

# 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

### Church Secretary:

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

### Music Ministry at All Masses:

### Prayer Line:

### Bereavement Committee:

Hospitality Committee: (Refreshments Sept. – May)

### Parish Hall Rental Information

### Parish Council:

Members: Jim Spencer '12, Chairman; Ashleigh Bailey '12, Jim Horak '13; Dennis Kaiser '12; Bob Legere '13; Tim Lopez '14; Tiffany Parker '14; Daryl Weeks '13 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 & 10:00 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  
Kelly Spencer 987-1178 (H) 850-384-5047 (Cell)  
Sarah Kaiser 989-7209 (H) 850-501-3025 (Cell)  
Wednesdays – Call Mrs. Kaiser for time & place  
Margaret Peterson 987-5251 (H) 752-5250 (Cell)  
Arlene Saucier, President 987-5330  
Erin Faulk, Director 978-2383  
Joyce Horak 986-5248 for prayers  
Margaret Klein 986-5256 to help/ask for a meal  
Alma Doege 986-5201  
Call Paulette Corban 923-9787 (note new number)  
Second Monday of Month 7:00 p.m.



The kingdom  
of heaven  
is like  
a treasure  
buried in  
a field

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 24, 2011

All things work for good for those who love God.

— Romans 8:28a

## TODAY'S READINGS:

**First Reading** — Solomon prays for an understanding heart (1 Kings 3:5, 7-12).

**Psalm** — Lord, I love your commands (Psalm 119).

**Second Reading** — All things work for good for those who love God (Romans 8:28-30).

**Gospel** — The one who knows of the kingdom of heaven brings new and old from the storeroom (Matthew 13:44-52 [44-46]).

## A SHARE IN GOD'S KINGDOM

Today concludes a three-week series of Gospel texts in which we have listened to a total of seven parables about the kingdom. The believer is asked to consider the request that God made of Solomon in today's first reading: "Ask something of me and I will give it to you" (1 Kings 3:5). Today's parables about the treasure buried in the field and the pearl of great price should prompt us to answer, "A share in your kingdom, O God!" Today we discover that the kingdom of God is beyond value, a priceless treasure. Unfortunately, our culture bombards us with things that it believes are priceless treasures—the bigger and better SUVs, anti-aging and anti-balding creams and salves, miracle diets, and so much more. Having a share in God's kingdom and helping to bring about that kingdom are the greatest treasures that we can ever hope to gain.

CALENDAR FOR JULY 2011

Wednesdays Youth Choir Practice continues at 5:30 p.m.  
Saturday, July 23 Saturday Night Special at 7:30  
Sunday, July 31 Fifth Sunday Collection in support of St. Benedict School  
NOTE: Those of you who are sent envelopes in the mail, please take the August 28 (Support of Parish School) envelope and use it on July 31, (the fifth Sunday this quarter). Mistake by Envelope Company!

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship – July 17, 2011 Attendance: 251  
81 Weekly Envelopes: \$2,559.00 Loose: \$198.00 Total: \$2,757.00

\*\*\* Please see NOTE above in Calendar Section about Fifth Sunday Envelopes. Thank you! \*\*\*

OOPS!!! The Fish Fry profit of \$6,920.00 paid to the K of C and St. Benedict School was inadvertently omitted from our EXPENSE column in the 7/10 Financial Statement. Unfortunately, this means that we are in the red about \$9,751.00 for this six-month period.



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Thank you for your continuing generosity!  
May God bless you all!

For Your Information:

Teachers Needed for CCD - Share Your Faith!

Teachers are needed for CCD classes. Would you consider sharing teacher duties with someone else or teaching part-time? Please contact Kelly Spencer for more information at: Home: 987-1178 or Cell 850-384-5047

\*\*\* SPECIAL SATURDAY NIGHTS FOR OUR YOUTH \*\*\*

The Knights of Columbus and the Youth Group will be hosting Special Saturday Nights for the youth of the parish after the 6:00 p.m. Mass from 7:30 'til 9:30 p.m. at St. Benedict School Gym.

