



PARISH HISTORY



The Decree of Erection of the Parish of St. Bartholomew, Scarborough was issued by His Grace Philip F. Pocock then Coadjutor Archbishop of Toronto on the **31**st day of May **1968**. The spiritual Holy Spirit Parish led to the establishment of a new parish. The new boundaries of the parish are defined as:

North: Steeles Avenue East (South Side)

South: MacDonald Cartier Freeway, from Kennedy Rd. To Staines Rd; North on Staines Rd.to Sheppard

Ave; East on Sheppard Ave. and an extension thereof to the Pickering Township Line

East: Pickering Township Line (West side)

West: Kennedy Rd (East side)

It is understood in defining this boundary, unless stated otherwise, both sides of all streets named are to be considered the territory of the new parish of St. Bartholomew. **Father Cryer** was directed to take up his duties as the new pastor not later than **June 27**, **1968**.

Accordingly, three days later, on Sunday, the first Mass in St. Bartholomew's Parish was celebrated in Agincourt Collegiate auditorium for the 200-300 families. In the following year on Sunday **November 23**, **1969** Mass was celebrated in the new St. Bartholomew's School and was used for weekly celebration of Mass. We used the school gym for 5 ½ years.

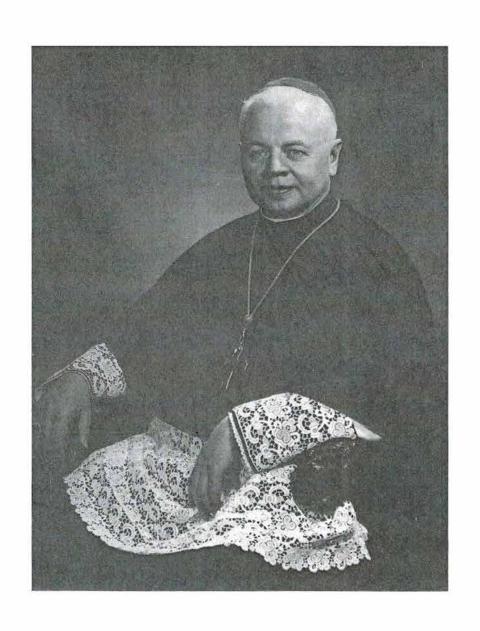
Soon after the parish was formed a Steering Committee was appointed. This committee's work led to election, in 1969, of St. Bartholomew's Parish Council. This council established the following committees: Financial & Building, Liturgical, Community Life.

In February 1972 the Building Committee began interviewing architects, and a few years later on **March 16, 1972** chose Mr. Joseph Bogdan to design & supervise construction of our parish church.

Mr. Bogdans plans were approved and a contract signed with him, **dated December 20, 1972**. The Fairwin Construction Company was awarded the contract in May 1973 and after a sod turning ceremony, construction began on our new church.

It was in December 20, 1973 (Thursday) that the Most Reverend Francis Pocock, D.D., J.C.D. (Archbishop of Toronto) gave the solemn blessing and Mass in the parish.

St. Bartholomew our parish patron and guide pray for us always.



The Most Reverend
PHILIP FRANCIS POCOCK, D.D., J.C.D.
Archbishop of Toronto

CELEBRANT OF THE SOLEMN BLESSING AND MASS SAINT BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1973



May 24, 2023

St. Bartholomew's Parish, Scarborough 59 Heather Road Scarborough, ON

Dear Father, Parishioners and Friends of St. Bartholomew the Apostle's Parish, Scarborough,

I wish to add my earnest congratulations to the parish community of St. Bartholomew's as you celebrate your 50^{th} Anniversary Jubliee Year.

St. Bartholomew the Apostle, also known as Nathaniel in the Gospel accounts, gifts us with a legacy of an apostle whom Jesus called as one without deceit, and as the one whom St. Philip invited with the words "come and see". In St. Bartholomew's openness to Christ's invitation through St. Philip, each of us is invited to "come and see", with an open heart, the blessings, and gifts that Jesus desires to share with us. It is likewise through parish life, that God's invitation flows out to the larger community.

Our Lord's invitation and grace is alive in the Sacraments, prayers, sacrifices, and good works of the parish. In being faithful Catholics, we also bring the saving message of God to our neighbourhood and to our society.

In the past fifty years, the parish community has changed a great deal. Yet the welcome and the sharing of faith remain constant as an attribute of your life together.

