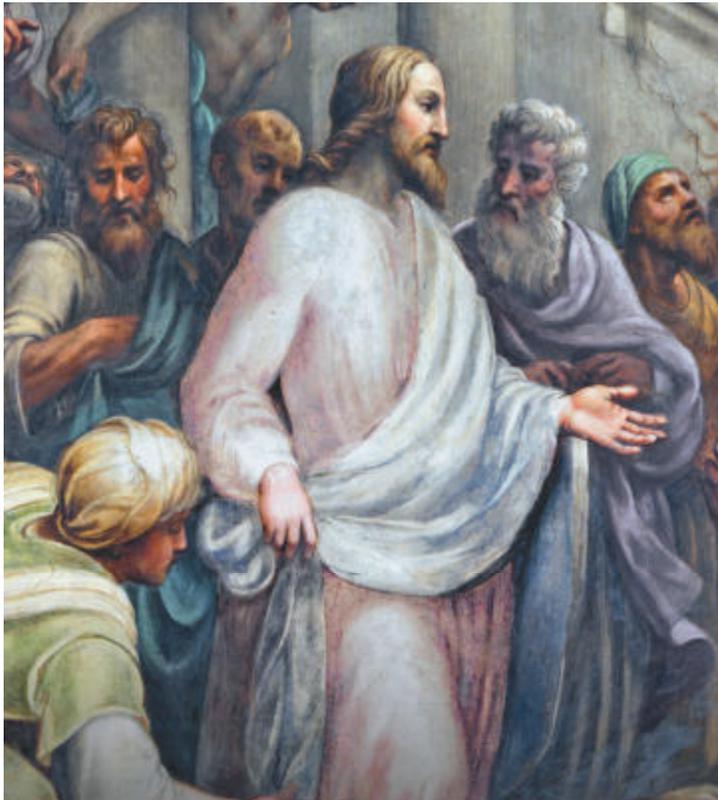


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## 22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCC

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**Mission Statement:** We, the members of St. Bartholomew's Parish, will strive to work for a vibrant and loving Eucharistic community. In the spirit of Christ, we commit ourselves to the service of humanity - in our parish, neighborhood, archdiocese and the universal Church. We will strive to enrich our community spiritually, pastorally and socially, and to be a family of worship and prayer for all.

Rev. Raphael Ezeh, MSP, Pastor  
Deacon Robert A. Clemens  
Karen Maccia McKenna, Parish Administrative Assistant  
Cheryl Duda, Religious Education Coordinator  
Erika Podoprigora, Organist and Music Director

Rectory/Parish Office : (914) 965-0566  
Religious Education Office: (914) 476-6676

Masses: 5:00 p.m. on Saturday (Vigil);  
9:30 (also live streamed) and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday  
Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. (also live streamed) Monday through Friday;  
9:00 a.m. Saturday (also live streamed)

Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

**Parish Membership:** Every family and single adult to be considered active members of St. Bartholomew's Parish must be properly registered in the parish, receiving and regularly using the parish weekly donation envelopes. Only in this way can the parish issue documents attesting to parish membership and Catholic practice, e.g. a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. New parishioners are requested to visit the parish office.

**Sick & Shut-ins:** The priests are available to administer the Sacraments to those who are unable to come to Church. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is part of the healing ministry of the Church, and should be received early in an illness or before a serious operation.

**Baptisms:** Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

**Marriages:** In order to provide sufficient time for the Marriage Preparation Course, please call the parish office and ask to speak with the pastor at least six months in advance of the wedding.

**Parish Council:** Meets on the Monday evening after the third Sunday of the month.

**Holy Name Society:** Meets on the Monday evening after the second Sunday of the month. President, Joseph Chimenti

**Rosary Altar Society:** Meets on the Monday evening after the first Sunday of the month. President, Liz Mulvaney

**Bereavement Ministry:** For information call (914) 965-0566, Tina Falcone

**Trustees:** Sam Farraj, Anna Legio

PUT GOD'S WORD INTO ACTION

Jesus quotes Isaiah when responding to the Pharisees and scribes: "This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me" (Mark 7:6). How do we honor the Lord with our hearts rather than our lips? For Moses, it was by obedience. Obedience to God's commandments, whole and entire, is what he demanded from the people. Living in accord with God's commands was possible when one took God's word to heart. It would then in turn inspire nonbelievers because they would recognize the wisdom and intelligence behind these laws after seeing the justice and well-being of the Chosen People.

