

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

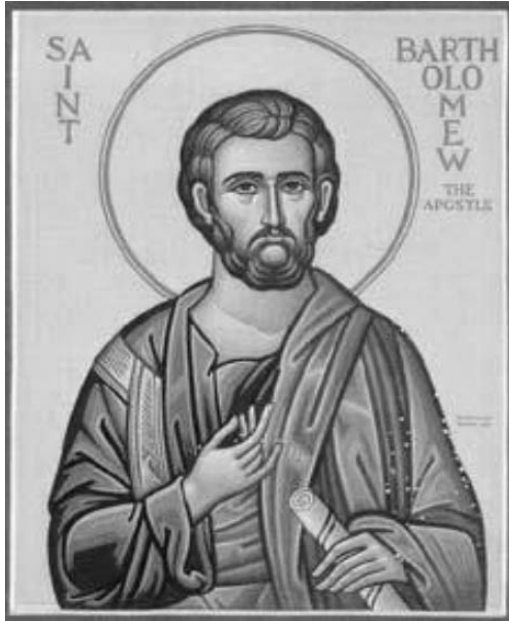
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Parish Secretary: Marichu Alo

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

Altar Society

Catholic Women's League

Children's Liturgy

Choir

5:00pm

9:30am

11:15am

Eucharistic Minister

Hospitality Ministers

5:00pm

9:30am

11:15am

Knights of Columbus

Lectors

5:00pm

9:30am

11:15am

Finance Council

Parish Charity Work

Parish Food Bank

RCIA Coordinator

Shut-in Coordinator

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Volunteer Screening Committee

Rebecca Cadawas

Annette MacDonald

Stephanie Silverio

Amy Vaz

William Lynch

Michael Cole/Sheilah D'Souza

Desiree Viceral

Cecille Santiago

Tessie Malonzo

Janrol Vinci Fajardo

Sasikumar Thiagarajan

Flora Vaz

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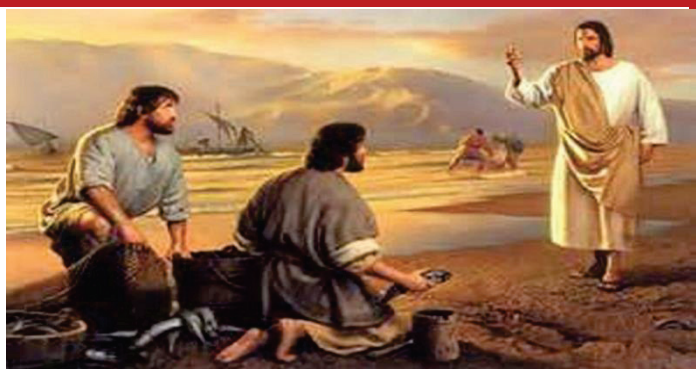
Michael Gomez

Sonia Da Costa-Spence

Desiree Viceral

c/o Prince of Peace Parish
call 647-234-0265

Cecille Santiago

**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 8:23,9:3**

The people in darkness have seen a great light.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIAN 1:10-13,17

Paul urges the community at Corinth to be united as people baptized in Christ's name.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-23

Jesus begins to preach in Galilee and calls His first disciples.

FAMILY CONNECTION:

Today's Gospel tells us little about the background of these fishermen, their work, and their families. In today's Gospel, we are simply told that James and John left their father, Zebedee, in the boat and followed Jesus.

Some details about the families of these first followers of Jesus are found later in Matthew's Gospel, however. In Matthew 8:14-15 for example, Jesus goes to the home of Peter and heals his mother-in-law of a fever. Matthew 20:20-28 relates how the mother of the sons of Zebedee (James and John) approaches Jesus with the request that her sons be given places of honor in Jesus' kingdom. These brief references suggest that the first disciples' separation from their families may not have been as complete as the verses in today's Gospel might lead us to believe. Matthew points out the separation because he wants to show that Christian discipleship can require a change in our lives and even our family relationships.

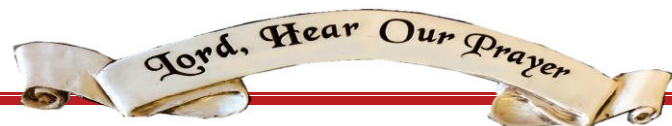
Perhaps the message for us today is to balance the radical call to be a follower of Jesus with the challenge to be "fishers of men" even within our own families. Creating this balance may require that we change some of the priorities of our own family life.

As a family, detail the activities of a typical day. Discuss together what priorities are reflected in this daily schedule. How does your family respond when your daily plans are interrupted or must be changed? Together read today's Gospel, Matthew 4:12-23. Reflect together on the example of the first disciples who dropped everything to follow Jesus. Ask: Does our family schedule give evidence that we put God first in our family life? What might we do to better reflect that God is our priority?

Pray together that your family will always give evidence that God comes first in your family life. Pray today's Psalm or the Lord's Prayer.



