

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
March 23, 2020**

During the COVID-19 crisis, these Masses are being said privately in the Rectory Chapel.

Monday	8.00 a.m.	
Tuesday	8.00 a.m.	
Wednesday	8.00 a.m.	
Thursday	8.00 a.m.	
Friday	8.00 a.m.	
	10.30 a.m.	Santiago Vesperoni +
Saturday	8.00 a.m.	Werner Treichel +
	5.00 p.m.	Maureen Brady +
Sunday	7.00 a.m.	Mass for the People
	8.30 a.m.	Bob Donohoe +
	10.00 a.m.	Clarisa Bullos +
	12 Noon	Giuseppe Gagliardi +
	6.00 p.m.	
	8.00 p.m.	Bob Donohoe +

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF
March 22, 2020**

Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Lent 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
Monday	Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday	Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Thursday	Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday	Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday	Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Lent Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

You don't need to be alone



This Ministry is provided by members of our parish, intensely trained to care for people who are experiencing a loss, going through difficult times, illness or life transitions. Every time you need a friend that can listen and comfort you, please call the Stephen Ministry. Our Ministers personally attend *one-on-one* to people who request help. For information, do not hesitate to call Deacon Julio Blanco-Eccleston: 703-821-1654 / Tublec18@earthlink.net



Dear parishioners - as concerns and anxiety about the continued spread of the COVID-19 virus heighten around us, I wanted to reach out to you in faith and personal solidarity. We are all going through this together. I know this is a scary time and I am scared as well. Please take the time to read my letter to you all on our website stbartholomew.org (click on Current News and Events). It has also been sent to all those who signed up for Constant Contact. Below you will find links to sites that hopefully will help you as you are not able to attend Mass or receive Communion.

The Archdiocesan website has resources on how to receive spiritual communion: <https://adw.org/coronavirus-dispensation-and-prayers/>

Take time to read and reflect upon the readings from Sunday Mass. You can find the readings at usccb.org and a Sunday Gospel reflection at <https://www.youtube.com/washarchdiocese>

The Archdiocesan website has audio and written Stations of the Cross: <https://adw.org/coronavirus-dispensation-and-prayers/>

Our archdiocesan Sunday TV Mass is available online: <https://adw.org/parishes-masses/sunday-tv-mass/>

Daily Mass and prayer services are being live-streamed throughout the archdiocese at adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers

SOCIAL CONCERNS

The **Poor Box** for the month of **March** is for Shepherd's Table, a nonprofit organization in downtown Silver Spring, which is supported by volunteers, religious organizations, government, businesses, foundations and individual donors. Their mission is to provide help to people who are homeless or in need by providing basic services, including meals, social services, medical support, clothing and other assistance in an effective and compassionate manner.

Sister Betsy Hartson RSCJ seeks **gently-used and working laptops with power adapters** for **Living Wages**, a nonprofit educational program for DC residents age 25 and over seeking their high school diplomas. **Please note, each donated computer must have Windows 10.** If you can help, please leave your donation at the rectory. Our parish is a generous supporter of this noble cause.

2020 Census: It's Critical, Convenient, and Confidential From March until July, Marylanders will participate in the 2020 census. The census is critical for Maryland, as it determines federal funding for local communities and the state's representation in government. Responding to the questions is more convenient than ever as people can respond one of three ways—by mail, phone, or online—and all information gathered will be kept confidential and secure. An invitation to record your responses should come from the federal government by April 1. Learn more at www.mdatholic.org/2020Census and www.census.gov

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FLOWERS FOR EASTER



If you would like to remember your loved ones, living or deceased, with an Easter Flower contribution, please use the Easter Flower contribution envelopes available in the church pews. Write your name, phone number, and the name(s) of your loved one(s) you wish to remember, enclose your contribution, and hand/mail it in to the Rectory. The names of your loved ones will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Sunday TV Mass - Do you know someone who can't get to Mass? Since 1952, the Archdiocese of Washington has produced a weekly televised Mass for those who are homebound, broadcast from the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. It is a wonderful ministry for those members of our Catholic family who are unable to be physically present with a local worshipping community for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. *The Mass airs every Sunday at 10:30am on WDCW-50.* No cable; Dish or DIRECTV subscribers: Ch. 50

Looking for a job? El Pregonero invites you to its Multicultural Job Fair on Thursday, May 14 at 10 am in the Shrine of the Sacred Heart, 3211 Sacred Heart Way NW Washington DC. FREE ADMISSION.

