

# 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) Arlene Saucier, President 987-5330

### 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; 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)

Erin Faulk, Director 978-2383

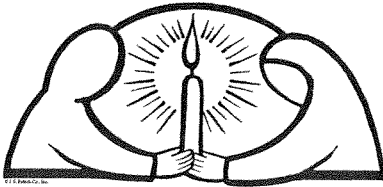
Joyce Horak 986-5248 for prayers

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.



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 4, 2011

“If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.”

— Matthew 18:19

## IMPORTANT PARISH NOTICES!

- ✓ First Day of CCD Classes is Sunday, September 11. Mandatory meeting for EVERYONE (parents and children) in the parish hall after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.
- ✓ If you need to register your child for CCD Classes, please contact Kelly Spencer at one of the following numbers: 987-1178 or 850-384-5047.
- ✓ The late Mass on Sunday will change to 10:30 on Sunday, September 11, 2011.
- ✓ Child Safe Class—required during CCD—will be held on September 18.

Please take home a bulletin for future reference!

**TODAY'S READINGS:**

**First Reading** — Warn the wicked, trying to turn them from their ways (Ezekiel 33:7-9).

**Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (Romans 13:8-10).

**Gospel** — If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (Matthew 18:15-20).

**A MESSAGE OF LOVE**

In the final verses of today's Gospel reading Jesus says that when two or three are gathered in his name, "there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20). So we understand that fraternal correction is always undertaken with Jesus present to us.

Likewise, encouraging the good in others is not only the right thing for us to do, it is a necessity. The Lord tells the prophet Ezekiel that if he "does not speak out" to dissuade a person from evil, then he, too, will be held responsible.

We live in a "do your own thing" age when moral objectivity is often ignored. Clearly when the message we share with others is one of love, our motives cannot ever be misinterpreted. As St. Paul writes, "Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law" (Romans 13:10).

**CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2011**

**Wednesdays**

**Sunday, September 4**

**Sunday, September 11**

**Sunday, September 18**

**Youth Choir Practice continues at 5:30 p.m. 10:30 Choir at 7:00 p.m.**

**Second Collection for Building & Maintenance Fund**

**9:15 a.m. - First Day of CCD Classes – All children AND parents meet in Parish Hall.**

**LADIES MEETINGS resume between Masses in Conference Room.**

**CCD Child Safe Class during regular CCD Class – required for all CCD students**

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Stewardship – August 28, 2011**

**75 Weekly Envelopes: \$2,320.00**

**11 School Support Envelopes: \$275.00**

**Loose: \$191.50**

**Loose: \$ 25.00**

**Attendance: 235**

**Total: \$2,511.00**

**Total: \$300.00**

**Catechist Celebration Days**

**Catechist Celebration Days is Saturday, September 24, 2011 at McGill-Toolen High School in Mobile.**

**All catechists need to make an effort to attend. There will be prizes and exhibits, Liturgy Commissioning and awards. *Wellspring of Faith* courses, lunch with the Archbishop and more . . .**

**CCD Teachers -- Mark Your Calendars!**

**GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP – 2012**

**Please see the flyer posted in the vestibule about next year's mission trip to Antigua, Guatemala.**

**For a copy of the flyer or more information, contact Bill Specht at 979-5705**

**Baldwin Deanery ACCW will hold its meeting and luncheon on Wednesday, September 14 at Saint Margaret's Church in Foley. Meeting at 9:15 am, Mass at 11:00 and Lunch at The Gift Horse at 12:00. Danny DiSilva of Archangel Radio will be the speaker at the luncheon.**

**Call Margaret Peterson at 752-5250 for luncheon reservations by Sunday September 11.**

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

**Please join us at the "Cast the Vision" Dinner at the original Oyster House, 3733 Battleship Parkway, on Thursday, September 8, 2011, 6:30 -8:00 p.m. Ty Bullard, a guest speaker with Mobile Men's Outback, will give his testimony, a great LIFE story he shares. Come and learn how to help end abortion in this area. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks served; dinner menu available.**

**For reservations and/or more info, call Mae Rehm 251-554-2032 by Tuesday, September 7.**

**Prayers, please for a speedy recovery for Father Howard!**

| <u>DATE/TIME</u>                | <u>SERVERS</u>                          | <u>LECTORS</u>                | <u>USHERS</u>                      | <u>BIRTHDAYS &amp; ANNIVERSARIES</u>  |
|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 9/03 6:00 p.m.                  | A. Odee<br>J. Akins<br>C. Fell          | Jan Peacock                   | J. Burkhardt<br>D. Burkhardt       | Brantly Frank<br>Arne Hansen<br>Jim Horak<br>Tiffany Parker<br>Tracy Krauss<br>Jimmy Pate |
| <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> |   | Betty Wood, & Shirley Helms   |                                    | B – 3rd<br>B – 3rd<br>B – 4th<br>B – 5th<br>B – 7th<br>B – 9th                            |
| 9/04 8:00 a.m.                  | J. Kaechele<br>C. Kaechele<br>B. Bailey | Nita Kaiser                   | Jack Danley<br>Dick Fischlein      |   |
| <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> |   | Kathy Sanchez & Marie Kaiser  |                                    |   |
| 9/04 10:00 a.m.                 | N. Spencer<br>N. Spencer<br>E. Taylor   | Jim Krauss                    | Harold Schneider<br>Richard Krauss |   |
| <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> |   | Jim Spencer & Natalie Saucier |                                    |   |