Be assured of my esteem for the parish community of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, its pastoral leadership, staff, volunteers & faithful parishioners.

May God bless the parish of St. Bartholomew the Apostle and your ministry for the Kingdom.

Yours Sincerely in Jesus with Mary,

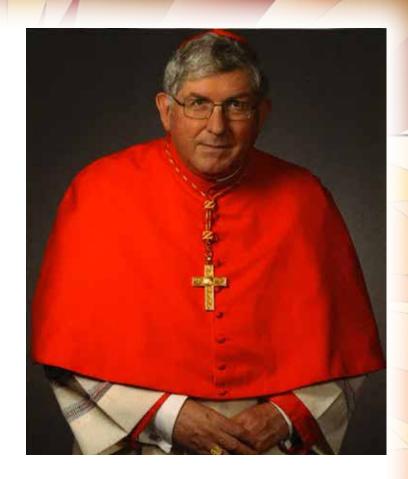
Most Rev. Francis Leo Archbishop of Toronto

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May 3, 2023

Rev. Fernando Serrano Saint Bartholomew Parish 59 Heather Road Agincourt, Ontario M1S 2E2



Dear Parishioners of St Bartholomew Parish,

May God abundantly bless you as you celebrate the 50th Anniversary of your parish.

Yours in Christ,

+ Thomas Card. Collins

Cardinal Thomas Collins Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto



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May 2, 2023

St. Bartholomew Parish 59 Heather Road Scarborough ON M1S 2E2



Dear Fr. Serrano and Parishioners,

I extend my best wishes to you on this your Jubilee Year of Consecration!

Congratulations to all the parishioners, who have helped this parish thrive in our diocese. I hope your celebration is a true testament to you, the parish community and all involved. The Church is the centre of our faith filled lives, we receive many blessings from our Lord, Jesus Christ through the celebration of the Eucharist. We are the guardians of our church. Our community thrives with the Holy Spirit when we share our love and faith in the Lord through prayer.

I thank you for your care and devotion by celebrating your Church and faith. I pray you continue to grow in your love and service to our Lord. May God continue to bless you and your families, I remain,

With you in the Lord,

Most Reverend Vincent H. Nguyen Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto



REV. JOHN NEWTON

Congratulations as you celebrate your Golden Jubilee.

 $\ensuremath{\text{\text{I/w}}}\xspace$ only at the parish for one year but made many friends while there.

I was impressed with the involvement of so many parishoners in parish ministry.

Father Joe Nolan and I became very close friends and had dinner together weekly after I was transferred to Sts. Peter and Paul in Mississauga,

i left the parish with many good memories.

May the good Lord continue to bless you.

Love, 2, Gal Fr. John



Dear Loved parishioners of St. Barts,

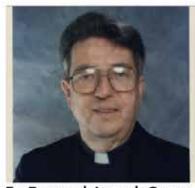
Little did I realize that when Monsignor Polito had phoned me in the kitchen at Our Lady of Fatima that he wanted me at St. Barts in one day and that I would spend 22 years here. I love my memories particularly of our Holy Deacons (Tab & Leo) and their respective families and dear Carol & husband Bill.

I think that of my many years I was able to walk "Coco" onto the grounds and to the enjoyment I had with the children in the fields next door. I spent almost half of my priestly career here at St. Barts and the happy memories I have had here.

Thank you one and all.

Fr. Fred Foley

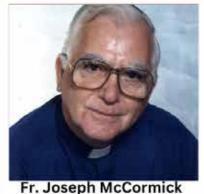
St. Bartholomew Parish CELEBRATING 50 YEARS! 1973-2023



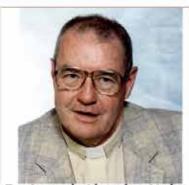
Fr. Bernard Joseph Cryer

Pastor

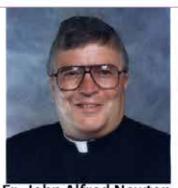
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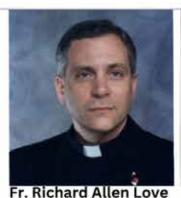
Fr. Joseph McCormic Associate Pastor December 9, 1978



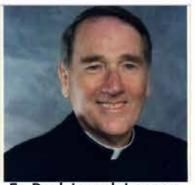
Fr. Joseph Aloysius Nolan Pastor June 19, 1980



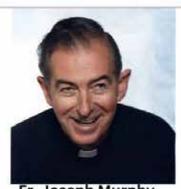
Fr. John Alfred Newton Associate Pastor June 30, 1982