Celebrating Special Wedding Anniversaries: 2020 Jubilarian Mass. Are you celebrating a special wedding anniversary? Each year the Archdiocese of Washington honors couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 51+ years at the annual Jubilarian Mass, held Sunday, June 28, 2020 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. For more information or to register for the Mass, please call the parish office at 301-229-7933.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend for married Christian couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. It is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on September 11-13, 2020. The weekend is in College Park, MD. Apply on moments4marriage.org It is not too early to apply! For more information leave a message at 301-541-7007. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: moments4marriage.org

Experienced HOUSEKEEPER needed to care for elderly and mobile gentleman (parishioner) living in Bethesda, for weekend only. Overnight stay available as part of package. Scope includes: meals, light housekeeping and general quality care. Reliable, principled, self-motivated with ability to follow easy schedule and menu in English, with quality oversight and mindful care. Two References needed. Driving license required. Saturday - Sunday. 10am - 7pm Please contact FFI.TX: Cell:202 997 2478; F famerasinah@gmail.com

SMALL GROUPS AT ST. BART'S

Please consider joining one or more of our small groups, outlined below, where your participation will allow you to enjoy the small group companionship that is offered. **With the current pandemic, please contact each ministry leader for updates as to when meetings will restart.**

The **Tuesday Morning Bible Group** meets September - June on Tuesdays, 9-10.30 am in the library at Bartholomew House Assisted Living. We use the Loyola Press Bible Series "A Guided Discovery for Groups". These books give structure and enable scripture discussions in a small group setting and help to increase our understanding of the Bible and how to apply it to our daily lives. New members are always welcome - contact Cecilia Motha 301-229-5990 or email ccmotha@comcast.net

The **St. Bart's Women's Prayer and Book Discussion Group** has been meeting for over 15 years in various respective members' homes. During two hours of fellowship, members share their faith, offer intercessory prayers, and discuss current faith-related books and topics. The group meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month from 9:30 am - 11:30 am. New members are welcome. Please contact Ann Kennedy at 301-367-5988 or alkenne@aol.com for more information.

Are you a busy man? Then please consider joining St. Bartholomew's **Busy-Men-at-Works Group** which meets on Thursdays, 7:30 pm - 9 pm in the rectory dining room. If you are interested, please consider joining us for readings, discussions, prayer and fellowship! For more information, please contact Manny Berard, jmb10@caa.columbia.edu

The **St. Bart's Women's Saturday Morning Prayer Group** meets on the first and third Saturday of the month from 8.30 a.m.-10.30 a.m. in private homes, with light refreshments offered. Besides opening and closing prayers, we read and discuss selected books that deepen our faith and our understanding of how it fits into our lives and bringing us closer to God. The group is open to all women and new members are always welcome. Contact: Kathleen Goldsmith, goldsmithkit@gmail.com or call 301-469-6455.

The **St. Bart's Men's Group** goal is mutual support and spiritual development based on shared insights gained from a diverse membership. We meet for about 90 minutes at 9:30am on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month. Members volunteer to host meetings on a rotating basis and each host picks the topic to be discussed. The group has been meeting for 25 years and we always enjoy the fresh perspective brought by new members. The value of the group can be appreciated by the comments of members:

"The input from our group is invaluable to me as I listen to other members describe how they deal with individual and family concerns and the problems of aging."

"It has provided me with a trusted sounding board as I face new and difficult life issues."

"Mutual support is a true blessing. As we listen to each other with respect we learn we are not alone as we face tough problems and decisions in our personal lives."

"I look forward to our Saturday get-togethers. They truly are spiritual retreats!"

"It's a sharing/caring group. I feel better after each meeting."

