

St. Bartholomew Catholic Church

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Mission Statement of St. Bartholomew

To be a living Catholic Christian community that follows the way of Jesus as mapped out in the Gospel, focusing on internal and external growth, and emphasizing everyone's responsibility to God, Church, and our community.

Weekend Masses:

Daily Masses:

Holy Day Masses:

Confessions:

Baptism and Marriage Preparations:

RCIA (convert classes):

Director of Religious Education:

Youth Director:

Meetings

CCD Classes (during school year):

Church Secretary:

Ladies Meetings:

Prayer Line:

Bereavement Committee:

Hospitality Committee: (Refreshments Sept. – May)

Parish Hall Rental Information

Parish Council:

Members: Richard Krauss '11, Chairman; Ashleigh Bailey '12; Barbara Carter '10; Paulette Corban '11;

Yvonne Gruber '10; Dennis Kaiser '12; Jim Spencer '12; David Worsley '10; and Laurie Young '12.

Ex-officio: Financial Chairman, Ladies Society President, Church Secretary, and Fr. Howard.

Saturday 6:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Mon. ~ Sat. 6:45 a.m.

7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (with exceptions)

Saturday 5:00 p.m.; anytime upon request

Please call Fr. Howard for arrangements

Please call Deacon Kenny Kaiser 987-1503

Gabriella (Van) Danley 987-5020

Sarah Kaiser 989-7209 (H) 850-501-3025 (Cell)

Wed. 6:00 – 7:00 (6-8 Gr) 7:15 – 8:15 (9-12 Gr)

Sundays between Masses

Margaret Peterson 987-5251 (H) 752-5250 (Cell)

2nd Sunday between Masses (no summer meetings)

Alma Doege, President 986-5201

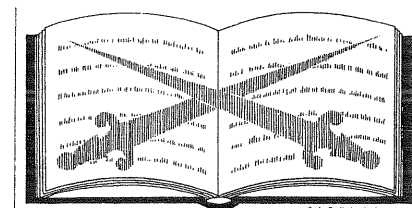
Joyce Horak 986-5248 for prayers

Margaret Klein 986-5256 to help/ask for a meal

Alma Doege 986-5201

Call Paulette (or Dennis) Corban 986-5865

Second Monday of Month 7:00 p.m.



Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 11, 2009

The word of God is living and effective,
sharper than any two-edged sword.

— Hebrews 4:12a

WORDS OF WISDOM

The spirit of wisdom, as we discover in today's first reading, comes to those who pray for her. Wisdom, like the word of God, carries a message of consolation as well as of great challenge. The Letter to the Hebrews tells us that the word of God, infused with the wisdom of God, is "sharper than any two-edged sword." We cannot shrink from the wisdom of God, or from the word that has the power to penetrate our hearts and minds. Jesus, the living word of God, the embodiment of wisdom, has strong, deeply penetrating words for the rich young man who comes to him seeking answers to his most profound questions. Just when the young man thought he had done enough to fulfill God's commands, more was asked of him. This is no less true for us.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. All good things together came to me in her company (Wis. 7:7-11).

Psalm — Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — Indeed the word of God is living and effective (Hebrews 4:12-13).

Gospel — It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God (Mark 10:17-30 [17-27]).

ADULT EDUCATION ON THURSDAY EVENINGS AT 6:30 P.M.

| <u>DATE/TIME</u> | <u>SERVERS</u> | <u>LECTORS</u> | <u>USHERS</u> | <u>BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES</u> | |
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| 10/10 6:00 p.m. | A. Odee C. Fell | Betty Wood | Nick Frank Tom Feely | Glen Kaiser Tom Krehling Ryan Wood Diane Pate Nita Kaiser Paulette Corban | B – 11th B – 11th B – 11th B – 12th B – 13th B – 15th |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | | Sherry Frank, Shirley Helms, & Betty Wood | | | |
| 10/11 8:00 a.m. | T. Worsley J. Worsley N. Weeks | Paulette Corban | Eddie Frank David Worsley | | |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | | Bill Specht, Jim Horak, & Bill Byerley | Mike & Ann Bacher | | A – 9th |
| 10/11 10:30 a.m. | T. Chandler C. Schaff M. Kaiser | Glen Kaiser | H. Schneider Billy Schneider | Dick & Gerry Fischlein | A – 12th |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | | Nancy Lami, Olivia Marquez, & Margaret Peterson | | | |