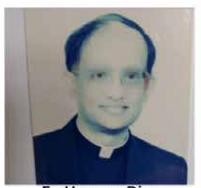
Associate Pastor June 30, 1983



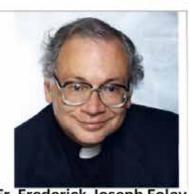
Fr. Paul Joseph Lennon Associate Pastor June 23, 1984



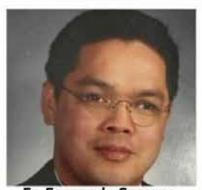
Fr. Joseph Murphy
Pastor
November 1, 1993



Fr. Herman Dias Associate Pastor July 1, 1994



Fr. Frederick Joseph Foley Associate Pastor Nov. 25, 1997 Pastor July 1, 1998



Fr. Fernando Serrano Pastor June 26, 2019



May 12, 2023 22nd Sacerdotal Anniversary



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

As we mark the 50th anniversary of consecration of St. Bartholomew Parish, our spirit of joy and thanksgiving is tempered by the remembrance of what transpired in our time- the outbreak of COVID 19 pandemic that affected our personal and parish life. Many of us can remember where we were and what we were doing when the news broke of the pandemic. The images of those days linger in our consciousness, the mourning for victims is embedded in our hearts, and the courage of healthcare workers and many others continue to inspire us. We remember also the spirit of solidarity that, for a time, prevailed around, even as many turned to the Lord and to their churches for solace and understanding.

As we shall see momentarily, my opening comments regarding what we all experienced may apply also to the anniversary we are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the dedication and consecration of St. Bartholomew Church on December 20 1973 by the late Most Reverend Philip Pocock. On this occasion we quite naturally recall those whose foresight and generosity made possible the establishment of this parish, and whose creative talents and skills brought this church into being: our founder pastor Reverend Bernard and, above all, the hundreds of faithful and generous families who came together to make St. Bartholomew Parish an enduring spiritual home, who have carried out the mission of St. Bartholomew Parish thru the years, viz., and I quote: "we dedicate our lives to you and promise to help make your presence a reality in this community...." (St. Bartholomew Parish Mission Statement).

Indeed, on this anniversary we recognize that now it is our time, it is our day to unite in accomplishing the mission of this parish, in union with the whole Church. We strive in God's grace to fulfill that mission in a world filled with God's blessings. As we look to the future of the Parish of St. Bartholomew, we do pray to strive strengthened by our faith, hope and love to continue our to accomplish our mission as a Catholic community that loves God, forms disciples, serves others, and changes lives, indeed, may we hear an encourage by the words proclaimed by St. Pope John Paul II 'Our spirit is set in one direction, the only direction for our intellect, will, and heart is—towards Christ our Redeemer, Christ the Redeemer of the human race' (cf. REDEMPTORIS HOMINIS, 7).

It is in the Eucharist that we encounter Christ most profoundly, and because we receive Christ we must be ready to follow Christ and bear witness to Him! In spite of the challenges facing us as a Church and as a society, let us be full of hope. For at the heart of our lives, there exists a love— a love stronger than sin and more powerful than death—the crucified love of Jesus Christ. Let us then look ahead to the next fifty years of the life and mission of St. Bartholomew Parish, asking our heavenly Redeemer to bless us and to keep us always in His love.

I am honoured and humbled to be your pastor at this auspicious celebration.