For more information, contact Jerry Hoskins at jfhoskins@comcast.net or Don Connolly at doncon30@comcast.net



CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA 22 DE MARZO DE 2020

La desgracia del ser humano puede ser oportunidad para manifestar la gloria de Dios al mismo tiempo que una posibilidad de descubrir las verdaderas raíces del problema. Una clave más de interpretación es la supuesta relación entre pecado y enfermedad o desgracia; para la mayoría de las personas de aquel tiempo una desgracia individual o colectiva se explicaba a consecuencia de pecados anteriores. Sin embargo al afirmar el Señor que “ni el pecó ni sus padres” rechaza esa manera tan arcaica de pensar. Vemos o estamos ciegos? La presencia de Jesús provoca simultáneamente la vista y la ceguera. Los que no ven pero están dispuestos, recobrarán la vista; en cambio los que ven pero insisten en cerrar los ojos se volverán ciegos.



PAGINA WEB DE SAN BARTOLOME

<http://www.stbartholomew.org> - Ver Comunidad Hispana

MISA DIARIA Y EXPOSICIÓN DEL SANTISIMO

Lunes-sábado

Exposición del Santísimo a las 7:30 y Misa 8:00 a.m.

Domingos a las 5:15 PM antes de la Santa Misa

La adoración es entrar con la profundidad de nuestro corazón en comunión con el Señor que se hace presente corporalmente en la Eucaristía. Vengamos a adorarle.

CONFESIONES

Domingos: 5:30 - 5:45 p.m. en español

El Señor los espera siempre, en especial todos los domingos.

MINISTERIO DE SAN ESTEBAN

Escucha, consuela, ayuda, acompaña. Este ministerio de cuidado pastoral a nuestra comunidad, ofrece apoyo a personas que están experimentando momentos difíciles, traumáticos, que momentáneamente no pueden superar o resolver. Nuestros ministros asisten de manera personal uno-a-uno a las personas que solicitan ayuda. Contamos con ministros que hablan español. Para información, no duden en llamar al Diácono Julio Blanco-Eccleston. Tel: 703-821-1654; jublec18@earthlink.net

INFORMACION PARA EL BOLETIN

La fecha límite es el día domingo anterior a la publicación del mismo. Contactar a Rafael Espinosa. juraescha@verizon.net

AVISO IMPORTANTE

Como es de conocimiento general, la Arquidiócesis de Washington suspendió todas las misas y actividades parroquiales hasta una nueva orden, aplicable a toda el área metropolitana de Washington.

La Arquidiócesis recomendó que escuchen la Santa Misa ya sea por internet o por la TV.

El horario de las misas para el domingo en EWTN es el siguiente:

En Ingles: 8am, 12m y 7 pm

Español: 8am y 4pm.

Si tienen Fios-Verizon los canales son:

Ingles 845 y en español 1741.

INTENCIONES DEL PAPA PARA MARZO

Intención de oración por la evangelización - Los católicos en China. Recemos para que la Iglesia en China persevere en la fidelidad al Evangelio y crezca en unidad.

¿COMO VIVIR LA CUARESMA?

1. Arrepintiéndome de mis pecados y confesándome.
2. Luchando por cambiar yo mismo.
3. Haciendo sacrificios.
4. Haciendo oración.

Todos los Viernes de Cuaresma están marcados por la disciplina de la **abstinencia**--de carne. La abstinencia obliga a partir de los 14 años.

Nuestras acciones hablan más que las palabras: La Cuaresma invita a vivir el amor y la reconciliación y a practicar las Obras de Misericordia. Si se vive bien la Cuaresma, deberá lograrse una auténtica y profunda CONVERSIÓN personal, preparándonos, de este modo, para la fiesta más grande del año, el domingo de la Resurrección del Señor.



ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ

El rezo de las Estaciones de la Cruz ha sido suspendido en San Bartolomé.

GRUPO DE JUVENTUD DE SAN BARTOLOME

El grupo de Juventud de San Bartolomé NO se reunirá el Domingo 29 de Marzo y los subsiguientes hasta nuevo aviso. Mayores informes contactar por favor con María Kaufmann. 32kaufmann@cardinalmail.cua.edu

RETIRO IGNACIANO PARA HOMBRES

Según el método de San Ignacio de Loyola, un encuentro personal e íntimo, predicado por Sacerdotes del Instituto Cristo Rey de Argentina. Son 3 días de meditación en silencio, recogimiento y oración sobre las verdades de nuestra fe, imprescindibles para la salvación. El Retiro será del 24 al 26 de Abril e incluye alojamiento y comidas. El costo es de \$250.00