Mark your calendars for July 23 and August 13 and 27.

*Children age 10 and under need to be accompanied by an adult.*

Attend Mass on Saturday night – walk across the street to St. Benedict School Gym and join the fun! Includes basketball, volleyball, Wii Rock Band, Wii Just Dance, movie nights and guest speaker.

TOWARD HEAVEN

Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a person go to heaven. —St. Camillus de Lellis

<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>SERVERS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	<u>BIRTHDAYS &amp; ANNIVERSARIES</u>
7/23 6:00 p.m.	K. Kurtts E. Kurtts J. Kurtts	Paulette Corban	Frank Young M. Krehling	Charles Keppler B – 22nd Jimmy Jones B – 23rd Kaitlyn Kichler B – 23rd Katarina Kurtts B – 24th Mary Morgan B – 24th Andy Schaff B – 24th Ashleigh Bailey B – 25th Tucker Bailey B – 26th Julianne Horak B – 26th Betty Leiterman B – 26th Tiffany Taylor B – 27th
Extraordinary Ministers:		Alma Doege, Laurie Young & Diana Kurtts		
7/24 8:00 a.m.	J. Kaechele A. Muth C. Muth	Nita Kaiser	Jack Danley Dick Fischlein	
Extraordinary Ministers:		Bill Byerley, Bill Specht & Marie Kaiser		
7/24 10:00 a.m.	C. Schaff M. Kaiser J. Kaiser	Olivia Marquez	Richard Krauss Sam Carter	
Extraordinary Ministers:		Olivia Marquez, Glen Kaiser & M. Klingelberger		

**MASS INTENTIONS – July 23 – July 31**

*Requested by:*

6:45 a.m. – Saturday, July 23	+ P. Hugo, OSB	
6:00 p.m. – Saturday, July 23	+ Laurie Barbara Smith	Her Parents
8:00 a.m. – Sunday, July 24	+ Mark Riley	Family
10:00 a.m. – Sunday, July 24	Pro Populo	
6:45 a.m. – Monday, July 25	+ Willie Keldorfer	
6:45 a.m. – Tuesday, July 26	+ Gayle Frank	
6:45 a.m. – Wednesday, July 27	+ Lela May Oaks	
6:45 a.m. – Thursday, July 28	+ William Gotelli	Carole Gotelli
6:45 a.m. – Friday, July 29	+ Vera Stevens	Family
6:45 a.m. – Saturday, July 30	++ Deceased of St. Bernard Abbey	
6:00 p.m. – Saturday, July 30	+ Laurie Barbara Smith	Her Parents
8:00 a.m. – Sunday, July 31	+ Ruby Frank	Family
10:00 a.m. – Sunday, July 31	Pro Populo	

**IN YOUR CHARITY—Please remember these people in your prayers: Claudia Adam, Alice Burkhardt, Butch Gruber, Roger Kaiser, Joyce Langston, Fred Leiterman, Joe Martino, Mary Morgan, Rhonda Willis, and also: Barbara Carter, Ima Ree Carter, Audrey and Walter Cummings, Eileen Hinrichsen, Olive Keller, William Morris, Mary O'Donnell, Charles Peterson, Libby O'Pry; Carolyn Rohe; Joe Salzmann, Phillip Schaumburg, Joan Simpkins, Frank Shellem, Velma Viscuso, and Bootsie Williams.**