For you I am your pastor with you fellow disciples of Christ,

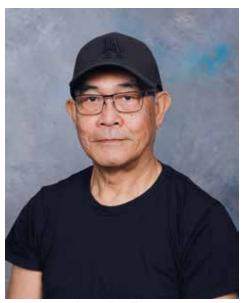
Reverend Fr. Fernan Serrano

Pastor

PARISH STAFFS



Marichu Alo Parish Secretary



Angelito Flauta Custodian

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS / MINISTRIES



9:30 AM Adult Choir



Daily Devotees



First Holy Communion Ministry



9:30 AM Hospitality Ministry





Eucharistic Ministry



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Jubilee Committee



Jubilee Committee



Legion of Mary



Out of the Cold Ministry



PARISH PARISHIONERS

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ALO, Marichu & Albert Miel



ANDRIS, Maria



APRILE, Rose & Salvatore Tina, PEREIRA, Gioia, Isla



ASTON, Maria



AU, Doris



BARRON, Derick, Regie, John



BOURNE, Brenda



BOYCHUK, Paul & Eliza Veronica, Joseph, Emily, Margaret



BRIONES, Emilio & Norma



BURDI, Vito & Carmela



CAHATOL, Tomas & Divina



CAYABYAB, Maria Ian, Connie, Aiden, Mia



CHIN, Leslie & Carmen



CHUNG-SUM-WAH, Rene & Lise



COLE, Michael



CRUZ, Deacon Gerry



DA COSTA-SPENCE, Sonia



DE LIMA, Lisa & Neil Megan, Kimberley



DEL ROSARIO, Anthony & Maria Teresa; Anne Marguerite, Anne Magdalene, Anne Mathilde



DEAS, Andrew & Alicia ARITCHETA, Mathew John, Allyson Jane



* DIZON, Angelica & Ricardo Jocelyn



D'SOUZA, Daphne & Wilfred Irwin, Julia, Schinella, Chris, Moya



D'SOUZA, Winston & Sheilah



DUARTE, Joseph & Winnie Joshua, Janice



FALCON, Carmelo & Teresita



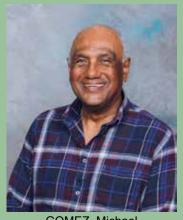
FERNANDES, Nelson & Ninette Isabelle, Sean, DSOUZA, Alice



FITZPATRICK, Pat & Jim



FUNG, Shirley & Kenneth



GOMEZ, Michael



GRAZIANO, Raimondo & Antonietta



GREASLEY, Theresa & Rupert MEYERS, Cynthia



GUTIERREZ, Angelito & Salome



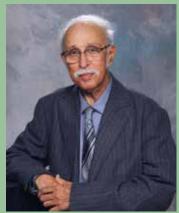
HART, Leonora



HSIEH, Frederick & Susan



KONG, Mary



KURUP, Maurice



LECLERC, Paul



LEE, Deren & Phyllis Rufus, Faustina



LI, Kenneth & Teresa



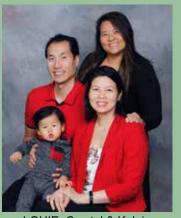
LIN, Tsu Tun (Paul) & Oai Hing (Mary Anne)



LOPEZ, Tony & Tess



LORESCO HERNANDEZ, Rosalinda HERNANDEZ, Estrella, RAMONES, Elena



LOUIE, Crystal & Keluin Nathaniel, LUE, Loriann



LOZANO, Pamela



LYNCH, Bernard & Iris William



MACDONALD, Annette



MACLENNAN, Yolanda



MALONZO, Tessie & Rick



MAPANAO, Donna



MARCELINO, Dennis & Merlinda Daryl



MARK, Jeff & Kathryn Alexander



MAULUCCI, Michelina & Luigi



MCDONALD, Derek & Jane Vinci



MENEZES, Benedict & Teresa



MERCER, Jacinta



MINEQUE, Patrick



MOORE, Shirley



NG-CHEUNG, Irene Chanelle



NISPEROS, Felix & Loreta



ORAT, Zaide & Geoffrey Gabriel DAWANG, Zenaida



RAGASA, Mary Ann Melanie, Meliza



REINOSO, Nestor & Blesilda



RESTITUTO, Schubert Caesar



ROY, Arun & Chelsa



SANCHEZ, Rod & Raisa Katarina, Raphael



SARGAN-MANUEL, Blesilda & Antonio Reisayan, Rellijah



SAVERIMUTTU, Samantha & Peter Sherwin Mary



* SEEDANEE, Preston & Angie Preston Jr., Hilda



SEQUEIRA, Norbert and family



SILVA, Lisa



SIN, David Trevor, Evelyn



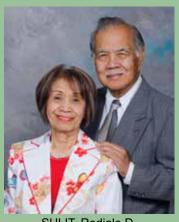
SMITH, Kevin & Daphne MENEZES, Vincent, Edward, James



SO, Bernadette



SUKHDEO, Clementina



SULIT, Rodialo D. & Felicitas M.



THERRIEN, Gerald & Magdalena



TUBO, Maryli Ramoniloa Kylanni



TUMULAK, Cheryl



UDUEHI, Louisa



VICERAL, Desiree



VILLARUZ, Lorenzo & Aida



WAKERELL, Kenneth & Irene Kimberly



WOON-FAT, Marie



WYLIE, Robert & Anne



YANG, Agnes & HUANG, David Darryl



Heartfelt thanks to God for all the grace and blessings for 50 years of marriage.

