



# St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

**Our Vision:** *To see lives transformed through a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Our Mission:** *To share Christ's love and His Word with our community and the world through Christ-centered outreach, worship, prayer, and biblical study.*

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## The Chatter

NOVEMBER 2016

### **ANOTHER PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IS UPON US!**

Here we go again. And it doesn't seem to get any easier! This has been the most divisive election cycle since 1912. So what should be our response as followers of Christ? I will be answering that question during the two weekends before the election at our Saturday and Sunday services. In the meantime, please consider these four action points: 1) PRAY for our leaders both inside and outside of the Church! 2) KNOW the issues and where the candidates stand and vote your conscience and values 3) exercise your constitutional right and GO VOTE and 4) ATTEND my Revelation Friday Night Bible Study to find out how everything will really turn out!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Ward

*"First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, 2for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. 3This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." (1Tim. 2:1-4)*

*"The fear of man brings a snare, but he who trusts in the LORD will be exalted. 26Many seek the ruler's favor, but justice for man comes from the LORD." (Prov. 29:25-26)*

St. Bart's Web Information  
[www.stbartston.org](http://www.stbartston.org)  
Also see our Facebook page for more!



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# VESTRY

**The bill for the parking lot still has not been received from Thomann Asphalt.**

**The budget for 2017 of \$673,159.00 was accepted. With a 0.5% decrease from**



**last year's budget this marks the third year in a row that the church budget has been reduced or stayed the same from the year before!**



**The annual Church election of 4 new members to the Vestry will be December 4-5, 2016.**

**The CORE Team has been meeting to discuss possible projects to outreach to the community.**



We are excited to be a part of **Operation Christmas Child** again this year. Each gift-filled shoebox is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship and helps to transform lives of children and their families around the world through the Good News of Jesus Christ. Shoeboxes can be found in the Fr. Amend Hall, along with pamphlets on how to fill them. Boxes must be returned by **NOVEMBER 13!!** Question? See Kathleen Ward.



# 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:

*Jason Driscoll– US Army*

*Jason Duffy– US Army*

*Matthew Fildes– US Marines*

*James Kerins– US Army*

*A.J. Matteliano– US Army*

*Anthony Prohaska– US Marines*

*Matthew Prohaska– US Air Force*

*Andrew Rebl– US Army*

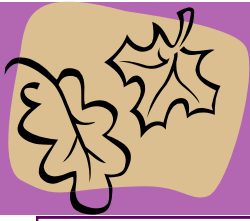
*Brandon Schessl– US Army*

*Andrew Welkley– US Air Force*



Please let the church office know if there is anyone that needs  
to be added to or deleted from this prayer list.





# BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD

We made \$328.50 at the baked goods sale we had during the Kenmore Quilt Show last month. Our Gift Shop was also open and busy– our shelves need your help! Time to do your Fall Cleaning.

We will **not** be having a Christmas Sale or baked goods sale this year (it's usually the first weekend in December). We will have Christmas items available in the Gift Shop, so bring any Christmas items in by mid-November. No large items, please (Christmas trees, etc.).

**Saturday, November 5,** we will be decorating a live boxwood tree from 10am 'til noon. This is limited to 20 participants. There is a sign up sheet in the Fr. Amend Hall, with a sample of the tree. Cost is \$20, payable at the door.

**Sunday, December 11:** Cookie Ingathering: Please bring 3 dozen cookies in on Saturday, December 10, for our shut-ins. Leave them in the kitchen, marked 'Cookie Ingathering,' so they do not get used for coffee hour. Please check the hallway by the Gift Shop on Sunday to see if you can deliver any of the cookie boxes.

**February**– date to be announced– Soup Sale

**March 11**– Annual Lenten Brunch

**April 29**– 10:00am– Exercise

**BUNDLES FOR BABIES:** Please leave new or gently used items may be brought to the Gift Shop and labeled for Cornerstone Manor. We will deliver them.

**THREADS OF HOPE:** Please bring any small household items, linens, etc., to the Gift Shop and mark them for Carol Siock.

Please continue to drop your DASH'S tapes in the bag on the Gift Shop door.



# FOR YOUR INFORMATION



November 14: God's Not Dead 2

December 5: Silent Night The true story behind the most popular Christmas Carol of all time.



*Note the change to MONDAY nights ,  
beginning at 6:00pm.*

*All are welcome.*

Our **Annual THANKSGIVING DINNER** will be held Thursday, November 24th, from 3 'til 8pm, for small families and those who would be alone on Thanksgiving Day. Dinner is served 3:30-5:30pm; dessert until



8:00pm, or until we run out. If you will not be attending , please consider donating a few cans of soup for the N.T. Food Pantry, in addition to your regular monthly donation. See David Curtis for more information.

**REQUEST:** Please save **Baskets** that are appropriate for Fundraising Basket Auctions. **Muriel Forte** would appreciate any baskets you may not need or plan to discard.

Thank you & God Bless.



# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**Prayer for our Nation:** Our next **'Prayer for Revival'** will be Monday, November 7 at 7:00pm. Be sure to pick up a copy of the '8 Days of Prayer' guide for the elections. Hope is not lost. It is only taking another way! Pray for the elections and our Country!



