



St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

Our Vision: *Transforming lives 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

SEPTEMBER 2017

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN INCREDIBLE SEPTEMBER OF SPECIAL EVENTS!!!

September 7-10: Fr. Jerry Kramer and his wife Stacy, Anglican missionaries to Iraq return to St. Bart's!!!

*****Thursday 9/7 - 7 PM - 8:30 PM - Growing in Faith** - hear ways to strengthen your own faith walk and reach others for Christ

*****Friday 9/8 - 7 PM - 8:30 PM - Prayer for the Persecuted Church** - learn how the Holy Spirit is working to reach Muslims in the Middle East

September 16 - 17: Bishop Bill Atwood arrives for the ordination of Deacon Andrew Thebeau!!!

*****Saturday 9/16 - 8 - 9:30 PM Men's Breakfast with the Bishop**

*****Sunday 9/17 - 8 & 10 AM - The Ordination of the Rev. Andrew Thebeau to the Priesthood** (Sunday School in session but no 11 AM service that day!)

Lunch to follow at Noon - all are welcome!!!

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St. Bart's Web Information

www.stbartston.org

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September 29 - 7 PM Friday: *Brothers McClurg* concert in the Fr. Amend Hall- tickets on sale at \$10 each.

September 30 - Noon - 4 PM Saturday: "WE CARE ABOUT YOU"

Outreach Event - this will be an event for the whole community with food trucks, a chalk art contest, car safety seat checks, a pharmacist for Q & A, a sheriff and/or fire rep, giveaways and more! While the WNY community will be invited to this event, it will also be a time to showcase St. Bart's to those who come. Please plan on attending and invite loved ones, friends, and neighbors to join you!

I look forward to getting "reacquainted" with the faithful after a great summer!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Ward



There will be another **Persecuted Church Service with Iraq Missionaries-Father Jerry and Stacy Kramer on Friday, September 8th at 7:00 PM.** The Kramer's were here last February and gave a riveting presentation on what is going on in Northern Iraq and how the Lord is opening up doors to the Gospel. Please come and invite friends and family to hear of the great things the Lord is doing in the Middle East. The Kramer's will be partnering with the local CMDA (Christian Medical Dental Association) to support a Medical Mission's trip to Northern Iraq from **Thursday December 28-Friday January 5 (returning to Buffalo on Saturday, January 6th), 2018.**

Christian Medical Mission to Northern Iraq/Kurdistan

Christian Physicians, Medical Students, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Nurses, Dentists and Dental Students urgently needed in Northern Iraq/Kurdistan from **December 28- January 5, 2018** with Iraqi Missionaries Pastor Jerry and Stacy Kramer with "Lovefortheleast". The need is great and the harvest is ripe! We will be mainly working at UN camps with the Syrian and Iraqi displaced people because of the Syrian crisis and ISIS. The Medical and Dental Teams are truly being Jesus's hands and feet by taking care of the least of our brothers. Each person is offered to be sent to our prayer team and over 90% of the time, they accept! The Lord is truly opening the doors to the Gospel.

The goal for us here is simple: to be Jesus for these people. *They are beautiful, kind, gracious and ferociously loyal. Just walk by one of their little homes and you'll be dragged in for tea. They will thank God for your coming. They will ask God's blessing on you. You will have a friend for life. And, yes, there are definitely radicals among the refugees in the Camp. That's the truth of it. And we're happy to share Jesus with them too.*

Our friend "M" is a single mom with two handicapped sons. One son, Sivan (see picture below with Pastor Jerry Kramer) is dying and has little time left. During one of our visits, a local colleague -- Syrian refugee -- asked us, "Do you know why she's crying?" He waited, insisting we answer. "It's NOT because her son is dying. It's because you came to be with her family. That's why. M is grateful for the love you show her and her family."

Luke 1-:2 "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

WILL YOU ANSWER THE CALL?

**For information on joining this worthy cause, contact Dr. Denise Callari:
denise_callari@uhc.com (underscore between Denise and Callari)**

VESTRY

Vestry does not meet in July or August.



BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD

Please put any suggestions for activities that we could have in the Dash's receipts bag on the Gift Shop door, or, call Lori Abramo at 838-1752. Don't forget to check out the Gift Shop. We are always getting new items.



Bundles for Babies: Cornerstone Manor can always use new and gently used baby items. Please mark them for Cornerstone and leave them at the Gift Shop.

THREADS OF HOPE: Please leave items for Threads of Hope at the Gift Shop, marked for Carol Siock. Small Appliances, dishes, linens, etc.



