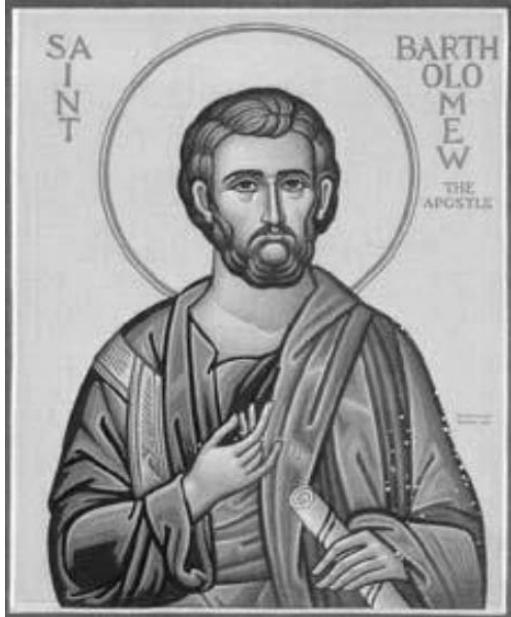


# SAINT BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

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**Pastor:** Rev. Father Fernan Serrano

**Permanent Deacon:** Deacon Gerry Cruz

**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

## CONFESION

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

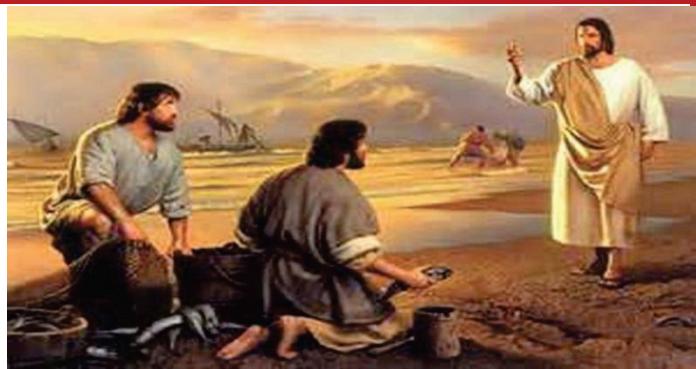
These programs normally run from September-May. Information Session takes place a week after the school opens in September (schedules are subject to changes). We only give one information session in a year. Dates are provided to the parish schools in the newsletter and also posted on our website, bulletin, 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
Children's Liturgy		Stephanie Silverio
Choir	5:00pm	Amy Vaz
	9:30am	William Lynch
	11:15am	Michael Cole/Sheilah D'Souza
Eucharistic Minister		Desiree Vicerai
Hospitality Ministers	5:00pm	Cecille Santiago
	9:30am	Tessie Malonzo
	11:15am	Janrol Vinci Fajardo
Knights of Columbus		Sasikumar Thiagarajan
Lectors	5:00pm	Flora Vaz
	9:30am	Louisa Uduehi
	11:15am	Shiranka Warnakulasuriya
Finance Council		Prabuddha Perera
Parish Charity Work		Daphne Smith
Parish Food Bank		Michael Gomez
RCIA Coordinator		Sonia Da Costa-Spence
Shut-in Coordinator		Desiree Vicerai
Society of St. Vincent de Paul		c/o Prince of Peace Parish call 647-234-0265
Volunteer Screening Committee		Cecille Santiago

JANUARY 25, 2026

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**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**

9:00 AM

**JANUARY 24, 2026**

- HILDA SEEDANEE (†)
- ANGELINE DENGAYAN (†)
- INTENTIONS OF LOUISA UDUEHI
- FIDES VILLASANTA (†)
- LEAH NORONHA (†)

5:00 PM

**Sunday**

9:30AM

11:15AM

**JANUARY 25, 2026**

RON MACLENNAN (†)

FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONER

**Monday****WHOLE DAY - PASTOR'S REST DAY****Tuesday**

8:30AM

**JANUARY 27, 2026**

-BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS OF LUZ ALMENDARES

**Wednesday**

8:30AM

**JANUARY 28, 2026**

-RENE BERCAPIO (†)

**Thursday**

8:30

**JANUARY 29, 2026**

-MA. ELOISA CRUZ (†)

**Friday**

8:30am

**JANUARY 30, 2026**

-HILDA SEEDANEE (†)

-IRENEO NERY (†)

**BURNING THIS WEEK (SACLUARY 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



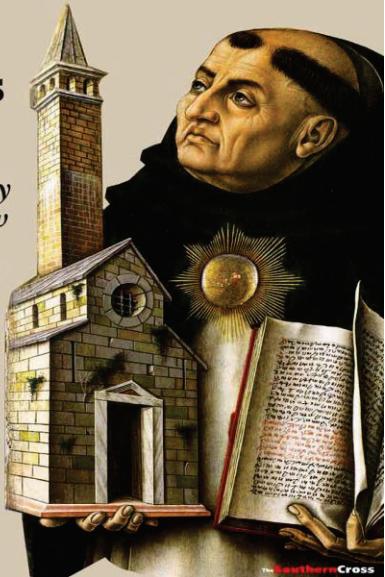
All donations and/or gifts in cash and kind cannot be refunded/returned as per CRA and the policy of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Once the item was given it is already the property of the parish.

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*



## A Celebration of Marriage in the Archdiocese of Toronto

### MASS WITH BISHOP JOHN BOISSONEAU

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

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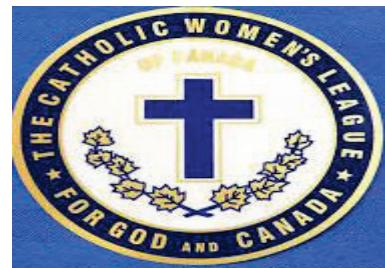


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**JOIN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY IN A SIX  
WEEK LENTEN REFLECTION**

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

February 25th	EUCARIST
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

**Go In Peace To Love  
And Serve The Lord**



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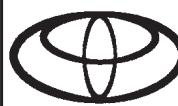
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