Informes sobre la realización o no del retiro debido a los últimos acontecimientos en los teléfonos 301 404 6780 y en el 240 441 2958 o al email legionwashington@gmail.com

GRUPO DE ORACIÓN RÍOS DE AGUA VIVA

El grupo de oración “Ríos de Agua Viva” suspende sus actividades de los lunes hasta nuevo aviso. informes: sschruiz@comcast.net

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

St. Bartholomew Parish Office

6902 River Road, Bethesda, Md. 20817

Tel: 301-229-7933 ♦ Fax: 301-229-7998

♦ www.stbartholomew.org ♦

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

stbartsrectory@gmail.com

Baptisms—3rd Sunday of the month, **appointment only**. Parents are obliged to take a brief class related to the Sacrament prior to the Baptism. Class is held 1st Wednesday of the month. **Registration is required**. Call the Parish Office for more information.

Weddings—Please contact one of the priests at least 6 months prior to anticipated wedding date. Pre-Cana and instruction are required.

Sacrament of Reconciliation—Saturday, following 8.00 a.m. Mass, and 3:30-4:30 p.m.; Sunday, 5:15-5:45 p.m. (Español), or by appointment.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - The process of becoming a Catholic Christian. Call the Parish Office for information.

Adult Choir—Weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, 8:00-10:00 p.m. Choir sings every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound—Please notify the Rectory Office if you know of any parishioner who is sick or homebound and who would like to receive Holy Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick so that we can arrange to take him/her the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Note to New Parishioners—We extend to you a warm welcome from our Parish Community and encourage you to become active, involved members of the parish. Please obtain a registration form from the parish office, or from the Church vestibule.

Please Note: Bulletin notices must be received no later than 12 Noon on the Monday prior to the desired weekend of publishing.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW ORGANIZATIONS/MINISTRIES

Pastoral Council	Rollie Flynn (Chair).....	301-335-2374
	Hernan Oyarzabal (Hisp. Rep.).....	301-732-9586
	Valeria Conde (Hisp. Rep.).....	301-340-8227
	Paul Johnson (Vice Chair).....	301-320-4632
Finance Committee	Richard Elliott.....	202-686-0263
Altar Servers	Jesus Manuel Berard, Ph.D.	631-793-2005
Monaguillos/Hisp. Coord.	Bill Ayers.....	301-469-8023
Arimatheans	Joe Hanle, Dir	301-320-6151
Bartholomew House	Cecilia Motha.....	301-229-5990
Bible Group	Jesus Manuel Berard, Ph.D.	631-793-2005
Busy Men at Work Group	James Strother.....	301-706-5818
CYO	Valeria Conde (Hisp.Coord.)	301-340-8227
Children's Liturgy	Carole Wysocki (Director)	301-717-8850
Choir	Maria El-Khouri.....	301-897-9005
Church Guild	Jerry Hoskins	301-320-6337
Windows 10 Computer Donations	Contact Rectory	301-229-7933
Eucharistic Ministers	Raul Yopez.....	301-873-7491
Ministros Eucarísticos	Selma deLeon	301-229-6591
Gabriel Network	Jennifer Bautista	301-793-1899
Home and School Assn.	Bonnie Perkins	301-299-8091
Hospitality & New In the Pew	Nancy Brouillard McKenzie	301-229-1071
Ignatian Volunteer Corps	John Vivian.....	301-461-3597
Knights of Columbus	AnneMarie Economopoulos.....	301-365-1233
Lectors/Liturgy Committee	Hernan Oyarzabal	301-732-9586
Lectores	Hernan Oyarzabal	301-732-9586
Hispanic Liturgy	Susan Schill	301-469-4973
Prayer Chain	Contact Rectory	301-229-7933
Respect for Life	Kathleen Goldsmith	301-469-6455
Saturday Women's Prayer Group	Contact Rectory	301-229-7933
Sick and Homebound	Tom Carty.....	301-587-8860
Social Concerns	Peter J. Mermagen	703-971-4778
St. Bart's Parish Times Editor	Deacon Julio Blanco-Eccleston.....	703-821-1654
Stephen Ministry	Theresa Kowal	240-460-5756
Ushers	Carlos Andres Guiza	919-519-7450
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Wedding Coordinator	Maria Archer.....	901-296-9786
Youth Minister		