Saturday	JANUARY 24, 2026
9:00 AM	-HILDA SEEDANEE (†) -ANGELINE DENGAYAN (†) -INTENTIONS OF LOUISA UDUHEI -FIDES VILLASANTA (†) -LEAH NORONHA (†)
5:00 PM	
Sunday	JANUARY 25, 2026
9:30AM	RON MACLENNAN (†)
11:15AM	FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONER
Monday	JANUARY 26, 2026
WHOLE DAY – PASTOR'S REST DAY	
Tuesday	JANUARY 27, 2026
8:30AM	-BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS OF LUZ ALMENDARES
Wednesday	JANUARY 28, 2026
8:30AM	-RENE BERCASIO (†)
Thursday	JANUARY 29, 2026
8:30	-MA. ELOISA CRUZ (†)
Friday	JANUARY 30, 2026
8:30am	-HILDA SEEDANEE (†) -IRENEO NERY (†)
BURNING THIS WEEK (SACTUARY LAMP):	
-IN THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSING BESTOWED FOR MARICHA ECHAVEZ	

**PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM****SESSION 8****FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

February 7, 2026 [Saturday] 3:30PM-4:30PM

CONFIRMATION

FEBRUARY 8, 2026 [Sunday] 12:30PM-2:00PM

**Remember in your prayers the children and the young people of our parish as
they continue to prepare to celebrate and receive the Sacraments.**

**2026 Offertory Envelopes**

**NOTE: ALL 2026 DONATION ENVELOPES THAT
WERE NOT BE PICKED UP BY END OF JANUARY
2026 WILL BE REASSIGNED**

JANUARY 25, 2026

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Important Note

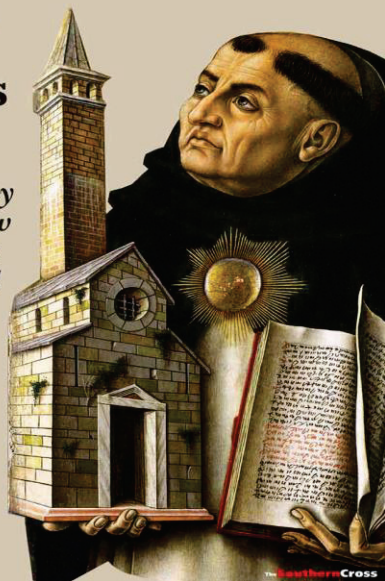
All donations and/or gifts in cash and kind cannot be refunded/returned as per CRA and the policy of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Once the item was given it is already the property of the parish.

As per CRA guideline: "A registered charity cannot return a donor's gift. At law, a gift transfers ownership of the money or other gifted property from the donor to the charity. Once the transfer is made, the charity is obliged to use the gift in carrying out its charitable purpose."

In addition the parish will also not lend/loan any property of the parish to any individual/parishioner.

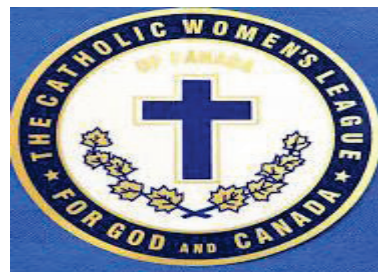
Prayer of St Thomas Aquinas

*Grant me, O Lord my
God, a mind to know
you, a heart to seek
you, wisdom to find
you, conduct
pleasing to
you, faithful
perseverance in
waiting for you,
and a hope
of finally
embracing you.
Amen*



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**WILL HOST OUR ANNUAL PARISH FAMILY DAY
BRUNCH
FEBRUARY 16 2026
REGISTRATION IS A MUST**



**SUPPORT THE SPIRITUAL BOUQUET
CAMPAIGN FOR THOSE WHO ARE TO BE
ORDAINED TO THE MINISTERIAL
PRIESTHOOD AND THOSE WHO WILL
DEDICATE THEIR LIFE TO RELIGIOUS LIFE
IN THE SERVICE OF THE CHURCH**



JOIN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY IN A SIX WEEK LENTEN REFLECTION

The first Pastoral letter "THAT BLESSED
UPPER ROOM" of Archbishop Francis
Cardinal Leo will guide us in our Lenten
journey this year.

February 25th	EUCCHARIST
March 4th	PRIESTHOOD & HUMBLE SERVICE
March 11th	THE RESURRECTION & HOLY SPIRIT
March 18th	COMMUNION AND COMMUNITY MISSIONARY ZEAL
March 25th	PRAYER
April 1st	MARY

Despite our best efforts, minor oversights may occur – nobody is perfect. We ask for your understanding and invite everyone to stay focused on what truly matters: our faith, our community, and our shared mission.

– FZS

A Celebration of Marriage in the Archdiocese of Toronto

MASS WITH BISHOP JOHN BOISSONNEAU

Sunday, February 8, 2026, 2:30 p.m.
St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica
65 Bond Street, Toronto

ALL ARE WELCOME!

*Special recognition and reserved seating available for couples
celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ anniversaries in 2026*

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