



St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

Our Mission: To proclaim the truth and love of the Lord Jesus Christ in word and deed by the power of the Holy Spirit and to the glory of God the Father.

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The Chatter

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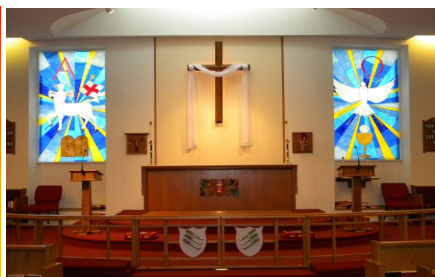
A WORD FROM FR. WARD:

It's hard to believe that we are entering the final month of summer. Harder still to believe that September 1st marks my 20th anniversary since coming to St. Bartholomew's back in 1995! I have been blessed to be part of such a wonderful congregation and faithful staff these many years. In celebration of this hallmark, I request only one thing from our members—please make every effort to attend our services consistently over the next two months! Beginning September 6, I will be doing a sermon series reflecting on 20 years of ministry at St. Bartholomew's in light of the New Testament Epistle to the Hebrews. Why Hebrews? Please come and find out! I look forward to seeing you soon!

*Yours in Christ,
Fr. Ward*



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www.stbartston.org
Also see our Facebook page
for more!



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BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD NEWS

We will have our Fall schedule in the October Chatter.

REMINDER: We have been receiving many new items in the Gift Shop, so please check them out on Sundays or Wednesdays after the services.

BUNDLES FOR BABIES: They are always in need of new and slightly used baby items at Cornerstone Manor . Please bring your donation to the Gift Shop.



 **THREADS OF HOPE:** Linens, kitchen items and small appliances in good condition for families in need. Please bring them to the Gift Shop and mark them for Carol Siock.

PLEASE SAVE YOUR **DASH'S RECEIPTS** - DEPOSIT THEM IN THE BAG ON THE GIFT SHOP DOOR.

To our St. Bart's Family and Friends,

Thank you for sharing in the Joy and Happiness of our Engagement and Wedding Day.

*Love and Blessings,
Dn. Gary and Elaine
Wisniewski*



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Vestry does not meet in July or August.

MISSIONETTES GIRLS CLUB

We are excited to begin another year of [Missionettes](#)!

[Missionettes](#) is a national Christian girls club. Our goal with [Missionettes](#) is to help your child grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Girls in grades 1-5 are invited to come fellowship, earn badges, play games, do crafts, and meet new friends.

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 6:45 to 8pm, immediately following Junior Choir. Our first meeting is September 16th. Our October meetings are scheduled for the 7th and 21st.

For additional information, please call [Michelle McCarthy](#) at 836-2790. Thank you.

Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study:

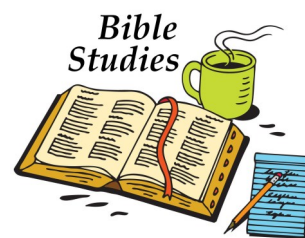
Our Mission: To grow ever closer to the Lord through a greater understanding of His Word with study, prayer and praise, and through fellowship with our sisters in Christ.

With September comes a new year— a new beginning, and a new Bible study on the book of Proverbs.

The group meets every other Tuesday beginning September 15 from 6:30—8:00pm.

Come join with your sisters in Christ for a deeper understanding of the book of Proverbs. Study materials will be provided. Bring your Bible and a friend. All are welcomed.

Questions? Call Louise Jones at (716) 874-0526 or Carol Siock at (716) 835-2105



Articles for the OCTOBER Chatter are due no later than SEPTEMBER 21.

Please let the church office know if you have a change of address or are stopping mail temporarily. Thank you , from the church secretaries.



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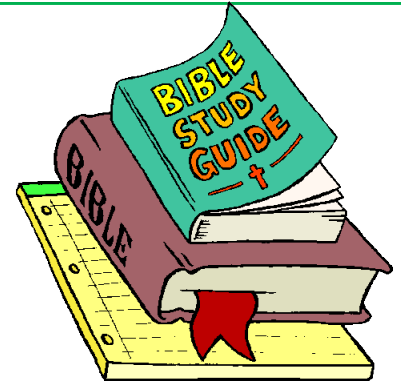
NURSERY HELPERS ARE NEEDED!!



