

# 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:

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

### Daily Masses or Communion Service:

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

### Holy Day Masses:

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

### Baptism and Marriage Preparations:

Please call Deacon Kenny Kaiser 987-1503

### RCIA (convert classes):

Please call Deacon Kenny Kaiser 987-1503

### Director of Religious Education:

Kelly Spencer 987-1178 (H) 850-384-5047 (Cell)

### Youth Director:

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

### Meetings

Wednesdays – Call Mrs. Kaiser for time & place

### Church Secretary:

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

### Ladies Society: Meetings 2nd Sunday after Mass (no summer meetings)

Paulette Corban, President 923-9787

### Music Ministry at All Masses:

Erin Faulk, Director 978-2383

### Prayer Line:

Joyce Horak 986-5248 for prayers

### Bereavement Committee:

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

### Hospitality Committee: (Refreshments Sept. – May)

Alma Doege 986-5201

### Parish Hall Rental Information

Call Paulette Corban 923-9787

### Parish Council:

Second Monday of Month 7:00 p.m.

Members: Jim Spencer '12, Chairman; Ashleigh Bailey '12, Jim Horak '13; Dennis Kaiser '12; Bob Legere '13; Tiffany Parker '14; Daryl Weeks '13 and Laurie Young '12.

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



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 9, 2011

I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

— *Philippians 4:13*

## TODAY'S READINGS:

**First Reading** — On this mountain the LORD will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines (Isaiah 25:6-10a).

**Psalm** — I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading** — God will supply whatever you need (Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20).

**Gospel** — I have prepared my banquet, and everything is ready. Come to the feast! (Matthew 22:1-14 [1-10]).

## GOD REVEALED TO THE NATIONS

What wonderful images we have today of the reign of God! Isaiah speaks to us of a great feast—a heavenly feast—a feast of abundance with rich foods and choice wines. It is the Lord's own affair, Isaiah explains, when God will unite all nations, dry every tear, and destroy death forever. Then, too, will the entire earth rejoice in the Lord and bask in God's saving grace.

Jesus speaks of heaven in terms of a feast as well. Here, the kingdom of heaven is likened to a king's wedding feast given for his son. This is a feast of abundance also, with the fattened cattle prepared just so. But many of the people invited don't want to come, so the king invites anyone who would honor his son by their presence there. And Paul tells us that whether we live abundantly or in humble circumstances, we can do all things in the Lord who strengthens us.

**Fr. Ronald, welcome to Elberta and St. Bartholomew's!**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: A Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.**

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**Address for Fr. Howard:**

**Rev. Howard R. Moussier, O.S.B.  
1600 St. Bernard Drive SE, Cullman, AL 35055**

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**CALENDAR OCTOBER 2011**

See below for Choir Practice Schedules

Wednesdays – Youth meetings

Sunday, October 9 Ladies meeting between Masses

Sunday, October 16 YOUTH MASS at 10:30 a.m.

Monday October 17 Parish Council meeting – 7:00 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP**

Stewardship – October 2, 2011

78 Weekly Envelopes: \$2,749.00

46 Building & Maint. Env: \$1,137.00

Loose: \$181.00

Loose: \$113.00

Attendance: 250

Total: \$2,930.00

Total: \$1,250.00

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**CHOIR PRACTICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Mark your Calendars!**

**To Sing is to Pray Twice!**

**Weekly Schedule:**

10:30 Mass Choir

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

8:00 Mass Choir

Thursday at 4:00 p.m.

Youth Choir

Thursday at 5:00 p.m.

Midnight Mass practice begins on Wednesday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m.

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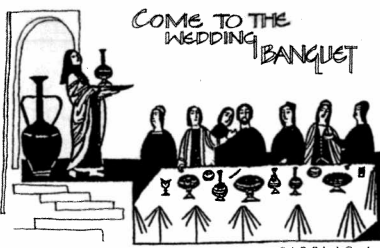
**Catholic Social Services Christmas Sharing Program - WHAT do WE do for Christmas?**

Each year we provide assistance to families in need. Toys and gifts are provided for children up to 16 years of age. A food basket is given to each family. **What can you do? You can volunteer** to help us register families for Gifts and food, as well as pack, sort and distribute toys.

Please come to **Volunteer Training** on Wednesday, October 12 at 11:00 am at St. Patrick's Center. A light lunch will be served. Make Christmas more meaningful by helping others. We are glad there is a "U" in our Volunteers! God bless and thank you!

Call Peggy Peterson at 947-3876 for more information

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<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>SERVERS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	<u>BIRTHDAYS &amp; ANNIVERSARIES</u>
10/08 6:00 p.m.	K. Kurtts E. Kurtts J. Kurtts	Jan Peacock	Nick Frank Tom Feely	Sarah Kaiser B - 8th Glen Kaiser B - 11th Tom Krehling B - 11th Ryan Wood B - 11th
Extraordinary Ministers:		Shirley Helms, & Betty Wood		
10/09 8:00 a.m.	M. Frank S. Welch N. Weeks	Paulette Corban	J. Danley D. Fischlein	Diane Pate B - 12th Nita Kaiser B - 13th
Extraordinary Ministers:		Nita Kaiser & Bill Specht		
10/09 10:30 a.m.	T. Chandler E. Kaiser M. Kaiser	Glen Kaiser	H. Schneider R. Krauss	Mike & Ann Bacher A - 9th Dick & Gerry Fischlein A - 12th
Extraordinary Ministers:		Olivia Marquez & Andy Schaff		

