on their table. As of today I have 2500 families signed up. Project Bread tells me to expect more though. At present, I have 346 turkeys coming so far at no cost. Your contributions will go a long way toward helping those in need. I appreciate whatever donation you are able to give — be it non-perishable food items or monetary donations. Please make checks payable to "Our Daily Bread". Thank you immensely.

Your Friend of Many Years,  
Beth Chambers

(Boxes will be at the rear of the Church for your donations of non-perishable food. Monetary donations can be mailed to the rectory or put in the collection baskets.)

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

*Mass Intentions*

Saturday	November 17	4:00 pm	Urban Belval
Sunday	November 18	8:00 am	Susan Zajonc—1st Anniversary
		9:45 am	Frederick & Mary Muir
		11:30 am	Bereavement Mass
Monday	November 19	9:00 am	James McInerney
Tuesday	November 20	9:00 am	Helen Dailey
Wednesday	November 21	9:00 am	Arthur & Philip Chiappisi
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>November 22</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day Mass</b>
Friday	November 23	9:00 am	
Saturday	November 24	9:00 am	The Doolin & Finnigan Families
Saturday	November 24	4:00 pm	The Harrington, McCarthy & Igo Families
Sunday	November 25	8:00 am	Mark Hansen
		9:45 am	Mary Lou Casey
		11:30 am	James Shaughnessy—Active Duty in Iraq

*Scripture Readings*

- 18 Sun Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19
- 19 Mon 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/  
Lk 18:35-43
- 20 Tue 2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10
- 21 Wed 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28
- 22 Thu 1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44 23
- 23 Fri 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48
- 24 Sat 1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40
- 25 Sun 2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

 *Collections*

**Weekend of November 10-11**

Amount collected	\$5,373.95
Amount needed	\$6,000.00
Amount over/under	(\$ 626.05)

**Grand Annual Collection**

Amount collected to date    \$20,745.00

**Thank you for your stewardship.**

**Prayer Group**

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

**Amy's Book Club**

The next meeting of the Book Club will be on **Tuesday, November 27th, at 12:30 pm** in the O'Brien Room at the rectory. The book to be read is Saint Gianna Beretta Molla: A Woman's Life by Giuliana Pelucchi, Pauline Books and Media, Boston, 2002.

**MARK THE DATE!!**

St. Bartholomew's Parish is excited to announce that we will have a Handbell Choir performance on Sunday, December 9th, at 2:00 pm followed by light refreshments. Please plan to join us!!



**The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet** will be prayed on Sunday, November 25th, following the 11:30 am Mass.

**Youth Choir:** Rehearsal this week will be on Monday, November 19th, from 5:00-5:45 pm in the Church. New members are always welcome.

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

# Children and Youth

## TEEN MINISTRY

Youth Mass – Mass & Pizza for teens 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up  
**Sunday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** in the rectory chapel.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

There will be religious education classes for all grades on Monday, November 19th.

**CHRISTMAS PAGEANT:** Each year we hold a dramatization of the Christmas story performed by our children.

- The pageant is open to all parish children 5 years old and up (even if they are not in the Rel. Ed. Program)
- Children perform on Sunday Dec 16<sup>th</sup> and Dec 24<sup>th</sup> (students playing the parts of Mary and Joseph must be present for both performances, all others can be present for both or either)
- Practices start in early Dec, dates to be announced.

Questions? Contact Christy Anastasia at: clovea@comcast.net

**CYO BASKETBALL:** We need assistant coaches for our girls teams. If interested, please call Melisa Hughes in the rectory, 781-444-4343 or melisa-hughes@comcast.net

**THANKS:** to our Middle School and High School students who served breakfast at the Pine St Inn last weekend. Your service is greatly appreciated both by the parish and the residents of Pine St Inn!

### Social Club

The Social Club will gather in the church on **Wed., Nov. 21, at 2:30 pm** for our Annual Mass of Remembrance.

This is the time when we remember deceased family and friends, and especially deceased members of the Social Club. Following the Mass, we will enjoy refreshments and a social hour in Ward Hall. Please join us for this special remembrance.

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

### "REMEMBER ME"

How flattering is it when someone remembers our name unexpectedly or says after a somewhat long absence, "Oh, I remember what you said to me at our last meeting," and then repeats it. Conversely, how embarrassing it is when we cannot remember someone or something, when we feel we should have instant recall. And we can't dismiss or shrug all of it off by blaming old age. Nor should we ignore our lapses by thinking that remembering the past really isn't important anyway. Remembering what is truly important is a very necessary part of being human, particularly a Christian human being. The past contributes deeply into who we are.