St. Bart's Nursery is in need of responsible caregivers to watch infants and children up to age 3 during the 9:15 and 11:00am services. Two Nursery Helpers are needed each week and on a monthly schedule. Please consider volunteering your time to make this vital ministry available to our parish family and visitors.

For more information, please contact Michelle McCarthy at 836-2790.

LADIES! LADIES! Coming in September, **Beth Moore's** new study, "**BREATH,**" will start Thursday night, September 17th, from 6:30—8:30pm. It is a 6-week study on the Holy Spirit. The workbook is \$10. Look for the sign up sheet in the Fr. Amend Hall. For questions call or see Mary Gamble: 832-6327 or Krista Clontz: 692-2423.



Generation NeXt Youth Group will be have its first meeting of the season on Wednesday, September 16, at 6:45pm, and every Wednesday night thereafter. All youth in grades 6 through 12 are invited to attend. Friends are always welcome, too. See Brielle Clontz if you have any questions.



FOOD PANTRY: A total of 40 bags of food were taken to the Food Pantry in August. Please bring your items on the **FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH** so that our "**Food Pantry Delivery Angels**" only have to make one trip.

Thank you again for your generosity each and every month.

CHOIR NEWS



Dear Members of St. Bart's,

The new singing season is about to begin! Won't you please consider being a part of one of our choirs this year? We have chosen beautiful music for the choirs.

Below is the schedule for the choirs. We will resume this month:

The **JUNIOR CHOIR** will rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 6-6:45pm. This choir is open to boys and girls ages 6-14, and they will sing for the 9:15am service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. The rest of the rehearsal schedule for the Junior Choir will be handed out at the first meeting. **The Junior Choir normally rehearses two times per month. The first rehearsal will be Sept. 16.**

The **SENIOR CHOIR** rehearses from 7:00– 8:30pm every Wednesday, and is open to all, ages 16—adult. The Senior Choir sings mainly at the 11:00am service. **The first rehearsal will be Sept. 9th at 7:00pm.**

The **CONTEMPORARY CHOIR** sings the 3rd Sunday of the month for the 9:15am service, and rehearses that morning at 8:30am in the choir room. **The first time for the Contemporary Choir to rehearse and sing will be Sept. 20th.** The Contemporary Choir is open to ages 16– adult.

Won't you please sing with one of our choirs this year? God will bless you for your tithe of time and talent. If you need more information, please feel free to see me at church, or phone me at 832-6327.

Sincerely,

Terry Gamble, Organist/ Director

Eileen Arnold, Junior Choir Director



PRAY for those in the ARMED FORCES



Please keep those from our Parish Family who are serving our country in the Armed Forces in your prayers:

Andrew Arway– US Army

Jason Driscoll– US Army

Jason Duffy– US Army

James Kerins– US Army

Matthew Prohaska– US Air Force

Andrew Rebl– US Army

Brandon Schessl– US Army

Andrew Welkley– US Air Force



Please let the church office know if there are others that need to be included on this prayer list.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



September 1: Cameron Bohall,

Angelo Morgante

September 4: Julie Clementi, Beth Derschug

September 5: Robert Reuse

September 6: Emily Arnold, Thelma Fuhr

September 8: Debora Geis,

Dn. Gary Wisniewski

September 9: Donald Lonczak

September 11: Michael Bohall II,

Justine McCargo, Brayden Santora

September 13: Joann Bush, Richard Kline

September 14: Dawn Glownia,

Danielle Hyland, Damien Sammarco

September 15: Dorothy Bauerle

September 16: Sharon Brodka,

Jocelyn Clontz, James Daniele

September 17: Rebecca Hillary,

Austin Loveric, Carianne McCarthy,

Raymond Milewski, Mary Rojek,

Dorothy Willard

September 18: Carter Heacock,

Theresa Klotzbir

September 19: Ethan Brown,

JoAnn Buczkowski, Mary Gamble,

Rachel Hill, Alex Morgante

September 20: Lawrence Fenzel, Daniel Hart,

Alison Karelus, Patrick McAndrews

September 21: Thomas Brown Jr.,

Robert Henzler, Joseph Rudin

September 22: Michele Bainbridge

September 23: Jason Fish, Hayleigh Lillick,

Tom Maguire, Mark Prohaska

September 24: Fr. Russell Amend,

Kimberley Atwood, Brian Lapp,

Kiersten Lapp, Nathan Lapp,

Aaron Machelor, Susan Rieman

September 26: Alana Bush, Kelsey Simon

September 27: Wilson Emmons Jr.

