

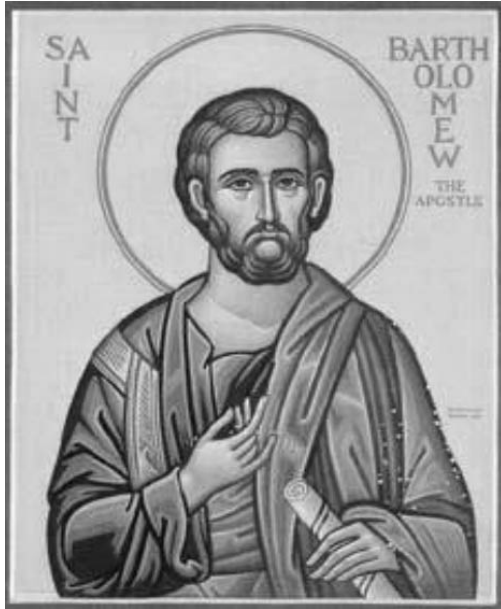
Saint Bartholomew Parish

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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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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.

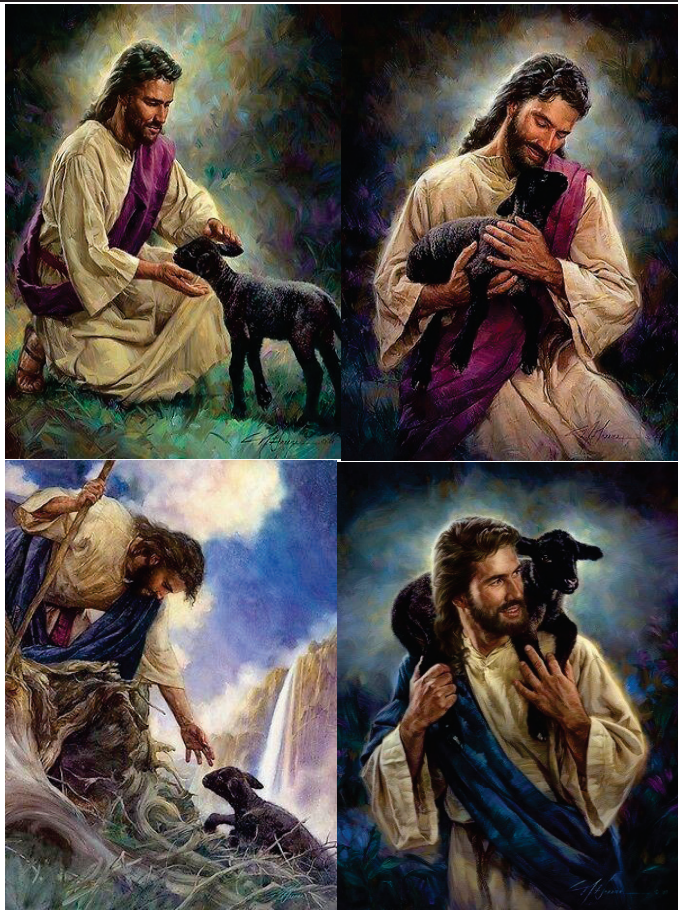
PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Society:	Rebecca Cadawas
Catholic Women's League:	Anne Wylie ext 508
Children's Liturgy 11:15am	
Children's Liturgy 5:00pm	Margaret Thomas
Saturday Choir 5:00pm	Amy Vaz
Sunday Choir 9:30am, 1:00pm	William Lynch
Sunday Choir 11:15am	Michael Cole/Sheilah D'Souza
Eucharistic Ministers Coordinator	Desiree Vical
Hospitality Coordinators	
9:30 am Tessie Malonzo	11:15 am Janrol Vinci Fajardo
1:00 pm Daryl Marcelino	5:00 pm Cecille Santiago
Knights of Columbus	Dennis Marcelino ext 509
Legion of Mary	Melanie Sotelo
Maturing Adult Group	
Out of the Cold	Daphne Smith, Joseph Duarte & Nelson Fernandes
Parish Food Bank	Michael Gomez
Prayer Group	Bernadette So ext 510
RCIA Coordinators	Sonia Da Costa-Spence/John Leitmann ext 511
Sacramental Preparation	Fr. Fernan Serrano
Shut-In Coordinator	Desiree Vical ext 512
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	Toronto Central 416-364-5577

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: Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

Peter announces an act of healing in the name of Jesus Christ.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

God revealed His love for us by calling us children of God.

Gospel: John 10:11-18

Jesus says that He is the Good Shepherd who knows His sheep.

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING:

The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. In each of the three lectionary cycles, our Gospel is taken from the 10th chapter of the Gospel of John. In Cycle B, we hear the middle verses of this chapter. Unless we consider this chapter in the greater context of John's Gospel, we will miss the radical nature of the statement Jesus makes when He declares Himself to be the Good Shepherd.