November is the month of All Saints and All Souls. Jesus specifically asked us to honor and remember the dead. They need our prayers to help them on their heavenly journey. And we need their intercession as we struggle here on earth. We will never know how much our prayers helped them cross over. And we will never know how their prayers for us have made our earthly journey a little easier and more tolerable, especially in difficult times. The night before He died, when at the Last Supper Jesus gave us the Holy Eucharist, His words asked us to "Remember Me." At every Consecration, in every Mass the words are repeated "Do this in memory of Me." As Nature has slowly lost its obvious displays of vibrant beauty, and the days of bright sunshine grow shorter, it has become easier to turn inward. We are not so distracted. These Holy Days come at a moment in our calendar life, when stopping to remember is easier and all the more evident in its necessity, before we go forth into Advent and the joy of Christ's Birth-the new beginning. However, for as long as we live, we should not need a holy day or calendar to remind us to "Remember Me" and all others who have gone before us. For we remember also that our Lord knows each and everyone of us and calls us His own. Our forgetfulness is never His.

REMEMBER ME; JESUS; LORD; FATHER, SON, HOLY SPIRIT; HOLY MOTHER; SAINTS; THOSE WHO HAVE NO ONE TO PRAY FOR THEM; THOSE WE HAVE KNOWN AND LOVED AND WHO HAVE LOVED US. Pray for us, just as we will remember you.

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

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Stewardship Note: Father Phil drew a name out of the bowl for our Thanksgiving turkey. Joan Lowney, a member of our wonderful choir, was the lucky recipient. Thank you, Joan, and all the other choir (senior and junior) members who contribute so much of their personal time to increase the joy in our parish spiritual life. Joan, we recognize you and thank you on behalf of all our wonderful good stewards of St. Bartholomew's. Enjoy!

**Bloodmobile:** Our volunteers will continue making calls this week to prospective blood donors. This would be for the Bloodmobile which is jointly sponsored by St. Bartholomew Church and St. Sebastian's School. It is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday, November 27th, from 2:00-7:00 pm.** Keep in mind that there has to be 56 days between blood donations which means that anyone who has donated blood after October 1st, 2007 cannot donate at our Bloodmobile. If you wish to donate, call Bob Carey at 781-444-6531.



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Sun., Nov. 18 Bereavement Mass-11:30 am
- Sun., Nov. 18 Youth Mass-6:00 pm-rectory chapel followed by pizza
- Mon., Nov. 19 Bible Study-10 am-O'Brien Room
- Mon., Nov. 19 Rel. Ed. Classes for **all grades**
- Mon., Nov. 19 Pre-School Story Hour-4:00 pm-O'Brien Room at the rectory
- Mon., Nov. 19 Youth Choir Rehearsal-5:00 pm
- Tues., Nov. 20 Movie Night-7:00 pm-McCulloch Room-showing "The Queen"
- Wed., Nov. 21 **Parish Office Closes at 12 Noon**
- Wed., Nov. 21 Prayer Group-10 am-O'Brien Room
- Wed., Nov. 21 Social Club Mass of Remembrance in the Church—2:30 pm
- **Thurs., Nov. 22Thanksgiving Mass-8:30 am**
- **Thurs., Nov. 22Parish Office Closed**
- **Fri., Nov. 23 Parish Office Closed**
- Sun., Nov. 25 Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet following the 11:30 Mass
- Mon., Nov. 26 Bible Study-10 am-O'Brien Room
- Mon., Nov. 26 No Religious Ed classes
- Tues., Nov. 27 Amy's Book Club-12:30 pm-O'Brien Room
- Tues., Nov. 27 Bloodmobile-2 to 7 pm-Ward Hall
- Tues., Nov. 27 Finance Committee Mtg-7:30 pm
- Wed., Nov. 28 Prayer Group-10 am-O'Brien Rm.
- Thurs., Nov. 29 Adult Choir Rehearsal-7:30 pm
- Sat., Dec. 1 First Saturday Devotion-following the 9:00 Mass
- Sun., Dec. 2 Community Sunday & Free Blood Pressure Screening following the 8:00 & 9:45 Masses

**A Mass of Remembrance for Pre-Born Children** who have been lost to miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion will be held on 7:30 pm on Wednesday evening, November 28, at St. Patrick's Church, 44 East Central St., Natick (Route 135). Rev. J. Bryan Hehir, Cabinet Secretary for Social Services of the Archdiocese of Boston, will offer the homily. Parents, grandparents, and siblings who have suffered the loss of these little ones are invited to join. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100.