MASS INTENTIONS: October 10 – October 18

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| 6:45 a.m. – Saturday, October 10 | | +P. Ermin Bell, O.S.B. | | |
| 6:00 p.m. – Saturday, October 10 | | + Laurie Barbara Smith | | Her Parents |
| 8:00 a.m. – Sunday, October 11 | | Pro Populo | | |
| 10:30 a.m. – Sunday, October 11 | | + Gene Morris | | Family |
| 6:45 a.m. – Monday, October 12 | | Thanks to St. Anthony | | Betty Hager |
| 6:45 a.m. – Tuesday, October 13 | | + Mary Higgins | | D. Kephart |
| 6:45 a.m. – Wednesday, October 14 | | + Mike Fischlein | | Friends |
| 6:45 a.m. – Thursday, October 15 | | + Jack Grussel | | Gerry Grussel |
| 6:45 a.m. – Friday, October 16 | | + Sophie Hagendorfer | | Teresa Papa |
| 8:15 a.m. – Friday, October 16 | | Children's Mass | | |
| 6:45 a.m. – Saturday, October 17 | | +P. Odo, O.S.B. | | |
| 6:00 p.m. – Saturday, October 17 | | + Teresa Pedraza | | Sharon Gardner |
| 8:00 a.m. – Sunday, October 18 | | + Mike Kaiser | | Family |
| 10:30 a.m. – Sunday, October 18 | | Pro Populo | | |

IN YOUR CHARITY—Please remember these people in your prayers: Roger Kaiser; Claudia Adam; Alice Burkhardt; Alby Gruber; Jeanette Hinson; Evelyn Kichler; Joyce Langston; Karen Linton; Mary O'Neal; Jack Sheehy; Teresa Sheehy; Anita Warriner; and also Enid Bingert; Ima Ree Carter; Audrey and Walter Cummings; Steve Dancsec; Elaine Dasczucuk; Guiliana Fell; Ruby Frank; Sharon Frank; Ann Forbes; David Forbes; Pam Gardner; Olive Keller; Karen Krauss; Jay Metz; Edward Miller; David & Mary Morgan; William Morris; Mary O'Donnell; Rosemary Parker; Libby O'Pry; Craig Pollack; Carolyn Rohe; Joe Salzmann; Phillip Schaumburg; Joan Simpkins; Frank Shellem; Vera Stevens; Glenda Stone; Velma Viscuso; and Bootsie Williams.

Please pray for our recently deceased brothers and sisters: Cecelia Bornholt, Ruben Cruz, Joyce Dusablon, Ron Dusablon, John Feely, Rosemary Fiocca, Betty Flirt, Denise Fulkersin, Richard Gaupp, Jack Grussel, Mary Helms, Bill Henry; Mary Higgins; Carolyn Ignots, John Ignots, Charlotte Jones, Lois Jones, Mike Kaiser, Delia Kane; Willie Keldorfer, Anna Laube, Gene Morris, Dabney O'Pry, Donna Parker, Mark Riley, and Cecelia Walacavage.

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| 10/17 6:00 p.m. | C. Maraman C. Fell A. Odee | Betty Wood | J. Burkhardt D. Burkhardt | Don Hiebl & Jack Kaechele Fernando Villa, Jr. Carolyn Hertel & Morgan Root Libby O'Pry & Anne Falzone Odee | B – 16th B – 16th B – 17th B – 18th |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | | Shirley Helms, Jim Horak & Alma Doege | | | |
| 10/18 8:00 a.m. | A. Muth C. Muth Tucker Bailey | Nita Kaiser | Jack Danley Dick Fischlein | | |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | | D. Wallace, M. Morgan & Nita Kaiser | Carson & Eve Williams | | A – 18th |
| 10/18 10:30 a.m. | N. Spencer E. Kaiser E. Taylor | Olivia Marquez | Sam Carter Eric Carter | Richard & Phyllis Soucier James & Meredith Akins Darryl & Angelia Pedraza Jimmy & Diane Pate | A – 19th A – 21st A – 21st A – 22nd |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | | G. Kaiser, N. Saucier, & J. Spencer | Terry & Laura Platt | | A – 22nd |

THE OCTOBER MINISTRY SCHEDULE IS AVAILABLE IN THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, October 4, 2009

83 Stewardship Envelopes: \$2,426.50

Loose: \$237.50

57 Building & Maintenance Env: \$1,265.00

Loose: \$57.00

Attendance 217

TOTAL: \$2,664.00

TOTAL: \$1,322.00

"Miracles" Collection: \$82.20 Total to Date: \$2,757.00

*** NOTICE ***

There will be a special Second Collection every week until February to support the upcoming "Miracles of the Eucharist" and Fr. Pacaw EVENT. If a Diocesan Second Collection is scheduled, then the second collection will be for that; and the third collection will be for the "Miracles" exhibit. ONLY \$1.00 per family per week is being asked! Thank you!

CALENDAR – OCTOBER 2009

Sundays

Holy Hour 5:00 p.m.

Sundays between Masses

CCD Classes

EVERY SUNDAY until February

Special Collection to support the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit

Every Family is being asked to contribute \$1.00 per week.

Wednesday Youth Group

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. (Gr 6-8) 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. (Gr. 9-12)

Sunday, October 11

Ladies Society Meeting between Masses

(See Insert for
Cantata details)

"Child Safe Environment Lesson" for all CCD children who missed the first class offered.

Monday, October 12

Cantata "A Night to Remember" at 6:30 p.m. Benefit/SBS

Thursday, October 15

Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 18

RCIA 7:00 pm

Sunday, October 25

Adult Education – *Women in Ministry* 6:30 P.M.