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

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

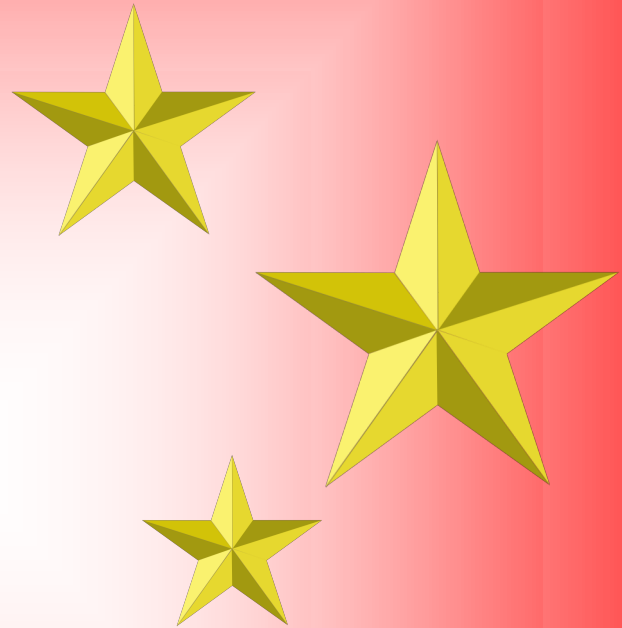
Anthony Prohaska– US Marines

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.**

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

We need YOUR help!

Invite your neighbors, friends, and co-workers to our special event "**We Care About You**", a health and safety event we will be holding here on **Saturday, September 30** from noon to 4pm. We will be having food trucks; a chalk art contest; Sheriffs present for car seat safety checks, Child ID, and Yellow Dot programs; free flu shots (with insurance card); and a St. Bart's Ministries Fair. **See Marley Smith if you can help (phone 400-2664).**

FAITH IN ACTION:

While camping at Presque Isle a few weeks ago, instead of enjoying just a lazy Sunday morning, we chose to also honor the Lord in prayers. Our neighbors were motioned to join in, and although they declined, they stayed on their porch watching and listening intently.

As our prayer service came to an end, we could hear the rain coming; it rained for about 5 minutes and none of us got wet because we were sheltered under the trees. I couldn't help thinking of God's covenant with Noah.

While we were heading toward the front door of the trailer, a butterfly appeared from nowhere, reminding some of us how very much we are loved from Heaven.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Dear Members of St. Bart's,

The new singing season is about to begin! Won't some of you please consider being a part of one of our choirs this year? You will be welcome, and fun is guaranteed. Below is the schedule for the **Senior Choir**.

Senior Choir will rehearse *every* Wednesday from 7-8:30 PM, and will resume Wednesday, September 6th. The **Senior Choir** sings for the 11:00 AM service. A love of singing is the only prerequisite.

Please join us! If you need more information, please feel free to see me at church, or contact me at mandtgamble@hotmail.com

Sincerely, Terry Gamble Organist/Choir Director



Attention all singers! Come try out our new **Contemporary Choir** at St. Bart's starting in the fall. We welcome all singers and all ages from 14 and up. If your child has "aged out" of junior choir, this is a great stepping stone into a more advanced choir with minimal time commitment. Rehearsals are scheduled for the 2nd Wednesday evening of each month from 6:00-6:45, beginning September 13 and singing will be on the 3rd Sunday of each month **at 9:15 am only**, beginning on September 17. Come praise the Lord with us together with some great music! Contact Eileen Arnold with any questions.



I would like to thank John Krull, Dn. Reitz, Kathleen Ward and all the many people that stepped up to the plate to make our picnic a great success! At 3 AM Sunday morning I looked out at the pouring rain and smiled because as I prayed for the Lord to bless our picnic, the clouds lightened and then turned to a gentle shower. By 7 AM the weather was glorious, and I was hoping for another Rainbow! Boy, did our parishioners put out a great picnic feast! God bless, Neal Hodgson

THANK
YOU!

FOOD PANTRY: 39 bags of food and personal products were donated in August. There is always a need. Please continue to be as generous as you can. Thank You.



Articles for the OCTOBER Chatter are due by September 19.

Thank you.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Prayer for Revival: Our next meeting will be **Monday, September 18th** at 7 PM in the Sanctuary. Please join us as we pray for the concerns facing our world, our nation, our community, and our church. Let us be a *CHURCH ON FIRE* for the Lord!



The **Love Life Walk** to support the **Northtown Pregnancy Center** will be held on **Saturday, September 23** from 9:00am to noon at Mang Park. PLEASE CONSIDER supporting this worthy cause - it is a family-friendly event with a short 1.2-mile walk, bounce houses, refreshments, and fellowship. Come get an update on how the LORD is active in this ministry and hear the praise report of the lives being saved through the assistance of our Church family! The Center needs your help to meet its operating costs and continue to serve our community in Christ's name! Please register and print a pledge form from their website (there will be a few in Fr. Amend Hall as well) <http://www.northtownpregnancycenter.com/love-life-walk.html> See Marley Smith if you have any questions (phone 400-2664).