September 28: David Dyviniak

September 29: Madison Boyle, Jay Clontz Jr.,

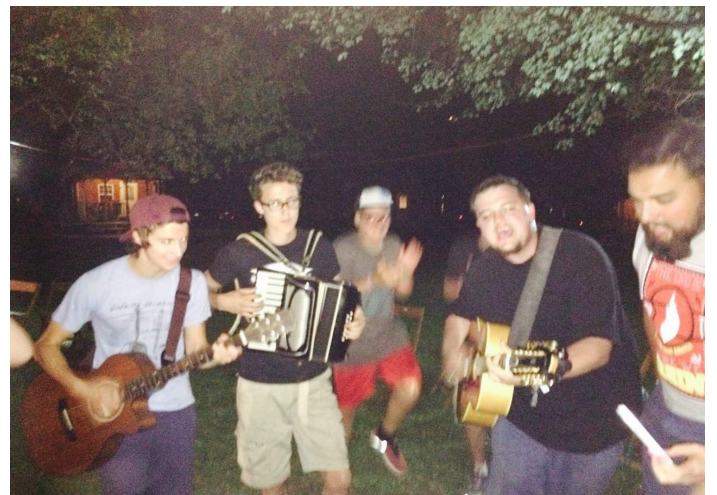
Linda Kisloski, Jonathon Welkley

September 30: Bradley Fish, Ryan Fish,

Kimberly McAndrews, Jennifer Moyer,

Abigail Sommer

KINGDOM BOUND 2015



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Traveler's Group Aboard the S.S. Minnow

(AKA The Niagara Belle)



St. Bart's Traveler's Group took a three hour cruise aboard the NIAGARA BELLE (aka the Minnow). A few brave souls depicted the crew of the Minnow from Gilligan's Island. Before being tendered out to the Niagara Belle, song sheets were handed out and we sang the theme song from the show. Mr. Howell (Bob Hughes) and Gilligan (Mike Wisz) were asked to have our picture taken with a tourist so we're probably famous on U tube. One of the male patrons on the cruise told Mary Ann (Brenda Wisz) that she was always his favorite, and it's clear from Mr. Howell's dress that clothes do make the man. The skipper (Rich Heer) was allowed to take the wheel for a photo op. Mrs. Howell (Karen Heer) looked high society with her gloves and parasol. The minnow crew was rounded out with a dapper Professor (Dick Volkert) and glamorous Ginger (Dotty Volkert). They said the seas were not rough, the boat was not tossed, the food was good and everyone had a great time!

FAMILY FUN DAY 2015



Family Fun Day 2015 was a HUGE success! The weather was great, after torrential rain and thunderstorms the night before that knocked down our tents. Hawk Creek did two wonderful demonstrations, one with mammals, including a very friendly skunk that did not want to return his cage, and an alligator that made a mess on our carpet. The second was with birds of prey, including hawks, owls and other beautiful birds. Niles Jenkins, from WDCX's Car Connection, was there, as was Bill Price and family from Family Life Network.

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The food was great, thanks to the many cooks and people who donated desserts. The kids had a terrific time in the bounce houses. Immanuel, Psalm 98, and Arthur Ward III provided music for the afternoon, the worship service and the evening.

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Fr. Ward and Buster Bison did not mind going in the dunk tank this day, as the temperatures were in the high 80's. The classic cars and motorcycles only added to the excitement and enjoyment of the day.

MANY, MANY THANKS to all who worked so hard to make FAMILY FUN DAY 2015 successful. It wouldn't have been possible without you.





Fathers' Ward, Molison and White will be performing a Pet Blessing at the Niagara County SPCA, located at 2100 Lockport Road in Niagara Falls, on Saturday, September 12, from Noon—3 PM for all the local residents and their pets. Fr. Ward will give a Gospel message prior to the actual pet blessing. Immanuel and Psalm 98 will be providing music for the event. *We will be posting a sign-up sheet in the Fr. Amend Hall for volunteers to be ambassadors for St. Bart's and Christ at the event. We are also looking for volunteers to bake for a baked goods sale, and bring the items directly to the event.*

All St. Bart's parishioners are challenged to bring at least one unchurched friend that has a pet to this event. This will be a unique way to show the love of Christ. Every animal that is blessed will receive a goody bag. Dogs, cats, turtles, hamsters, rabbits, etc. are welcome.