Winston & Sheilah



Our family greetings to the 50th year of Consecration of St. Bartholomew Parish.

Best Wishes, Winston & Sheilah Petula, Adrian, Mia & Gareth, Petronella, Gavin & Amayah & Winchell.



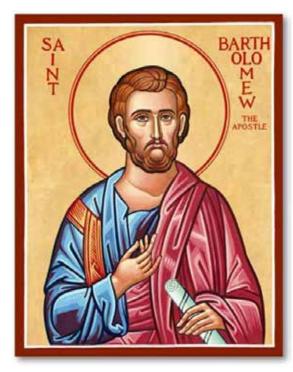
Happy 50th Consecration Anniversary, St. Bartholomew Parish!

Tony & Alba Segreto



Congratulations on your Golden
Consecration Anniversary,
St. Bartholomew Parish.

From: Fernando, Melanie,
Marlo, Crystal & Troy Sotelo



Happy Jubilee Celebration to St. Bartholomew Parish

From: Emmanuel & Mariles Lim



Congratulations on the 50th Consecration Anniversary of
Saint Bartholomew Parish

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE "ST. BARTHOLOMEW" PARISH

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REV. FATHER FERNANDO SERRANO

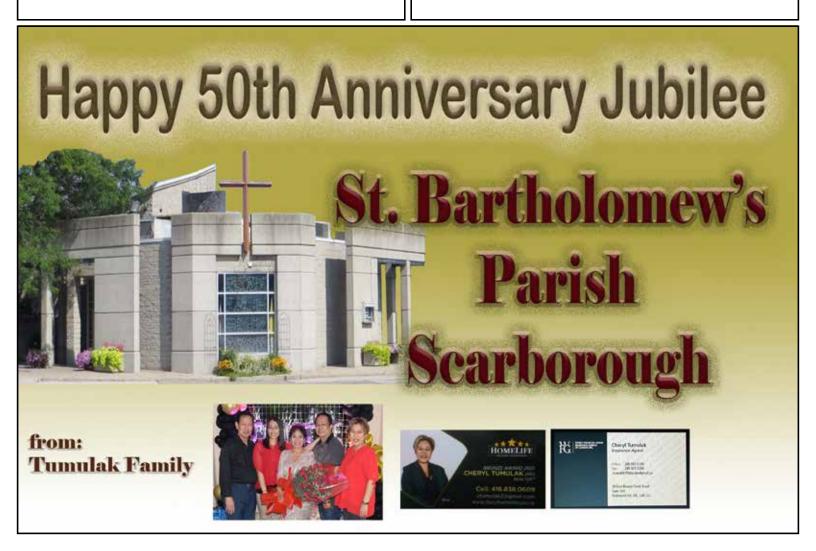
WE APPRECIATE & THANK YOU

FOR YOUR PASTORAL SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITY.

(†) Greg & Corazon Beltijar & family



The Marcelino family wish to congratulate St. Bartholomew Catholic Parish Church for 50 years of dedicated spiritual service to the community. Congratulations on its golden anniversary and we pray for many more years of spiritual guidance and devotion.





St. Bartholomew's Council 11813

The KofC wants to take this opportunity to congratulate the church for 50 years of hard work, dedication and service to the parish community. The church is an invaluable source of spiritual nourishment for the parishioners and we are quite excited as to what the future holds. Congratulations on the golden anniversary and we pray for many more years of spiritual guidance and devotion.



"OUR BEST WISHES TO ST. BARTS ON ITS 50^{TH} ANNIVERSARY OF SERVING OUR COMMUNITY" Philip & Marjorie Young

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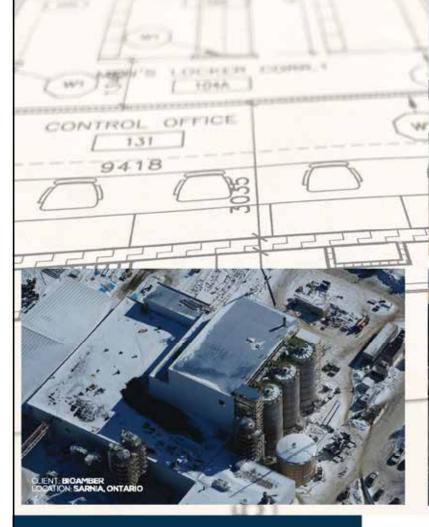
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