

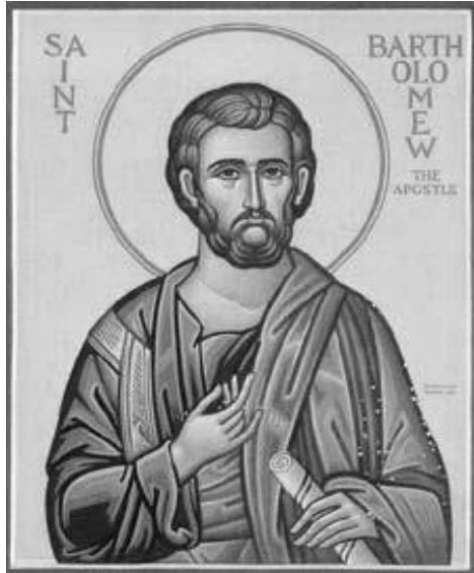
# Saint Bartholomew Parish

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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

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

**First Reading: JONAH 3:1-5,10**

God spared the people of Nineveh because they heeded the message God sent through Jonah.

**Second Reading: 1 CORINTHIANS 7:29-31**

Paul warns the Corinthians that they must act differently because the world in its present form is passing away.

**Gospel: MARK 1:14-20**

Jesus calls the fishermen, Simon and Andrew, James and John, to be His disciples.

**BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING**

Today we begin a continuous reading of Mark's Gospel that will carry us through this segment of the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. Remember that in Cycle B of the Lectionary, most of the Gospel readings are taken from the Gospel according to Mark.

The Gospel of Mark does not begin with a narrative about Jesus' birth. Instead Mark begins by reporting on the preaching of John the Baptist. John is described as the voice in the wilderness sent to prepare the way of the Lord. Immediately after describing the work of John the Baptist, Mark reports on Jesus' Baptism and His temptation in the desert. Jesus' public ministry begins after the arrest of John the Baptist. Mark wants his readers to understand the important connection between the end of the ministry of John the Baptist and the beginning of Jesus' own ministry.

As we learn at the beginning of today's Gospel reading, Jesus preaches the Kingdom of God in continuity with the preaching of John the Baptist. Like John the Baptist, Jesus' pronouncement of the kingdom is a call to repentance. Yet Jesus' preaching

is greater than John's. Jesus begins the time of fulfillment; the Kingdom of God is already here. This will be demonstrated again and again, both in Jesus' words and in the actions that follow. Jesus' healings and forgiveness of sins are signs of the Kingdom of God that He announces in His teaching.

In contrast to last week's Gospel, in Mark's Gospel Jesus takes the initiative in calling His first disciples. As mentioned last week, it was more typical of first-century rabbinical schools for students to seek out rabbis, asking to be their disciples. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus breaks with this tradition and invites His disciples to learn from Him. Jesus is said to have first called four fishermen—Simon, Andrew, James, and John. Simon and Andrew are brothers. Jesus promises that He will make them "fishers of men." James and John are also brothers. Mark does not report Jesus' words of invitation to them, but he does report that they left their fishing immediately; their father, Zebedee, was left behind in the boat.

Mark's Gospel is told with a great sense of urgency and immediacy. Jesus is a person of action, and events occur in rapid succession. We see this in today's Gospel. Time is of the essence; the fishermen immediately put aside their livelihood to become Jesus' disciples. The Kingdom of God is here and now. The time of fulfillment is at hand. How might our lives be different if we more fully shared this sense of the immediacy of God's kingdom?



**Mass INTENTIONS**

**Saturday JANUARY 23, 2021**  
 9:00 am GREGORIO BELTIJAR (†)  
 5:00pm CARLOS L. ROCHA (†)

**Sunday JANUARY 24, 2021**  
 9:30 am FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISH COMMUNITY

11:15 am BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS FOR LUZ ALMENDARES

1:00 pm BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS FOR AVE SERRANO

**Monday JANUARY 25, 2021**  
 WHOLE DAY PASTOR'S REST DAY

**Wednesday JANUARY 27, 2021**  
 8:00 am RON MACLENNAN (†)

**Thursday JANUARY 28, 2021**  
 8:00 am RENE BERCASIO (†)

**Friday JANUARY 29, 2021**  
 8:00 am REYNALDO DE VILLON SR. (†)

**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.

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- 2021 Donation envelope.
- 2020 Tax Receipt starting 1<sup>ST</sup> WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2021.

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