

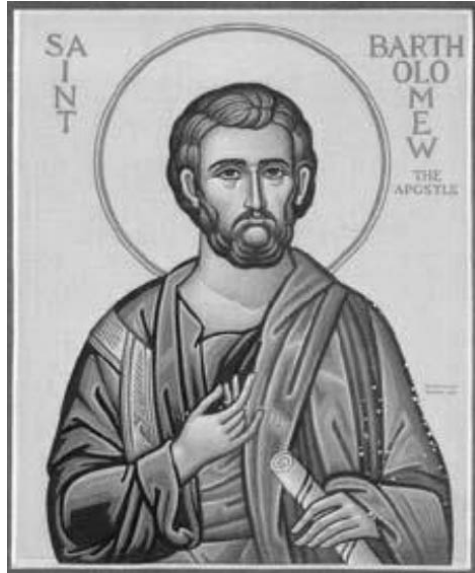
# Saint Bartholomew Parish

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## OFFICE HOURS:

Closed on Mondays  
Tuesday – Friday 9am-5pm  
Office closed for lunch 12:30pm-1:30pm  
Weekends: Saturday: 4:30pm-6:30pm,  
Sunday: 10:15am-2:30pm

## SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00pm  
Sunday 9:30am, 11:15am, 1:00pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 8:30am  
Saturday 9:00am

## CONFESSION

Saturday 4pm-4:45pm or by appointment

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK/SHUT-IN

Call parish office for appointment

## PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Bartholomew 416-393-5334  
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## PARISH REGISTRATION

If you attend the Mass here, register at the church office and use the Sunday envelopes. Registration forms are available in the parish office and website. Please let the office know if you are moving out of the parish.

## MARRIAGE

Contact the parish priest one year in advance. Please do not book the time and place of the wedding and reception before your appointment with the priest.

## BAPTISM

**(Last Sunday of the month @2:30pm)**

Parents must be **REGISTERED PARISHIONERS** and regularly attend the Sacraments. The information package is available at the parish office.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Society:	Theresa Greasley
Catholic Women's League:	Anne Wylie ext 508
Children's Liturgy 11:15am	Carol Whittaker
Children's Liturgy 5:00pm	Margaret Thomas
Saturday Choir 5:00pm	Amy Vaz
Sunday Choir 9:30am	William Lynch
Sunday Choir 11:15am	Michael Cole/Sheilah D'Souza
Sunday Choir 1:00pm	Ashley Suva
Eucharistic Ministers Coordinator	Desiree Vical
Hospitality Coordinator	Linda Sazon
Knights of Columbus	Dennis Marcelino ext 509
Legion of Mary	Melanie Sotelo
Maturing Adult Group	Carol Whittaker
Prayer Group	Bernadette So ext 510
RCIA Coordinators	Sonia Da Costa-Spence/John Leitmann ext 511
Sacramental Preparation	Carol Whittaker ext 206
Shut-In Coordinator	Desiree Vical ext 512
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## Other Telephone Extension Numbers

The following are ANNOUNCEMENT ONLY voicemail boxes and will only provide you with information and will not accept messages.

501	Regular Mass Schedule
502	Special messages
503	Church Hours, address and email address



**First Reading: ISAIAH 55:1-11 (THE FIRST READING FROM CYCLE A, ISAIAH 42:1-4,6-7, MAY ALSO BE CHOSEN.)**

Isaiah calls upon the people to return to the Lord.

**Second Reading: 1 JOHN 5:1-9 (THE SECOND READING FROM CYCLE A, ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 10:34-38, MAY ALSO BE CHOSEN.)**

The Spirit of Truth testifies on behalf of Jesus, God's Son.

**Gospel: MARK 1:7-11**

Jesus is Baptized by John the Baptist.

### **BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING**

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In most years, this feast is celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany. When Epiphany falls on either January 7 or 8, the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the Monday after Epiphany.

In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his Baptism of repentance with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has Baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will Baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's Baptism was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for the

Christian Baptism we celebrate today, and through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received. In accepting John's Baptism, Jesus, though sinless, united Himself with all sinners.

The Baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, Jesus' Baptism was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to all who are present. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at His Baptism shows that something new is beginning through the Baptism and ministry of Jesus.

The Baptism of Jesus is considered an important manifestation of God in the person of Jesus, another epiphany. Jesus' Baptism inaugurates His mission. Mark's Gospel moves quickly from the report of Jesus' Baptism to Jesus' temptations in the desert to His ministry in Galilee after John's arrest. The end of the ministry of John the Baptist is the beginning of Jesus' ministry. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

Surprisingly, on this the last day of the Christmas season the Gospel does not tell a story from Jesus' childhood. Instead the Gospel reveals Jesus' relationship to God: the Son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. We believe that through Baptism we are also made children of God.

## **COVID-19 Update**

**We're still here for you**



Our email and phones are being monitored. E-mail remains the fastest way to connect with us. Just leave a message and we will get back to you within 24 hours. Let us continue to stay safe and pray for one another.

**If there are errors or mistakes in the bulletin we are humans too. Nobody is perfect. -FZS**

**JANUARY 10, 2021**

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**



**Mass INTENTIONS**

**Saturday JANUARY 9, 2021**  
5:00pm FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF  
ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISH COMMUNITY

**Sunday JANUARY 10, 2021**  
9:30 am, 11:15am & 1pm  
FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW  
PARISH COMMUNITY

**Monday JANUARY 11, 2021**  
WHOLE DAY PASTOR'S REST DAY

**Tuesday JANUARY 12, 2021**  
8:30 am PHILOMENA CORREA (†)

**Wednesday JANUARY 13, 2021**  
8:30 am GREGORIO BELTIJAR (†)

**BURNING THIS WEEK:**  
**SANCTUARY LAMPS:**  
FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW  
PARISHIONERS

Fr. Serrano celebrates the Holy Mass daily in private. If you wish to offer a Mass Intention just email us. Donation will be appreciated.

**PLEASE NOTE**

**FOR PICK-UP IN THE OFFICE:**

- 2021 Donation envelope.
- 2020 Tax Receipt is available for pick-up 1<sup>st</sup> week of February 2021.

*Please book for an appointment by calling ext 206 or email (st.barts@bellnet.ca). Available slots are from Tuesday to Friday 9am to 12 noon.*

**ONLINE GIVING**

TITHES & OFFERINGS

More and more of our people are giving online these days. For many, this has been a helpful way to schedule automatic giving and be more consistent. I encourage you to set up regular online scheduled giving through the office. Forms are also available in the website (stbartholomewssc.archtoronto.org)

Thank you for the privilege of your generosity and support

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