**Kids Night Out**

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

**When: Saturday, Dec. 8, after the 4:00 Mass until 9:00 pm\*\***

**Where:** The McCulloch Room in the school

**Who:** All children grades K-6

All children **MUST** be pre-registered 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.

December movies will be: "Polar Express" and "Ratatouille."

\*\*Please note that Kid's Night Out has been extended one hour just for this month to give parents more time to shop or go out for dinner or to a movie.

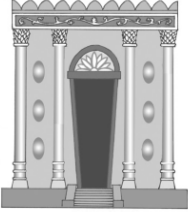
In order for us to extend the time, we will be in need of additional volunteers to handle the larger number of children who will be attending. Please call Debby if you can help.





### FAITH FACTS

A view of the sanctuary of the temple



The reading from Luke 21: 5-19.

Jesus told his disciples that the buildings they admired so much would be razed to the ground. This later happened exactly as Jesus had said.

In 66A.D. the Jews rebelled against the Romans. A Roman army commanded by Titus conquered Jerusalem and destroyed the temple in 70A.D. Titus went on to become emperor of Rome. In 135A.D., after another rebellion by the Jews, the emperor Hadrian razed Jerusalem to the ground. Thus, the great buildings were indeed completely flattened.

### CODE - BREAKER!

Crossword solution from last week

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The sentence below is to be found in one of today's readings. Can you break the code and write in the sentence? Here are two clues: H = R and M = W.

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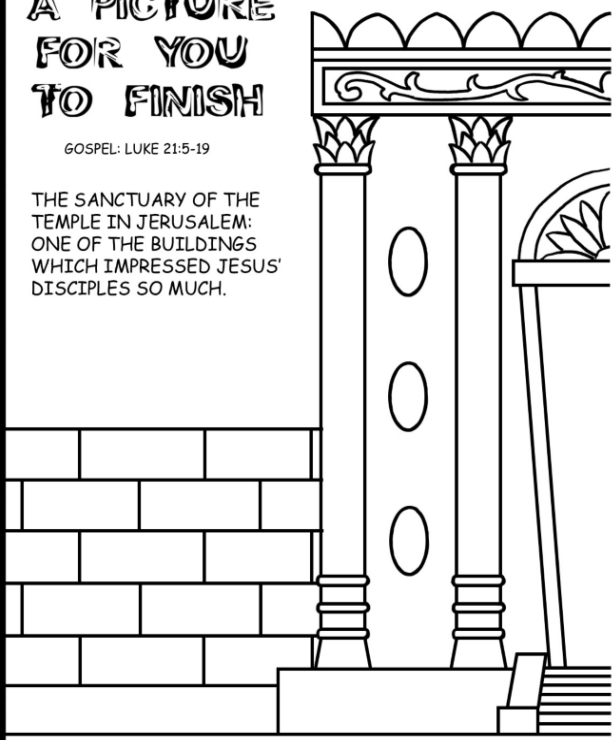
ANSWER

When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified.

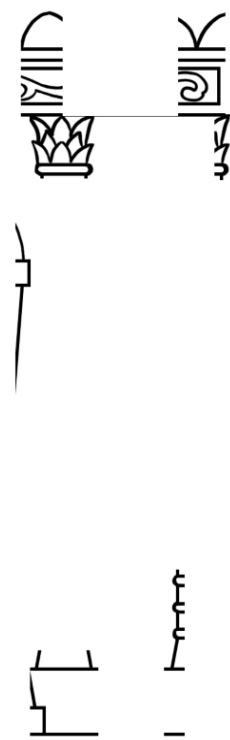
### A PICTURE FOR YOU TO FINISH

GOSPEL: LUKE 21:5-19

THE SANCTUARY OF THE TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM: ONE OF THE BUILDINGS WHICH IMPRESSED JESUS' DISCIPLES SO MUCH.



THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE PICTURE SHOULD BE A MIRROR IMAGE OF THE LEFT. SOME PIECES HAVE BEEN PUT IN TO HELP YOU.



David Filding