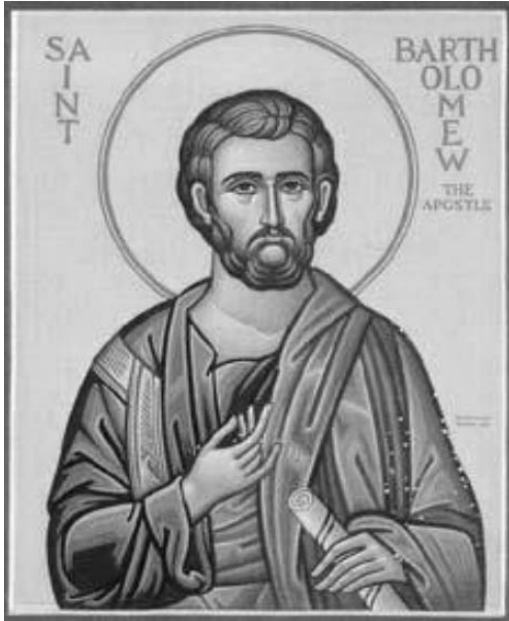


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OFFICE HOURS

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.

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Call or email 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

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	Annette MacDonald ext508
Children's Liturgy	Stephanie Silverio
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	William Lynch
	Michael Cole/Sheilah D'Souza
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Knights of Columbus	Derek McDonald ext 509
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Finance Council	Dennis Marcelino
Parish Charity Work	Daphne Smith
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul	c/o Prince of Peace Parish call 647-234-0265
Volunteer Screening Committee	Cecille Santiago ext206



FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 17:5-8

Put trust and hope in the Lord, not in human beings.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:12,16-20

Our hope for resurrection is sure because Christ has been raised from the dead.

GOSPEL: LUKE 6:17, 20-26

Jesus teaches the crowd the way to happiness.

FAMILY CONNECTION:

Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the "get ahead" messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, and having many possessions. In this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. They too associated happiness with possessions and success. The report of the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel, however, takes things one step further. Not only will we not find happiness through the "get ahead" messages of the world, but relying upon these messages will cause us harm. The warnings spoken are particularly challenging because they suggest that our way of life must change if we are to gain the lasting happiness of eternal life.

Talk together as a family about what society tells us makes a person successful. Make a list of the traits that you associate with a successful person. Then read together today's Gospel, Luke 6:17,20-26. Reflect on Jesus' description of blessedness in the Kingdom of God. Then consider the warnings. Why are these surprising and challenging? What, then, is the measure of success in the Kingdom of God? Together write prayers of petition based on your discussion. Pray these prayers together, asking God to help your family seek the blessings of the Kingdom of God.



Saturday 9:00 AM	FEBRUARY 15, 2025 - LAURO CRUZ JR. (†) - FORTUNATO ALO (†) - MIKE SPERRUZI (†) - LYDIA SALES ESPINOLA (†)
5:00PM Sunday 9:30 AM	FEBRUARY 16, 2025 MOYA & LEN FAVARETTO (†)
11:15AM Monday	FEBRUARY 17, 2025 ALBERT BOYCHUCK (†)
WHOLE DAY – PASTOR'S REST DAY	
Tuesday 8:30AM	FEBRUARY 18, 2025 MANUEL SEPONIO (†)
Wednesday 8:30AM	FEBRUARY 19, 2025 SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF TOTIE & MERCY REMENTILLA
Thursday 8:30AM	FEBRUARY 20, 2025 THANKSGIVING OF ROB & JOY STEWART
Friday 8:30 AM	FEBRUARY 21, 2025 IRENEO NERY (†)

BURNING THIS WEEK: (SANCTUARY LAMP)
REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF MARIA ISABELE CASTELO (†)



2024 Tax receipts are now available at the Narthex for pick up until the end of the month. **Please don't lose it. It takes a lot of steps to reissue another tax receipt. Keep it in a safe place until you will file it.**

Thank you once again for your continuous support and generosity to our parish.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Serrano






Second Collections

March 5 – Ash Wednesday
March 9 – Building Fund
March 30 – Easter Flowers

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Saint Peter Damian, Doctor of the Church
 Feast: 21st February



Prayer
 All-powerful God, help us to follow the teachings and example of Peter Damian. By making Christ and the service of His Church the first love of our lives, may we come to the joys of eternal light, where He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.




In recognition of all Archdiocesan Employees, His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo will recognize the service of our parish secretary; Marichu Ramirez-Alo on her 10th year of service. Awarding will be at St. Augustine Seminary Chapel in February 20, 2025 (Thursday). Presided by his Eminence Cardinal Leo

Marian Shrines & Rome Tour

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MARCH 5, 2025
ASH WEDNESDAY

8:30am, 9:40am (St. Bartholomew School Mass)
& 7pm



Ashes are imposed on our foreheads to remind us that we will return to dust and that we are not of this world but are made for eternity with God

WHERE DO THE ASHES COME FROM?
 The ashes come from THE BLESSED PALMS used during the PALM SUNDAY celebration of the previous year.

WHY THE ASHES?

The imposition of ashes symbolizes REPENTANCE, CONTRITION and PENANCE for all our SINS. OUR LORD calls us to TURN AWAY FROM SIN and RENEW OUR CHRISTIAN LIFE, responding to HIS LOVING INVITATION TO CONVERSION, most especially during this LENTEN season, through PRAYER, SACRAMENTS (esp. of CONFESSION), FASTING & ABSTINENCE, and WORKS OF MERCY, to prepare ourselves for and benefit from HIS PASSION, DEATH AND RESURRECTION which we commemorate during the HOLY WEEK.

PROPER DISPOSAL OF OLD BLESSED PALMS
 Whatever you do, don't throw them away!

According to the *Code of Canon Law*, **blessed items are not to be discarded in a trash can**, but treated with respect (cf. #1171). At Mass these palm branches were set apart by a blessing from the priest and made into a "sacramental," an object that is meant to draw us closer to the celebration of the seven sacraments. Throwing them in the trash ignores their sacred purpose and treats them like any other object we no longer need.

Burn or bury
 Most sacramentals, like palm branches for example, **can be burned or buried** in order to properly dispose of them. This type of disposal honors their sacred purpose and returns them to the earth in a dignified way.

Please don't bring it to the church. We don't have a place to burn them. We already have enough ashes for everyone.

Friendly Reminder
CELEBRATION MASS FOR FRANK CARDINAL LEO

St. Michael's Cathedral (Mass to celebrate elevation to the College of Cardinals
 Wednesday, February 19, 2025 – St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough @7pm. (Cardinal Leo to preside).

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



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