This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by the Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge by calling Himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the leadership of the Pharisees

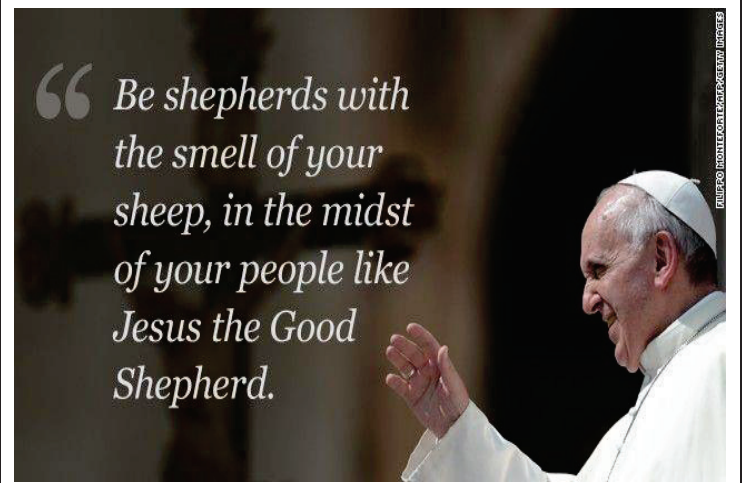
and the other Jewish leaders. The Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angry that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus (see John 10:31,39). This controversy with the religious leaders continues until Jesus' death.

In the portion of the chapter that we hear proclaimed today, Jesus describes His relationship with His followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep. As a good shepherd will risk and lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices Himself for the sake of His sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger. In the verses following Jesus' teaching, we learn that the Pharisees and the other religious leaders understand that Jesus is referring to them when He describes the hired shepherds.

The concern of a good shepherd for his sheep is part of the shepherd's job. Jesus says, however, that the actions of the good shepherd are based upon the relationship that develops between the shepherd and the sheep. This is at the heart of the difference between the good shepherd and the hired shepherd. The good shepherd knows the sheep and therefore acts out of love. For the Good Shepherd, this is never simply part of a job; this love-in-action is integral to His identity.

As with so much of John's Gospel, one hears in this passage John's particular focus on Christology. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when He lays down His life is rooted in the unity that He shares with His Father.

In this context, Jesus also refers to others with whom He shares a relationship. By this reference, John probably understands the eventual inclusion of the Gentiles in the Christian community. Our modern ears hear this as a reference to Christian unity. The work of ecumenism is to restore unity among all Christians so that we form one flock under one shepherd, as God desires.



“ *Be shepherds with the smell of your sheep, in the midst of your people like Jesus the Good Shepherd.* ”

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! PLEASE NOTE

1. For Confession you may come from Tuesday-Friday from 9:00 am till 1:00 pm. No appointment needed. Just ring the buzzer.
2. The Parish Secretary is in the office on Tuesday only.
3. You may pick-up your tax receipts from Tuesday till Friday from 9am till 1:00pm.
4. All Mass Intentions booked will be fulfilled by Fr. Fernan in his private prayers.
5. See you in May 20, 2021.

Mass INTENTIONS

Saturday **APRIL 24, 2021**
 9:00 AM EDWIN WILLIAMS (†)
 JEAN LUE (†/
 5:00pm MINDA LANDICHO (†)
Sunday **APRIL 25, 2021**
 9:30 am AIDA CRUZ (†)
 11:15 am BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS FOR
 MARY JOCELYN LAYGO
 1:00 pm FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST.
 BARTHOLOMEW PARISH COMMUNITY

Monday **APRIL 26, 2021**
 WHOLE DAY PASTOR'S REST DAY

Tuesday **APRIL 27, 2021**
 8:30 am IN MEMORY OF THE DECEASED AND
 WOUNDED VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES &
 FRIENDS IN THE TAIWAN TRAIN ACCIDENT
 LAST APRIL 2ND (†)

BURNING THIS WEEK:

SANCTUARY LAMPS:

FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

TABERNACLE CANDLES:

- CELEBRATION OF LIFE OF YVONE ECHAVEZ

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

A Prayer for Vocations


God our Father, You made each of us
 to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.

We ask that You inspire
 young people whom You call to
 the priesthood and consecrated life
 to courageously follow Your will.

Send workers into Your great harvest
 so that the Gospel is preached,
 the poor are served with love,
 the suffering are comforted,
 and Your people are strengthened
 by the sacraments.


We ask this through
 Christ our Lord.

Amen



*Prayer for the Feast of
 St. Mark, the Evangelist*
 APRIL 25

O God, who raised up St. Mark,
 your Evangelist, and endowed him
 with the grace to preach the Gospel,
 grant, we pray, that we may so profit
 from his teaching as to follow faithfully
 in the footsteps of Christ,
 who lives and reigns with you
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever.
 Amen.



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

Trust is...

knowing someone is there to catch your fall. It's knowing someone will be there when you need a shoulder to cry on. It's knowing a promise made is a promise kept. Trust is something we earn everyday.



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