



# SAINT BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

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**Pastor:** Rev. Father Fernan Serrano  
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**Parish Secretary:** Marichu Alo ext 201  
**Parish Custodian:** Angelito Flauta

### 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

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



**FIRST READING: GENESIS 15:5-12,17-18**

God makes a covenant with Abraham, promising him many descendants.

**SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 3:17-4:1 (OR SHORTER FORM, PHILIPPIANS 3:20-4:1)**

Paul encourages the Philippians to remain firm in their faith that Christ will subject all things to himself.

**GOSPEL: LUKE 9:28B-36**

Jesus is transfigured in the presence of Peter, John, and James.

**FAMILY CONNECTION:**

In today's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to the disciples saying, "Listen to Him." The Transfiguration was a focused moment for the disciples when they heard God speaking to them and experienced Jesus in glory. They most certainly left this focused moment with a new appreciation for the importance of Jesus' words even if they did not yet understand everything that He had taught them. During Lent, we are invited to consider our attentiveness to Jesus and to one another. In the pace and noise that often characterizes family life, how well do we listen to one another? What opportunities do we have for quiet prayer?

As you gather as a family, count the number of pieces of equipment in your home that produce sound: televisions, radios, CD players, computers, video games, etc. Observe if sometimes more than one piece of equipment is playing simultaneously and how this might affect communication. Discuss the question: What is it like to try to talk with one another when this equipment is on?

Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 9:28-36. Consider whether the noise and pace of your family life allows family members opportunities for quiet prayer. During Lent, it may be appropriate for your family to choose a time for quiet in the household by turning off televisions, radios, and CD players. Consider whether your family would like to establish such a time during this Season of Lent and suggest that it might allow you the opportunity to listen more attentively to one another and to find time for quiet prayer. Spend a few such moments as a family, asking God to help you listen well to one another and to Jesus.

**Mass INTENTIONS**

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| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>MARCH 15, 2025</b>                      |
| 9:00 AM          | - MARIANO ALAJAR (†)                       |
|                  | - DECEASED FERNANDES FAMILY (†)            |
|                  | - INTENTIONS OF DEREK MCDONALD             |
|                  | - ESTELA WHITING (†)                       |
| 5:00PM           | VICTORIA NORONHA (†)                       |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>MARCH 16, 2025</b>                      |
| 9:30 AM          | SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF                      |
|                  | LORIE & ALEX NISPEROS                      |
| 11:15AM          | FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF                  |
|                  | ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS               |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>MARCH 17, 2025</b>                      |
| WHOLE DAY        | - PASTOR'S REST DAY                        |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>MARCH 18, 2025</b>                      |
| 8:30AM           | CAROLINE MEI LING CHEN (†)                 |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>MARCH 19, 2025</b>                      |
|                  | <b>SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED</b> |
|                  | <b>VIRGIN MARY</b>                         |
| 8:30AM           | FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF                  |
|                  | ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS               |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>MARCH 20, 2025</b>                      |
| 8:30AM           | ROGER SEGUIN (†)                           |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>MARCH 21, 2025</b>                      |
| 8:30 AM          | -EDGARDO FRANCO (†)                        |
|                  | -DECEASED LAM FAMILY (†)                   |



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## 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 14<sup>th</sup> @ 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**

**5 tips to help you live liturgically this season**

- DO AN EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE TO SEE HOW YOU CAN ELIMINATE SIN IN YOUR LIFE
- READ OR LISTEN TO THE DAILY READINGS. TAKE THESE WORDS TO HEART
- ABSTAIN FROM MEAT ON ASH WEDNESDAY & EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT
- STAY CLOSE TO THE SACRAMENTS! ATTEND WEEKDAY MASS & GO TO CONFESSION
- ADD SOMETHING NEW TO YOUR PRAYER ROUTINE LIKE PRAYING THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**THINGS TO DO DURING LENT**

ChurchPOP



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!

**A PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH**  
 Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted His only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.  
 (From Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, "Patris corde")

## Do you want to fast this Lent?

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill you heart with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to other.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

- Pope Francis' Words

**Marian Shrines & Rome Tour**

**DEPARTURE 15 SEP**

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

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**TRAVEL DATES SEP 15 - 26**

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