PRAY FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

SEPTEMBER

2015

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 30 | 31 | 1 BHUTAN Pray that Bhutan's gradual opening to the outside world will also open doors for the gospel. | 2 LIBYA Pray for Christians persecuted by their families, Islamic extremists and government authorities. | 3 ISRAEL Pray that many in the land of Jesus' birth and crucifixion will receive Him as Savior. | 4 KYRGYZSTAN Pray for Christians subjected to widespread organized corruption. | 5 VIETNAM Pray for President Truong Tan Sang. |
| 6 BELARUS Pray for believers who minister to and pray with the homeless. | 7 VIETNAM Pray for house churches and Christian gatherings that are considered illegal by the government. | 8 BRUNEI Pray for the 20 legally registered churches and for their pastors, who are watched closely. | 9 IRAN Pray that godly leaders will be raised up and trained inside Iran. | 10 BANGLADESH Pray for evangelists and pastors who receive ministry materials and transportation from VOM. | 11 UZBEKISTAN Pray for President Islam Karimov. | 12 YEMEN Pray for the courage of expatriate Christians, who are closely watched and opposed. |
| 13 SYRIA Pray for healing and peace that only Christ can bring to this nation. | 14 NIGERIA Pray that Fulani radicals and Boko Haram terrorists will be drawn to the truth of Christ. | 15 DJIBOUTI Pray for more trained pastors, Christian materials and fellowship as Christianity spreads. | 16 SRI LANKA Pray for persecuted Christians like Pastor Lasantha and Dayaratne. | 17 MOROCCO Christian activity is closely monitored. Pray that those observing Christians will come to know Christ. | 18 SAUDI ARABIA Pray for King/Prime Minister Abdullah bin Abd al-Aziz Al Saud. | 19 IRAQ Pray for the wisdom and safety of pastors who minister amid devastating surroundings in Baghdad. |
| 20 BELARUS Pray for softened, prepared hearts in those opposing the gospel. | 21 MAURITANIA Pray for President Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz. | 22 IRAQ Pray for VOM's Families of Martyrs and Bible distribution programs that assist Iraqi Christians. | 23 TANZANIA Pray that many will be drawn to Christ through the faithful witness of believers. | 24 LAOS Pray for a strong church among the ethnic minority Hmong. | 25 AZERBAIJAN Pray for Bible distributions and the protection of Bibles, which are often confiscated by police. | 26 SYRIA Pray for Syrian refugees whom VOM provides with Bibles, small furnaces, blankets and other necessities. |
| 27 KAZAKHSTAN Pray for revival among ethnic Kazakhs and for increased church planting and growth. | 28 SRI LANKA Pray for the safety of Christian converts from Buddhism. Conversion is illegal. | 29 CHINA Pray for President Xi Jinping. | 30 YEMEN Pray for VOM's work helping train Yemeni believers. | 1 | 2 | 3 |

The International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP) is Sunday, November 2. Make sure your church leaders are planning to "Remember those in bonds..." (Heb. 13:3) on this important day. Go to www.persecution.com/IDOP for resources.

www.persecution.com

SEPTEMBER 2015 CALENDAR

September 2015

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 | 2 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study | 3 | 4 | 5 4:30pm HE |
| 6 8 & 10am HE | 7 Office closed Labor Day | 8 7pm Vestry | 9 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 7pm Sr. Choir | 10 | 11 | 12 12-3pm Pet Blessing- Niagara County SPCA 4:30pm HE |
| 13 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS registration | 14 7pm PPC | 15 6:30pm Women's Bible Study | 16 9:30am HE 10:30am Bible Study 6pm Jr. Choir 6:45pm Youth Group & Missionettes 7pm Sr. Choir | 17 6:30pm Beth Moore Study | 18 | 19 9:30am Confirmation 4:30pm HE |
| 20 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS 1:00pm Holy Baptism | 21 6pm BARRA | 22 | 23 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 6:45pm Youth Group 7pm Sr. Choir | 24 6:30pm Beth Moore Study | 25 | 26 10:30am Confirmation 10am - 2pm Flu Clinic 4:30pm HE |
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