

SEPT. 27, 2026

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FIRST READING: Ezekiel 18:25-28

It is possible to turn from sin and preserve one's life.

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5

Be like Christ who humbled Himself and was exalted by God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus poses a question to the chief priests and elders on the meaning of obedience.

FAMILY CONNECTION:

The example Jesus poses in today's Gospel could have been taken directly from family experience. Each of us can recall instances in which family members spoke one thing but then did another. The point of Jesus' story is to show that our actions speak louder than words, even with God.

As you gather as a family, talk about times when a family member said one thing and then did another. Acknowledge that sometimes the action taken displays a true change of heart. Then read today's Gospel, Matthew 21:28-32. Observe that Jesus faulted the religious leaders for not allowing John the Baptist's message of repentance to change their hearts and actions. The word we sometimes use for this change of heart is conversion. Jesus wants us to do more than pay lip service to the Gospel; He wants us to be transformed by His word.

Pray together that your family will experience a conversion to God and show evidence of this in both actions and words. Pray together today's second reading, Philippians 2:1-5.

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
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Saturday	SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
9:00 AM	-IRENEO NERY (†) -DECEASED BURDI FAMILY (†) - ANNA SULC (†)
5:00PM	GABRIEL & VICTORIA NORONHA (†)
Sunday	SEPTEMBER 27, 2026
9:30 AM	FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS
11:15 AM	KARISSA BHAGWANDAT (†)
Monday	SEPTEMBER 28, 2026
WHOLEDAY	- PASTOR'S REST DAY
Tuesday	SEPTEMBER 29, 2026
8:30 AM	BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS FOR LANIE LIMBO
Wednesday	SEPTEMBER 30, 2026
8:30 AM	INTENTIONS & BLESSINGS FOR DEACON GERRY CRUZ
Thursday	OCTOBER 01, 2026
8:30 AM	LAURO CRUZ SR. (†)
Friday	OCTOBER 02, 2026
8:30 AM	DENNIS MARCELINO (†)
BURNING THIS WEEK (SACTUARY LAMP):	
-ROBERTO HERNANDEZ (†)	

SECOND COLLECTION

OCTOBER 4, 2026 INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION	OCTOBER 11, 2026 BUILDING FUND	OCTOBER 18, 2026 EVANGELIZATION OF NATIONS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

We kindly ask that you ensure your donation reaches the parish **within one month of the collection date.** our generosity is vital as 100% of the special collection goes directly to its intended cause.

Thank you for your support

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Celebration of Life Candle

As we approach November—a traditional time of remembrance—we invite you to honour the memory of your beloved family members and friends who have passed away, whether recently or years ago. Lighting a candle is a beautiful way to keep their memory alive in prayer.

For a donation of \$10 per candle, your dedicated tribute will be continuously lit before the altar throughout your chosen week, serving as a constant, glowing symbol of our prayers and enduring affection.

Choose your preferred weekly batch:

(Please note: Each weekly batch is limited to 150 candles and 150 corresponding forms for church and fire safety.)

- ☐ Batch 1: October 31 – November 6
- ☐ Batch 2: November 7 – November 13
- ☐ Batch 3: November 14 – November 20
- ☐ Batch 4: November 21 – November 27

BOOKING BEGINS 1ST WEEKEND OF OCTOBER.

Forms are available with the hospitality ministers.

Our parish community will continue to pray for the faithful departed and for the families of our parish throughout the month of November.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Please **grab a brown bag** and bring it with you on **Thanksgiving weekend**. Before filling your bag, kindly **check expiration dates** on all items.

Your donations will support **Agincourt Community Services**—thank you for helping our neighbors in need!

♥ *Your generosity truly makes a difference in our community!*

ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

OCTOBER 2
FEAST OF THE
Holy Guardian Angels

Prayer to Our Guardian Angel

Angel of God,
my guardian dear,
to whom God's love
commits me here,
ever this day be at my side,
to light and guard,
to rule and guide.
Amen.

*Good Angels,
pray for us!*

*You are never alone.
Your angel walks with you.*

LIFE CHAIN
Sunday, October 4, 2026
2 - 3 PM

† **PARISH PARTICIPATION**

Our Parish will be participating again this year and our intersection. We ask everyone to meet here in the church parking lot 1:45pm meet-up we will walk to our Life Chain location

Join thousands across Canada standing against abortion in a peaceful, prayerful demonstration

lifechain.ca | 1-800-730-5358 | lifechain@clife.ca

UPCOMING EVENTS

Plan Today for Tomorrow

PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR

Planning ahead is a thoughtful and compassionate gift for your family.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

To book, please contact Holy Cross directly.

A legacy of faith, hope and love.

SHARELIFE OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026

Join us at St. Augustine's Seminary!

Come and learn more about ShareLife's mission and tour the beautiful and historic Seminary.

For details and to register, please check the posters and their website.

Faith in Today. Hope for Tomorrow.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Welcome to Your Journey of Faith!

Children, we're excited to walk with you as you grow in God's love and discover the joy of following Jesus.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026 – 3:30–4:30 PM

- Parents, please drop off your child(ren) by 3:15 pm and return for pick-up at 4:15 pm so your family can attend the 5:00 pm Mass.
- During the session, you are welcome to wait in the Narthex (South Lobby/Main Entrance), but please do not remain inside the church. For the 5:00 pm Mass, families are encouraged to join the parish community inside the church.
- Send a **nut-free snack** and **water** for your child(ren).

CONFIRMATION SESSION – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026 – 12:30–2:00 PM

- Confirmandi should attend the 11:15 am Mass beforehand.
- Be sure your child(ren) have a **hearty breakfast** and bring a **nut-free snack and water**.

Communication
We primarily communicate by email—please check your inbox regularly. For general parish communication, email st.barts@archtoronto.org.

Sacramental Questions
All inquiries regarding the sacraments should be solely directed to Fr. Fernan Serrano, Pastor.

Parish Office Hours
Tuesday–Friday:
9:30 am–12:00 pm and
1:30 pm–3:30 pm.

Growing in Faith + Walking in Love + Living in Christ