**MASS INTENTIONS –September 3 – September 11**

*Requested by:*

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| 6:45 a.m. – Saturday, Sep 03  | TBA   |             |
| 6:00 p.m. – Saturday, Sep 03  | + Karen Linton                                | Her Parents |
| 8:00 a.m. – Sunday, Sep 04    | Pro Populo                                    |             |
| 10:00 a.m. – Sunday, Sep 04   | For All Workers                               |             |
| 6:45 a.m. – Monday, Sep 05    | TBA   |             |
| 6:45 a.m. – Tuesday, Sep 06   | TBA   |             |
| 6:45 a.m. – Wednesday, Sep 07 | TBA   |             |
| 6:45 a.m. – Thursday, Sep 08  | TBA   |             |
| 6:45 a.m. – Friday, Sep 09    | TBA   |             |
| 6:45 a.m. – Saturday, Sep 10  | TBA   |             |
| 6:00 p.m. – Saturday, Sep 10  | + Laurie Barbara Smith                        | Her Parents |
| 8:00 a.m. – Sunday, Sep 11    | For World Peace                               |             |
| *10:30 a.m. – Sunday, Sep 11  | ++ For those who perished in the 9/11 attacks |             |
| *Note change in Mass Time     |   |             |

**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, 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 Salzmman, 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 Salzmman, Jack Sheehy, Teresa Sheehy, Vera Stevens, Anita Warriner, and Carson Williams.

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| 9/10 6:00 p.m.                  | K. Kurtts<br>J. Kurtts<br>A. Kurtts   | Betty Wood                                | Nick Frank<br>Tom Feely         | Mike Krehling<br>Nick Adam & Richard Krauss<br>Terry Kurtts & Geraldine Sawyer                   |
| <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> |                                       | Betty Wood, Diana Kurtts & Laurie Young   |                                 | B – 10th<br>B – 11th<br>B – 11th<br>B – 12th   |
| 9/11 8:00 a.m.                  | T. Worsley<br>T. Bailey<br>N. Weeks   | Paulette Corban                           | Charles Gruber<br>David Worsley | Jill Styron<br>Angela Gottler & Phyllis Soucier<br>Edward Adler & Mary Ann Schaff<br>Ken Maraman |
| <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> |                                       | Bill Specht, Marie Kaiser & Nita Kaiser   |                                 | B – 13th<br>B – 14th<br>B – 15th<br>B – 16th   |
| 9/11 10:30 a.m.                 | T. Chandler<br>C. Schaff<br>M. Kaiser | Glen Kaiser                               | Sam Carter<br>Eric Carter       | Gwen Bloch & Michele Gorman<br>Leo & Pauline Felix<br>David & Jody Worsley                       |
| <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> |                                       | Andy Schaff, Olivia Marquez & Jim Spencer |                                 | A – 13th<br>A – 15th   |

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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| Sunday:   | Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time    |
| Monday:   | Labor Day                               |
| Thursday: | The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| Friday:   | St. Peter Claver                        |
| Saturday: | Blessed Virgin Mary                     |



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday:    | Col 1:24 — 2:3; Lk 6:6-11                          |
| Tuesday:   | Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19                             |
| Wednesday: | Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26                             |
| Thursday:  | Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23] |
| Friday:    | 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42                      |
| Saturday:  | 1 Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49                           |
| Sunday:    | Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35  |

## FEAST OF FAITH

## Remembering

When Jesus broke the bread on the night before he died, he told his disciples, “do this in memory of me” (Luke 22:19). Christians have been faithful to that solemn command. Our eucharistic remembering is not nostalgia, nor is it merely historical, recalling events and facts of long ago. In the liturgy, remembering is action. “Do this,” Jesus said. In the Eucharist, we remember by doing. And as we remember, the sacrifice of Jesus is renewed, truly made present, no longer then, but now.

After the consecration, each of the Eucharistic Prayers includes a section called the *anamnesis*, a Greek word that means “remembering.” In this part of the prayer, “the Church, fulfilling the command that she received from Christ the Lord through the Apostles, keeps the memorial of Christ, recalling especially his blessed Passion, glorious Resurrection, and Ascension into heaven” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 79e). We pause and call to mind the whole paschal mystery, Christ’s dying and rising. “We celebrate the memory of his death and resurrection” (*Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation II*). Obeying Christ’s command, we remember.

“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

Parishioner, Gerry Grussel, who lives at Live Oak Assisted Living needs a ride for the 10:00/10:30 Mass on Sunday. If you can help, call her son, Richard, in Chicago at 773-478-2682. This would be a wonderful act of kindness and generosity.

The month of September is Food Pantry Month for St. Bartholomew Parish and St. Benedict School. Please bring non-perishable foods and leave in the baskets in the vestibule.

Special needs are:

Tuna, Canned Meat, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Soup, Canned Tomatoes, Canned Beans, Chili, Beef Stew, Boxes of Grits/Oatmeal, and Breakfast Cereal. Please be generous in this time of economic uncertainty.