Jesus paints a vivid picture of hypocrisy by quoting Isaiah's contrast between lips and hearts, between giving lip service and being moved in our hearts to do something. It is not that what we say is unimportant, but it is not nearly as important as our impulses and motivations within our hearts. Jesus lists all sorts of detestable impulses that can come from within our hearts, qualities and behavior that defile our purity much more seriously than failing to purify our hands or our belongings. If your outward cleanliness does not reflect your inner attitude, it has lost its meaning.

How do we show our gratitude to someone who's given us something wonderful? We may give them something in return or we can share it with someone else. James tells us that every perfect gift comes from God and in fact God has planted the word of truth in each of us. What should we do with that word, of God in us? James is clear: "Be doers of the word and not hearers only" (James 1:22). To thank God for giving us the word, we share it, we put it into action

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

What will I do this week to put God's word into action? Has God's word truly penetrated my heart?

*Blessings*

*Fr. Raphael Ezeh, MSP*



**THE HOURS FOR THE PARISH OFFICE ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM. The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday and Thursday.



**REMINDER:** Karen will be on vacation from Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup> and will return to the office on Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. During that time, the Parish Office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 pm. for any phone calls or urgent matters.



**THE ALTAR FLOWERS & ALTAR BREAD AND WINE** are donated in loving memory of Angelina Brusco by Angela Brusco.



**THE ALTAR CANDLES & SANCTUARY LAMP** are lit in loving memory of Angelina Brusco by Angela Brusco.

**FOR THE WEEKEND MASSES, THE SATURDAY MASS AT 5 PM AND THE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:30 A.M., WILL BE SAID FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH. THIS SUNDAY MASS, AUGUST 29<sup>TH</sup>, AT 9:30 A.M. WILL BE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:**



**DECEASED:**

- Elizabeth Laredo +
- Radames Blanco +
- Luis Angel Blanco +

**LIVING**

*We pray for the following intentions:*  
David Zevon (Living)

**FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES:**



**Register now for next year's Religious Education program.** Children in public school who will be entering First Grade through High School in September are eligible for these classes. Please call Cheryl Duda at 914 476-6676 for more information.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation** (popularly known as RCIA) is the process designed by the Church for adults to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. Please contact Cheryl Duda at 914-476-6676 if you or somebody you know might be interested in the program.



**Meals for a Soup Kitchen:** The Immaculate Conception monthly meal of either ziti or rice and beans will be collected **FOR SEPTEMBER on Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> one half hour before the 5 p.m. Mass and on Sunday September 5<sup>th</sup>, one half hour before the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.** Trays will be available for those who wish to donate food beginning **THIS Saturday and Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> and August 29<sup>th</sup>. May God bless you all for your generosity and stay safe.**





**THE SCHEDULE FOR MASSES IN ST. BART'S IS AS FOLLOWS:**

**MASSES MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7 AM AND 9 AM (9 AM MASS LIVE STREAMED ALSO FOR THOSE AT HOME)**  
**SATURDAY MASS: 9 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME)**  
**SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5 PM**  
**SUNDAY MASSES AT 9:30 AM (ALSO LIVE STREAMED FOR THOSE AT HOME) AND 11:30 AM.**

**WHEN ATTENDING MASS, PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN YOUR NAME ON THE SIGN UP SHEETS ON THE TABLE AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.**

**\*\*\*\*CONFESSIONS ARE ON SATURDAY FROM 4 TO 4:30 PM\*\*\*\***

**ADORATION & HOLY HOUR:** This Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, is First Friday. We will have Holy Hour at 1 p.m. Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, is First Saturday. The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at 3 p.m. All are invited to spend an hour to come and adore Jesus Christ Who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist.



**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**  
**Give it all Back**

Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. This worldview tends to make mincemeat of our Catholic social teachings. Seeking the good of the poor, a call to community and participation, solidarity — on the face of it, in a society where everything must be earned and we are encouraged to hoard for ourselves whatever success we can achieve, these principles look a lot like highway robbery.