**Please pray for the rapid recovery of Fr. Howard, Archbishop Lipscomb, Jim Horak and Jim Spencer.**

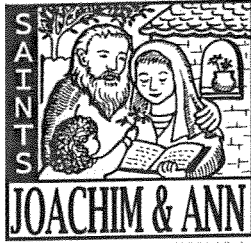
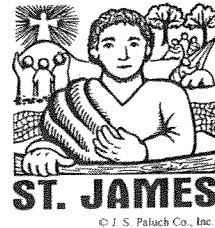
**Please pray for our recently deceased brothers and sisters: Samuel Carter, Sr., Dennis Corban, Kenny Feely, Giuliana Fell, Buddy Fodor, Adam Frank, Ruby Frank, Alby Gruber; Ron Hager, Helen Kaiser, Evelyn Kichler, Karen Linton; Gene Morris, Eugene Plachta, Emily Saulters, Pauline Salzmann, Jack Sheehy,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

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7/30 6:00 p.m.	A. Odee S. Young C. Maraman	Betty Wood	J. Burkhardt D. Burkhardt	Margaret Klein B – 30th Guadalupe Villa B – 30th Campbell Bailey B – 1st Nick Frank B – 1st
Extraordinary Ministers:		Shirley Helms Betty Wood & L. Young		
7/31 8:00 a.m.	C. Kaechele S. Welch N. Weeks	Mickey Kaiser	C. Gruber G. Bloch	Angie Kaiser B – 1st David Morgan B – 2nd Richard Smith B – 3rd
Extraordinary Ministers:		Debbie Wallace, Nita Kaiser & Bill Byerley		
7/31 10:00 a.m.	E. Kaiser M. Kaiser T. Chandler	Jim Krauss	R. Krauss S. Carter	
Extraordinary Ministers:		Glen Kaiser, Mary Klingelberger & Margaret Peterson		

**ONLY ONE** God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.—St. Augustine

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. James  
Tuesday: Ss. Joachim and Anne  
Friday: St. Martha  
Saturday: St. Peter Chrysologus;  
Blessed Virgin Mary



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28  
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43  
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46  
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53  
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;  
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42  
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12  
Sunday: Is 55:1-3; Ps 145; Rom 8:35, 37-39;  
Mt 14:13-21

## FEAST OF FAITH The Preface Dialogue

“Lift up your hearts.” “We lift them up to the Lord.” “Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.” “It is right to give him thanks and praise.” With this ancient dialogue we enter the Eucharistic Prayer, the heart of the Mass. These venerable words have been part of the Christian liturgy almost from the beginning—by the time of Hippolytus of Rome (c. 215) they were already fixed in the liturgy.

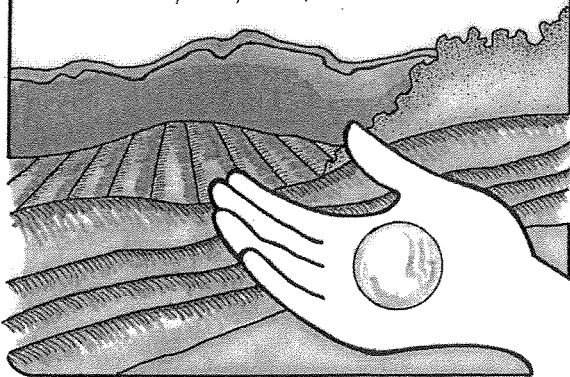
Several times during the Mass the priest has invited us to pray. There is something different here. We are invited to be “lifted up,” to ascend, to climb the Lord’s mountain, as it were, to go to a new place for this most solemn part of the Mass. And we are invited to a new frame of mind, a sense of joy, of focused dedication: our hearts must not be cast down, but lifted up, and lifted to the Lord. Why? Because we are going to give thanks—we are going to “eucharist!” It is right and just that we do this.

“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

*The kingdom of heaven is like  
a merchant searching  
for fine pearls*



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## 6th Annual Golf Tournament To Benefit MARY'S SHELTER

Friday, August 26, 2011

Craft Farms

\$125.00/person

Includes 4-Person Scramble  
Round of Golf with Cart and Lunch

Range Balls, Putting Contest,  
Mulligans, Prizes

Hole-in-One Contest

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