***Let's not always ask 'God to Bless America.'  
Let's begin praying for 'America to Bless God.'"***

***FOOD PANTRY:*** 54 bags of food and personal products were donated in October. Thank You for supporting the Food Pantry every month. Your generosity is very much appreciated!!



Articles for the DECEMBER Chatter are due by November 20th.

Thank you.

# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

November 1 Andrew LaDuca,  
Margaret McCarthy

November 2 Brianna Hayes

November 3 Patricia Emmons,  
Sarah McCarthy, Paul Wydro

November 4 David Kisloski, Mark LaDuca,  
Riley McAndrews, Cathy Reitz,  
Renee Szymanski

November 5 Karen Dolce, Larry Miller

November 6 Hunter Hayes, Sharon Lukacz

November 7 Cayden Burr

November 9 Robert Brunner,  
Channing Seymour, Dorothea Volkert

November 10 Autumn Bush, Lou Cabello,  
Marilyn Commins, Judy Karnuth,  
Norma Passino

November 11 Muriel Forte, Russell LaDuca,  
Caitlyn Siegel

November 12 James Glowonia, Diane Hyzy

November 13 Pamela Austin,  
Janelle Chiaravalle, Tami Decker,  
Patrick Henry

November 14 Robert Boyle, Nancy Brylinski

November 16 Michael Hillary

November 17 Jean Servis

November 19 Robert Brunner, Alice Csont,  
Paul Faust, Lee Sullivan

November 20 Ella Burr, Justin Johnson,  
Wendy Knapp, Joan Luczak

November 21 Lisa Borzilleri, Jean Lipinoga

November 22 Jacob Bush, Irene Scranton

November 23 Louis Oliveri Jr.

November 24 John Calabrese,  
Diane Merrick, Caiden Socha

November 25 Ronald Derrett

November 27 Andrew Hillary III

November 28 Holly Milewski,  
Thomas Passino, James Weiser

November 29 Dee Borzilleri,  
Isabel Gradzewicz, Isabel Luckoski,  
Robert Nowak, Molly Sammarco

November 30 Krista Clontz, Skye DeLuca,  
Tom Houston, Erin VanLente





# NORTHTOWN PREGNANCY CENTER WALK





# Stand for Life



Felix Fils, the Score Missionary in the Dominican Republic, who St. Bart's supports, sent us a picture of Nando with his prosthetic leg, that was paid for by the good people of St. Bart's! Both Felix and Nando are very appreciative of St. Bart's support.



# Quilt Show/Bake Sale





# Clergy/Spouse Retreat In Denver, CO



A few scenes from our trip to Denver. The white in the background is snow on the mountain tops!



This is Pike's Peak. We could not see the top of it because it was so cloudy.

# Clergy/Spouse Retreat In Denver, CO



We took a bus trip to Colorado Springs to see the Glen Eyrie Castle. We had a great dinner and a wonderful time of prayer and worship there.

Notice the size of the bus in comparison to the huge rock formation behind it!



# NOVEMBER 2016 CALENDAR

## November 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 6:30pm Men's Discipleship 7pm Vestry	<b>2</b> 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 6:00pm Jr. Choir 6:45pm Youth Group & Missionettes 7pm Sr. Choir	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7PM Bible Study "Revelation Made Relevant"	<b>5</b> 10:30am Conf. Class 10am Bishop Scaife Guild "Boxwood Tree Class" 4:30pm HE
<b>6</b> 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am Sunday School 9:15am Bible Study	<b>7</b> 7pm Bishop Scaife Guild meeting	<b>8</b> 6:30pm Men's Discipleship 6:30pm Women's Bible Study	<b>9</b> 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 6:45pm Youth Group 7pm Sr. Choir	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 7PM Bible Study "Revelation Made Relevant"	<b>12</b> 10:30am Conf. Class 11:00am Holy Marriage 4:30pm HE
<b>13</b> 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am Sunday School 9:15am Bible Study	<b>14</b> 6:00pm Pizza & Salad 6:30pm Movie 7:00pm Persecuted Church	<b>15</b> 6:30pm Men's Discipleship	<b>16</b> 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 6:00pm Jr. Choir 6:45pm Youth Group & Missionettes 7pm Sr. Choir	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 7PM Bible Study "Revelation Made Relevant"	<b>19</b> 10:30am Conf. Class 4:30pm HE
<b>20</b> 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am Sunday School 9:15am Bible Study	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 6:30pm Women's Bible Study 6:30pm Men's Discipleship	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> THANKSGIVING DAY 8 & 10am HE Parish Thanksgiving Meal 3-8pm	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 4:30pm HE
<b>27</b> 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am Sunday School 9:15am Bible Study	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 6:30pm Men's Discipleship	<b>30</b> 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 7pm Sr. Choir			

