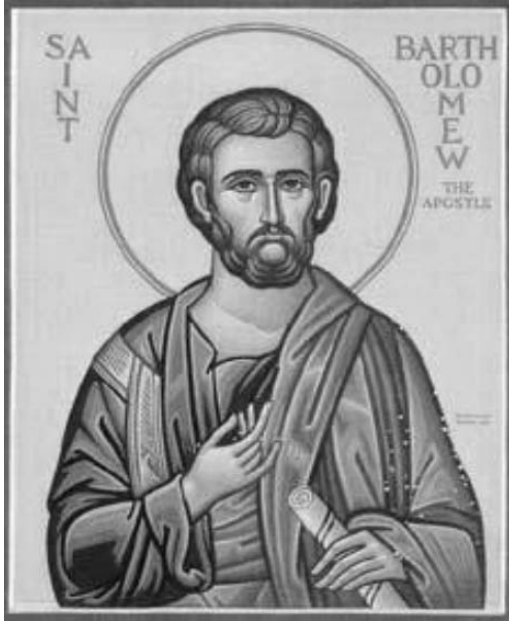


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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am-12:30pm &
1:30pm - 4:00pm
Closed for: Lunch (12:30pm-1:30pm)
Weekends & Mondays
Last appointment 3:00pm

SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

CONFESSION

15 minutes before and after each Mass or
by appointment on weekdays.

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

Call or email parish office for appointment.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Bartholomew 416-393-5334
St. Ignatius of Loyola 416-393-5365
St. Elizabeth Seton 416-393-5386

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

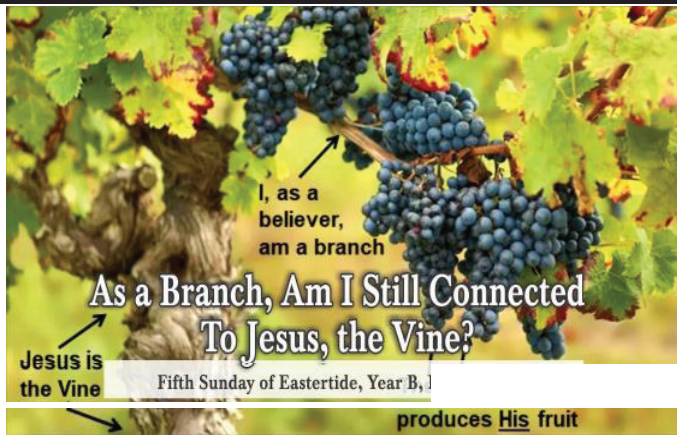
Parents must be **REGISTERED PARISHIONERS** and regularly attend the Sacraments.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

These programs normally run from September-May. Information Session takes place a week after the school opens in September (schedules are subject to changes). We only give one information session in a year. Dates are provided to the parish schools in the newsletter and also posted on our website, bulletin, bulletin boards and pastor's announcements as early as June. **PARENTS must be REGISTERED PARISHIONERS** and actively attend the Sacraments.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Society	Rebecca Cadawas
Catholic Women's League	Sheilah D'Souza ext508
Children's Liturgy	Stephanie Silverio
Choir	Amy Vaz
	William Lynch
	Michael Cole/Sheilah D'Souza
Eucharistic Minister	Desiree Viceral
Hospitality Ministers	Cecille Santiago
	Tessie Malonzo
	Janrol Vinci Fajardo
Knights of Columbus	Derek McDonald ext 509
Lectors	Flora Vaz
	Louisa Uduehi
	Shiranka Warnakulasuriya
Finance Council	Dennis Marcelino
Parish Charity Work	Daphne Smith
Parish Food Bank	Michael Gomez
RCIA Coordinator	Sonia Da Costa-Spence
Shut-in Coordinator	Desiree Viceral ext512
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	c/o Prince of Peace Parish
	call 647-234-0265
Volunteer Screening Committee	Cecille Santiago ext206



FIRST READING: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 9:26-31

Paul is accepted by the apostles at Jerusalem.

SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 3:18-24

God commands us to believe in Jesus Christ and to love one another.

GOSPEL: JOHN 15:1-8

Jesus teaches that He is the vine and that His disciples are the branches.

FAMILY CONNECTION

The goal of our life of prayer is to increase our awareness that Jesus lives with us always. Prayer is more than a dialogue with God; prayer is a lifting of our minds and hearts to God so that God might dwell and act within us and through us. The pinnacle of our life of prayer is our communion with Jesus in the Eucharist. Through this sacrament, we receive Jesus Himself, and He remains with us. Our life of prayer and our union with Jesus will lead us to fruitful service to others.

Place a plant in your gathering space. Invite everyone to look at the plant, noting the connection between the plant and its leaves. Talk about the integral connection between all the parts of a healthy plant. Introduce today's Gospel by saying that Jesus talked about His relationship to His disciples using this metaphor. Read today's Gospel, John 15:1-8. Talk about the ways in which we are invited to relate to Jesus as His disciples today—prayer, Scripture, the Eucharist, and so on. When we do these things, Jesus promises to remain with us and to lead us to serve others well. Pray together that we will continue to be attentive and open to Jesus as He works in our lives today. Pray together the Acts of Faith, Hope, and Love.

Mass INTENTIONS

Saturday 9:00 AM	APRIL 27, 2024 SALVADOR & MARTHA D'SOUZA (†)
5:00 P.M.	ORENCIO RAGASA (†)
Sunday 9:30 AM	APRIL 28, 2024 FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS
11:15 AM	SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF PRABUDA & SHIRANKA PERERA
Monday	APRIL 29, 2024
WHOLE DAY – PASTOR'S REST DAY	
Tuesday 8:30 AM	APRIL 30, 2024 HEALING OF MERCEDITHA LIBAO
Wednesday 8:30 AM	MAY 1, 2024 NUMERIANO & RUPERTA RAMONES (†)
Thursday 8:30 AM	MAY 2, 2024 SOLEDAD RICARDO (†)
Friday 8:30 AM	MAY 3, 2024 HEALING OF GABRIEL RAFAEL GUZMAN

MASS INTENTIONS

We are now accepting bookings for **2025 Mass Intentions**. Mass intentions are scheduled on a "first-come, first-serve" basis. **We don't accept reservations.** To avoid disappointments book your desired dates for your intentions now. Kindly approach our Hospitality Ministers after each Mass or drop by the office from Tuesday until Friday during office hours.

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

ShareLife

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ShareLife Sunday is April 28th.

In giving ourselves to one another we live HIS LIFE.



Thank you for supporting ShareLife!



As we continue to wait for the permits from the government for our church hall. We are receiving positive reports in the past months. I am now launching the loonie and toonie campaign. This will help cover the incurred expenses for government permits and professional services. Your prayers and financial support is needed to make this happen. You can drop off your loonie and toonie in the clear vase by St. Michael the Archangel or place your donation envelope and write fundraising for the hall. May God continually bless you and your family for sharing your blessing to your church community.

Fr. Fernan Serrano



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For further details don't hesitate to contact
Fr. Chris Cauchi @ccauchi@archtoronto.org

Year of Prayer

On January 21, 2024, Pope Francis inaugurated a Year of Prayer ahead of the [2025 Jubilee](#), calling on the faithful “to pray more fervently to prepare ourselves to live properly this grace-filled event and to experience the power of hope in God.”

[The Year of Prayer](#), the Holy Father explained, is dedicated “to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world.”



The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the **faith** you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of **charity** enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed **hope**
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity
and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, **Pilgrims of Hope**,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.



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