



SAINT BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

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Pastor: Rev. Father Fernan Serrano
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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	Annette MacDonald 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: DEUTERONOMY 26:4-10

Moses describes the offering of praise for God's deliverance of Israel.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 10:8-13

Paul teaches that we are saved by faith.

GOSPEL: LUKE 4:1-13

In the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

FAMILY CONNECTION:

In Luke's Gospel, the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert appears just after Jesus' Baptism and before Jesus begins His public ministry. We can imagine this as a time of transition, a turning point in Jesus' life. Perhaps we can liken it to one of the important turning points in our own lives: the decision to marry, the birth of a child, the acceptance of a new job, or the decision to move to a new home. After the moment of decision, having reached the point of no return, we sometimes begin to wonder if we are prepared and ready for the task before us. Turning points can be times of doubt and insecurity. Jesus' response to the temptations of the devil offers an example for responding in faith when our doubts and insecurities tempt us to distrust God's sufficiency. Jesus rebukes the devil by quoting Scripture. Each citation is an affirmation of trust in God. We learn to trust in big things by practicing trust in little things. Our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving invite us to trust God in these small ways. They remind us that God will suffice for us. They prepare us to trust in God in all things, especially in moments of doubt and uncertainty.

As a family, talk about ways in which trust has been built among members of the family. Observe how being trustworthy in small matters enables us to trust one another in more important matters. Offer specific examples if possible (e.g., children who establish their responsibility in household tasks can be granted greater independence and freedom to choose how they perform these tasks). Today's Gospel shows us how Jesus trusted God in all things. Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 4:1-13. Discuss how Jesus showed His trust in God when He resisted the devil's temptations. Invite family members to name times when they have trusted God in matters small or large. Write a family prayer together. You might write the prayer so that each line begins with a letter in the word "trust." Pray this prayer together.

Mass INTENTIONS

Saturday	MARCH 8, 2025
9:00 AM	- BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS FOR TOM CAHATOL
	- EDUARDO & SARA FERNANDES (†)
	- THANKSGIVING OF VICTOR & MARICHA ECHAVEZ
	- HEALING FOR POPE FRANCIS
5:00PM	GABRIEL NORONHA (†)
Sunday	MARCH 9, 2025
9:30 AM	MARY ANNE LADOUCEUR (†)
11:15AM	FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS
Monday	MARCH 10, 2025
WHOLE DAY – PASTOR'S REST DAY	
Tuesday	MARCH 11, 2025
8:30AM	HILARION BERCASIO SR. (†)
Wednesday	MARCH 12, 2025
8:30AM	BERNARDO & TEODORA HERNANDEZ (†)
Thursday	MARCH 13, 2025
8:30AM	MARITA SALVOSA (†)
Friday	MARCH 14, 2025
8:30 AM	JOHN WALTER (†)
	DECEASED SOUSA FAMILY (†)
BURNING THIS WEEK (SANCTUARY LAMP):	
REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF EASTER SORIANO (†)	



March 30 – Easter Flowers

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March 30, May 4 & June 8, 2025

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Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



HOLY WEEK

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

March 25-28 & April 1-4, 2025 (Tuesday until Friday)
 9:30am-12:00pm or 1:30pm-3:00pm

To avoid disappointment kindly call or email the parish office before coming to ensure the pastor is around. The pastor can be called for a funeral or anointing during these times.



STATIONS of the CROSS
 Every Friday in Lent – March 7 (Adoration), 14, 21, 28, April 4 (Adoration) & 11, 2025

We begin with the Rosary/Adoration at 6:00pm

MARCH 23, 2025 (SUNDAY) – DAY OF RECOLLECTION

After the 11:15am Mass until 4pm
 Master of Recollection: Fr. Fred Chung & St. Augustine Seminarians
 Confession will be heard during the Lenten Encounter

APRIL 13, 2025 – PALM SUNDAY
 REGULAR MASS TIMES

APRIL 15, 2025 – MASS OF CHRISM
NO MASS AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISH in lieu of this we will have the morning Mass on April 14th @ 8:30am.

APRIL 17, 2025 – HOLY THURSDAY NO 8:30am Mass
 Mass is @ 7:00pm (The Lord's Supper)
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

APRIL 18, 2025 – GOOD FRIDAY NO 8:30am Mass
 10:00am, 12:00 noon Stations of the Cross
 (Led by parish ministries & organizations)
 1:00 pm Children's Passion Play
 3:00pm-6pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
 Church is open for visitation from 7:00am until 6:00 pm for private prayers.
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

APRIL 19, 2025 – EASTER VIGIL (SATURDAY)
CHURCH CLOSED THE WHOLE DAY UNTIL 6pm.
NO 9:00AM & 5:00PM MASS
 7:00pm (Beautiful candle light service)
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

APRIL 20, 2025 – EASTER SUNDAY
 Regular Mass Schedule (Sunday: 9:30am & 11:15am)
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED



Save the Date: On **Saturday, May 31**, the **Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, a new archdiocesan event called "A Day With Mary" will be taking place at Villanova College in King City. We will gather together from all corners of the archdiocese to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address for the adults and children's catechesis for the kids. There will be music and fellowship, and we hope you will consider joining the Cardinal Archbishop and so many others who love the Blessed Mother. Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us!



E-Mails Claiming to be from Cardinal Leo

In recent days, communication has been circulating, most often addressed to religious communities, claiming to be from Cardinal Leo. A fake Yahoo e-mail address is being used. Please disregard any communication coming from this address as it is not legitimate. The fraud has been reported. Thank you for your co-operation

The Annual
Mass of St. Patrick
 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

President and Homilist:
 His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins,
 Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto

Monday March 17, 2025, 10:00 AM
 All are welcome!

Those unable to attend can participate in the celebration via livestream at www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live

Marian Shrines & Rome Tour

DEPARTURE SEP 15

UNDER THE SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE OF REV. FERNANDO SEBRANO
 PASTOR OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S PARISH, SCARBOROUGH

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"The fast of Lent has no advantage to us unless it brings about our spiritual renewal. It is necessary while fasting to change our whole life and practice virtues. Turning away from all wickedness means keeping our tongue in check, restraining our anger, avoiding all gossip, lying and swearing. To abstain from these things—herein lies the true value of the fast."
 — St. John Chrysostom

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