# PERSECUTED CHURCH CALENDAR

An Iraqi girl who was forced to flee her home

## NOVEMBER

2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	<b>1 BHUTAN</b> Pray for young emerging leaders in the Bhutanese church.	<b>2 MAURITANIA</b> Pray for those affected by food insecurity caused by last year's drought. Many are leaving rural areas.	<b>3 MOROCCO</b> Pray for unity among the body of Christ in Morocco.	<b>4 BHUTAN</b> Pray for Christians who smuggle Bibles into Bhutan.	<b>5 KENYA</b> Pray that the church will embrace and support Christian converts from Islam.
<b>6 TUNISIA</b> Pray for house churches in many areas of Tunisia.	<b>7 KYRGYZSTAN</b> Pray for revival among ethnic Kyrgyz and for increased church planting and growth.	<b>8 SYRIA</b> Pray for Syrian believers who are enduring severe physical and emotional trials.	<b>9 SRI LANKA</b> Pray for unity among Sri Lankan believers.	<b>10 BELARUS</b> Pray for believers who are ministering to refugees from Ukraine.	<b>11 BANGLADESH</b> Pray for persecuted Christians who have taken refuge at a VOM-sponsored safe house.	<b>12 INDIA</b> Pray for Bible distributors in northern India.
<b>13 KENYA</b> Pray that anti-terror police will not blindly accept false accusations against Christian converts or ministry workers.	<b>14 QATAR</b> Pray that many Qataris will come to faith in Christ.	<b>15 SENEGAL</b> Pray that Christian schools and institutions will be granted the same rights and advantages as Muslim schools.	<b>16 DJIBOUTI</b> Pray for Somali Christian converts who face pressures and persecution from their families.	<b>17 CHINA</b> Pray for Pastor "Gu," who works with a team of Tibetans to spread the gospel in China's most restricted region.	<b>18 SRI LANKA</b> Pray for front-line workers who are receiving discipleship training.	<b>19 NORTH KOREA</b> Pray for missionaries who distribute gospel materials in North Korea.
<b>20 BELARUS</b> Pray for creative ways to reach those who are Christian in name only.	<b>21 AFGHANISTAN</b> Pray for the effectiveness of Bible distributions in Afghanistan.	<b>22 KAZAKHISTAN</b> Pray for the availability of Christian materials in the Kazakh language and for pastoral training.	<b>23 UGANDA</b> Pray for Christian converts from Islam who are persecuted by family members.	<b>24 UGANDA</b> Pray for the unity of the church in Uganda.	<b>25 LIBYA</b> Pray that Libyan believers will have fellowship with the Lord and other believers.	<b>26 SRI LANKA</b> Pray for the printing and distribution of Christian resources in Sinhalese.
<b>27 BHUTAN</b> Pray for pastors who have been arrested for their faith.	<b>28 ALGERIA</b> Pray for children in preschool and primary school, who are being raised as a future generation of Islamists.	<b>29 NEPAL</b> Pray for front-line workers receiving bicycles in western Nepal.	<b>30 LEBANON</b> Pray for the safety of an evangelist who knows Christian converts who have been kidnapped and killed.	1	2	3

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CHURCH**

**TOWN OF TONAWANDA, NY**

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
REQUESTS THE HONOR  
OF YOUR PRESENCE  
AT A DINNER,  
THE HOLY COMMUNION,  
TO BE GIVEN IN HIS HONOR**

**THANKSGIVING DAY**

**November 24, 2016**

**8:00AM and 10:00AM**



Remember the first invitation  
in Matthew 22:1-14?

**OUR THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICES** are at 8 & 10 am. Remember to give thanks to Almighty God for His benefits to us this past year. Emphasize the spiritual benefits of the day by including your company in your celebration at church as well as sharing food at your table at home. Receiving Holy Communion on this holiday is an appropriate way to honor our Lord Jesus, as well as gathering together our families with our church family.

**PLAN ON ATTENDING THE "YOUTH RECITAL"** at 9:30am before the 10am service on Thanksgiving Day. You will be blessed!

**CARDS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PEWS FOR YOUR PLEDGE-TITHE FOR OUR 2017 BUDGET.**

**FLOWERS FOR THE CHRISTMAS ALTAR** may be given as memorials or thank offerings. Please use envelopes provided in the pews.

Deadline is December 5.

**THE ADVENT-ENVELOPE** is included in your packet of offering envelopes with the hope of returning the true meaning of Advent as a time of spiritual preparation for the coming of Christ into our hearts in our Christmas Communion. You may return the Advent envelope to church or place it in the alms basin anytime during the Advent/Christmas season. Advent offerings will be distributed to the needy and other Christian ministries. Thank you!

**THE ANNUAL PARISH ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 3 & DECEMBER 4.**

Voting will take place after all four services. Photos and information about all candidates will be available before the election. Please see Father Ward if you are interested in being a candidate for Vestry.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to pick up your 2017 calendar from the box on the table in Fr. Amend Hall.

**CHURCH SCHOOL MANGER SUNDAY** is December 11.

**CHECK PARISH LIFE** in the Sunday bulletin for announcements regarding the upcoming *Annual Christmas Pageant*, *The Bishop Scaife Guild Holiday Cookie Ingathering*, and many other events and ministry opportunities.

**THE MONTHLY COLLECTION OF FOOD FOR THE PANTRY** located in North Tonawanda is the first Sunday of the month. Thank you for your continued, generous support of this ministry!