But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, all-loving and all-merciful God, it turns our gunslinging sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive?

Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls.

Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense?

The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs?

Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it — that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you — that's justice.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS, LPI

**OUTSIDE NEWS**

The Catholic Widows and Widowers Bereavement Group is holding their annual Mass and Communion Breakfast on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Mass at St. Anthony's Church, 10 Squire Avenue, Yonkers, NY at 10 a.m. followed by breakfast at Fairways at Dunwoodie Golf Course, One Waslenko Lane, Yonkers, NY. The cost is \$30. Bring a friend. For more information, please call 914 423-5331.



**TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**  
**SUNDAY COLLECTION UPDATED**

*August 22, 2021– Tithing*

*COLLECTION WILL BE UPDATED IN BULLETIN ON SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>.*

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**IT'S EASY TO SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING**

**EASY LINK FROM THE PARISH WEBSITE**

You can set up separate one time or recurring donations for the different collections (regular weekly, snow removal, Christmas, etc.) or you may wish to begin with the regular collections, try it out and when you are comfortable, you can sign up for the others. **Also, know if you set up for recurring donations, you are in full control and can always change or cancel at any time.** And by donating in this manner you may get the added benefit of accumulating additional points or cash on your credit card while at the same time helping out the parish. So, give it a try and sign up today!!!! **IT'S EASY!!! Go to: [www.saintbartsparish.org](http://www.saintbartsparish.org) (BE SURE TO SPELL OUT SAINT) and click on the We Share online giving link. Follow the instructions. (WE SHARE HAS REPLACED PARISH PAY).**



**If you have any questions or problems, contact the Parish Office and leave a message or e mail us at [stbartschurch@aol.com](mailto:stbartschurch@aol.com).**



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ann Lackner, Gail Chappory, Anna Bonacci, Deacon Bob Clemens, Gina Obalde, Ron and Sally Petro, Angela Lutomski, Richard (Dick) Novak, Harold Sullivan, Manuel Obalde, Jr., Anthony Spinner, Steven Sarich, John McKenna, Antony Gorge Ferreira, Jeri Michele Sugrue, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ann Pezzola, Edith Kelly, Carole Romanowski, Theresa Chappory, Susan Rivera, Kenneth Chappory, Ann McShane, Ellen Chimenti, Gianna Whitehead, Dan Panik, Dominick Francis Marra, Edward Minozzi, Robert Minnucci, Lucia Sevivas, James Burns, Josephine Giabattista, Loni Shost, Ken Shost, and Emil Kurak.

**Please contact the Parish Office and leave a message or e mail us at [stbartschurch@aol.com](mailto:stbartschurch@aol.com), if you wish to add a loved one to the sick list.**

August 29, 2021



**Saturday, August 28 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish  
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**Sunday, August 29, 2021**

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Elizabeth Laredo +  
Radames Blanco +  
Luis Angel Blanco +  
David Zevon (Living)

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish  
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**Monday, August 30**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM William Gorman +

**Tuesday, August 31**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Walter Duda +

**Wednesday, September 1**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Walter Duda +

**Thursday, September 2**

**Weekday**

7:00 AM No Intention  
9:00 AM Emily LaValle +

**Friday, September 3**

**Saint Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church**

7:00 AM Joseph T. Pasqualoni, III +  
9:00 AM Henry & Lucille Kurtz +

**Saturday, September 4**

**Weekday**

9:00 AM Luigi & Marie Martucci +  
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**Saturday, September 4 (Anticipated Mass)**

5:00 PM For All The People of Our Parish  
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**Sunday, September 5, 2021**

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM Angelina Brusco +  
Oscar Starkenberg +  
Frank, Carmela & Dina Legio +

11:30 AM For All The People of Our Parish

August 29, 2021

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You in my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and I unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

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**Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection**

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.  
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain,  
with steadfast faith.  
You, Our Lady of New York, know what we need.  
We are certain that you will provide, so that,  
as you did at Cana of Galilee,  
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.



Help us, Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform ourselves to the Father's will  
and to do what Jesus tells us:  
He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.  
We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.  
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

WE ALL NEED A LITTLE HUMOR

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