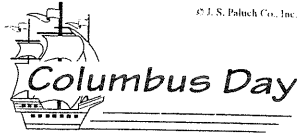
Mission Sunday – 2nd Collection for Propagation of the Faith

Priest Appreciation Day

- CCD Class on October 11 "Child Safe Environment" class for students who missed the first class. These classes are required by the Archdiocese of Mobile to protect your children. Please make sure they attend. They will meet in the Parish Hall between Masses.
- "THANKS" from Director of Religious Education Gabriella Danley to all the young people and parents that made their faith a priority this past Wednesday night. St. Bartholomew Youth Group hosted about 75 people with a supper followed by David O'Brien speaking on the topic "*Being Catholic – Why Bother?*" The group included youth from St. Benedict School, St. Bartholomew CCD and St. Margaret's Youth Group, as well as a number of parents. Will any who attended ever drink chocolate milk again without thinking of the Holy Spirit? Special THANKS to Sarah Kaiser, Connie Hughes, Andy & Christine Schaff, Tara Weeks and Deacon Kenny and Marie Kaiser for their help in the kitchen!
- ADULT EDUCATION continues on *THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 at 6:30 p.m. in Hall. Topic for the next week – *Women's Ministry in the Church*. Next Topic will be *Science and Religion*. * NOTE CHANGE OF DAY TO THURSDAY!
- RCIA CLASSES: Fall RCIA Classes meet on Mondays at 7:00 p.m.. Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church or learning more about the Faith, contact DEACON KENNY KAISER at 987-1503.
- Van Danley's Bible Study Group will be meeting on Wednesday Mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the DRE Room in the Parish Hall. The Study will be on the Gospel of Mark and will run for five more weeks. Please join her and learn more about the Bible. Everyone welcome!
- LADIES MEETING October 11 between Masses. Thank you for paying your dues!
- Annual BBQ & Bazaar – St. Robert Church – Atmore – November 6 & 7 – More info on bulletin board. Support our fellow Deanery Parish!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33; Heb 4:14-16;
Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary
Time; National Children's Day
Monday: Columbus Day
Wednesday: St. Callistus I
Thursday: St. Teresa of Jesus
Friday: St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary
Alacoque; National Boss Day
Saturday: St. Ignatius of Antioch; Sweetest Day

THE REMARKABLE SALESMAN

Christopher Columbus was the world's most remarkable salesman. He started out not knowing where he was going. When he arrived, he didn't know where he was. And when he returned, he didn't know where he had been. And he did it all on a big cash advance and he received a repeat order. —Anonymous

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

They say that it is not so much that Columbus discovered America, but rather that after he arrived, the new world "stayed discovered." The sponsorship of Ferdinand and Isabella assured that the news would flash around Europe with an air of authority that other "discoverers" lacked. One of the oft-mentioned early visitors is Saint Brendan the Navigator, a sixth-century Irish monk who had trouble staying at home. He is said to have sailed to "the Isle of the Blessed" in a leather-bound boat, and to have been away from his monastery for seven years. Upon his return, the stories of adventures to a new land attracted pilgrims to his monastery in the Blasket Islands, off the west coast of Ireland. Columbus is said to have referred to *The Voyage of Saint Brendan*, a very popular adventure in those days. Only after his American journey is Brendan said to have gone to tamer lands to the east, England and Scotland.

In 1976, Tim Severin set out on a two-year voyage to America from Ireland in a leather-bound boat, traveling in summer and hopscoching from the Faroes to Iceland to Newfoundland, and encountering along the way exactly what Saint Brendan describes: icebergs, whales, and porpoises. Scholars warn not to dismiss this too quickly: just as the ancient Egyptian monks sought to live in the desert, for the Celtic monks exile in a boat was the Irish equivalent. Five centuries after Brendan, other Irish monks may have visited here as a refuge from Viking terror.

*** SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS ***

FROM ST. BERNARD ABBEY in CULLMAN, AL:

For Parents – St. Bernard is hosting a "Men in Black" high school vocation retreat, November 13-15, 2009 for young men who believe God is calling them to the priesthood and/or religious life. It is a good time to get away from the TV, PC, I-Pod, Cell and text messaging in order to discern, listen and understand the call of Jesus.

IS THE PRIESTHOOD IN YOUR FUTURE? – St. Bernard is hosting a "Come and See" vocation retreat on October 16-18, 2009 for young adults and men who are ages 18-40 and have an interest in monastic life. "Try it out" for three days!

For either program call (800) 722-0999, ext. 7138 or go to brbenedictosb@yahoo.com for more info.

For a virtual tour of St. Bernard Abbey go to www.stbernardabbey.com.

**"Today is holy to the Lord your God. Do not be sad, and do not weep. For today is holy to the Lord, your God. Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the Lord must be your strength."
Nehemiah 8:9-11**

CONSECRATION OF OUR FAMILY: We consecrate to thee, O Jesus of love, the trials and joys and all the happiness of our family life, and we beseech Thee to pour out thy blessings on all its members, absent & present, Living and dead—and when one after the other, we have fallen asleep in thy blessed bosom, O Jesus, may all of us in Paradise find again our family united with thy Sacred Heart. Amen