**MASS INTENTIONS – October 8 – October 16**

*Requested by:*

6:45 a.m. – Saturday, Oct 08				
6:00 p.m. – Saturday, Oct 08		Welfare of Fr. Howard		
8:00 a.m. – Sunday, Oct 09		Pro Populo		
10:30 a.m. – Sunday, Oct 09				
6:45 a.m. – Monday Oct 10				
6:45 a.m. – Tuesday, Oct 11		Mass		
6:45 a.m. – Wednesday, Oct 12		Mass		
6:45 a.m. – Thursday, Oct 13		Mass		
6:45 a.m. – Friday, Oct 14		Mass		
6:45 a.m. – Saturday, Oct 15		Mass		
6:00 p.m. – Saturday, Oct 15		Mass		
8:00 a.m. – Sunday, Oct 16		++ Don Parker and Deborah Corey Specht	Bill & Pat Specht	
10:30 a.m. – Sunday, Oct 16				

**IN YOUR CHARITY—Please remember these people in your prayers: Claudia Adam, Alice Burkhardt, Butch Gruber, Loren Ives, Roger Kaiser, Carol Klein, Joyce Langston, Fred Leiterman, Joe Martino, Mary Morgan, Fr. Howard, and also:**

Barbara Carter, Ima Ree Carter, Audrey and Walter Cummings, Olive Keller, William Morris, Mary O'Donnell, Charles Peterson, Libby O'Pry; Carolyn Rohe; Joe Salzman, Phillip Schaumburg, Joan Simpkins, Frank Shellem, Velma Viscuso, and Bootsie Williams.

**Please pray** for our recently deceased brothers and sisters: Samuel Carter, Sr., Dennis Corban, Kenny Feely, Giuliana Fell, Buddy Fodor, Adam Frank, Ruby Frank, Alby Gruber; Ron Hager, Fr. Ernie Hyndman, Helen Kaiser, Evelyn Kichler, Karen Linton; Gene Morris, Eugene Plachta, Emily Saulters, Pauline Salzman, Jack Sheehy, Teresa Sheehy, Vera Stevens, Anita Warriner, and Carson Williams.

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10/15 6:00 p.m.	Eliz. Frank A. Odee	Betty Wood	J. Burkhardt D. Burkhardt	Paulette Corban B - 15th Jack Kaechele B - 16th Fernando Villa, Jr. B - 16th Carolyn Hertel & Morgan Root B - 17th
Extraordinary Ministers:		Shirley Helms & Alma Doege		
10/16 8:00 a.m.	A. Muth C. Muth J. Akins	Nita Kaiser	Jack Danley Dick Fischlein	Michael Saulters B - 17th Libby O'Pry & Anne Falzone Odee B - 18th Richard & Phyllis Soucier A - 19th James & Meredith Akins A - 21st Darryl & Angelia Pedraza A - 21st
Extraordinary Ministers:		Bill Specht & Marie Kaiser		
<b>YOUTH MASS:</b>				
10/16 10:30 a.m.	Youth Mass –	Ministries will be assigned by Youth leader & Choir Director. Thank you for participating!		
Extraordinary Ministers:		A. Schaff, & J. Spencer		

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time; National Children's Day
- Monday: Canadian Thanksgiving Day; Columbus Day
- Thursday: Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) begins at sunset
- Friday: St. Callistus I
- Saturday: St. Teresa of Jesus



**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 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

**FEAST OF FAITH      Agnus Dei**

After the sign of peace, the priest breaks the host into pieces, and prepares the patens or plates of hosts for the assembly. In the early church, "the breaking of the bread" was the name given to the entire Eucharistic liturgy, so central was this action to the meaning of the Christian life. For just as the one bread is broken and given to many people, the many are made one in receiving it.

During this ritual action, we sing an ancient litany, calling on Jesus as the "Lamb of God"—the words used by John the Baptist when he pointed to Jesus walking beside the Jordan River (John 1:29, 36). In calling Jesus "the Lamb of God," John was already pointing to the death that Jesus would die: in giving his life, Jesus would become the Paschal Lamb of the new covenant. During the Mass, when we call on the Lamb of God, we call to mind his self-sacrificing love, his blood poured out for us, and we ask this compassionate Lord for mercy and peace.

**PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY**



Saturday, October 15, 2011  
12:00 noon

Grounds of Daphne City Hall  
On Main Street

Commemorating the miracle of the sun at  
Fatima on October 13, 1917

Fr. Frederick Boni will be guest speaker

**Join the Priests Burse Club!**

**Send in Ladies Dues!**

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**YOU'RE INVITED!!!**

**See shaded column!**

The Fortieth Annual Lawn Party of the Little Sisters of the Poor is scheduled for Sunday, October 16 from 10:30 am 'til 4:30 pm on the grounds of Sacred Heart residence in midtown Mobile. This family-friendly event is a wonderful tradition in the Archdiocese with an incredible candy & bake sale, great food, raffles, Kid's World, games for all ages, and free entertainment. All proceeds assist the Sisters in caring for the elderly poor. The Sisters would be grateful for your contribution of homemade candies for the Candy Booth. Donations can be dropped off at the front entrance of Sacred Heart Residence the week of October 9, 2011. Donations of children's toys, restaurant gift certificates, and other items for the Prize Booths!