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.

We meet every other Tuesday from 6:30pm to 8:00 pm. **September dates are 12 and 26.**

The in depth study of Genesis will continue, beginning with Chapter 12 and the call of Abram. Study materials are provided. A study Bible is helpful, but not necessary. We have found that a comparison of different views/opinions is quite interesting and educational, resulting in some interesting discussions!

See the Chatter and Parish Life for future meeting dates.
All women are welcomed —bring your Bible and a friend!!!

Questions? Call Louise Jones (716)874-0526



St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church is excited to have **BROTHERS McCLURG** in concert on **Friday, September 29, 2017 starting at 7:00 PM**, along with special guests Karl Penn and James Robert Kibby.

Tickets are \$10 pre-sale and \$15 at the door, and can be purchased through the Church Office.

You can contact the Church Office at
(716)-831-1777.



Church Picnic



FAMILY FUN DAY



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September Birthdays

September 1 Cameron Bohall,
Angelo Morgante

September 4 Julie Clementi, Beth Derschug

September 5 Robert Reuse

September 6 Emily Arnold

September 8 Debora Geis, Dn. Gary Wisniewski

September 9 Adrianna Gray, Donald Lonczak

September 11 Michael Bohall II,
Justine McCargo, Brayden Santora
Elizabeth Stacks

September 12 Olivia Giambanco

September 13 Joann Bush, Stella Sawicki

September 14 Dawn Glowonia, Danielle Hyland,
Damian 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

September 18 Carter Heacock, Theresa Klotzbir

September 19 Ethan Brown, Mary Gamble,
Alex Morgante

September 20 Lawrence Fenzel, Daniel Hart,
Alison Karelus,
Patrick McAndrews

September 21 Thomas Brown Jr., Eliana Craig,
Robert Henzler, Joseph Rudin

September 22 Michele Bainbridge

September 23 Jason Fish, Hayleigh Lilleck,
Mark Prohaska

September 24 Fr. Russell Amend,
Kimberly Atwood, Brian Lapp,
Kiersten Lapp, Nathan Lapp,
Aaron Machelor, Susan Rieman

September 26 Alana Bush, Kelsey Simon

September 27 Wilson Emmons Jr., Julia Sawicki

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



SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 4:30pm HE
3 8:00AM & 10:00AM HE	4 LABOR DAY Office closed	5	6 9:30am HE 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Sr. Choir	7 7pm Growing in Faith with Fr. Jerry Kramer	8 5:30pm Wedding Rehearsal 7pm Persecuted Church Event with Fr. Jerry & Stacy Kramer	9 2pm Holy Marriage 4:30pm HE 6:30pm CMDA Fusion Dinner
10 8, 9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS	11	12 6:30pm Women's Bible Study 7pm Vestry	13 9:30am HE 10:30am Bible Study 6pm Contemp Choir 7pm Sr. Choir	14 7pm Prayer Strategy Team Meeting	15	16 8am Men's Breakfast 4:30pm HE
17 8 & 10am HE 10am SS 10 am Dn. Thebeau's Ordination Noon-Luncheon	18 6pm BARRA 7pm Prayer for Revival	19 6:30pm Men's Discipleship	20 9:30am HE 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Sr. Choir	21	22	23 9:30am Confirmation Class 4:30pm HE
24 8,9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS 9:15 am Bible Study begins	25	26 6:30pm Women's Bible Study 6:30pm Men's Discipleship	27 9:30am HE 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Sr. Choir	28	29 7pm Brothers McClurg Concert	30 10:15 am Conf. Class Noon-4pm "We Care About You" Outreach Event 4:30pm HE

PERSECUTED CHURCH CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

Distributing Bibles, study materials and Christian music on digital music players or memory cards is an effective way of sharing God's Word without the risks associated with printed Bibles.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 SENEGAL Pray that the Senegalese will be open to the gospel, especially the younger generation.	4 MOROCCO Pray that believers will boldly share the gospel with others.	5 KENYA Pray that new Christians will remain faithful and that the church will continue to disciple them.	6 LIBERIA Pray for the children of Liberia who account for half the population, will place their trust in Jesus.	7 AZERBAIJAN Pray for church planting movements in the country.	8 TANZANIA Pray that attacks against Christians will stop, especially along the Somali coast and the islands.	9 PHILIPPINES (ORINDANAO) Pray that local Christians will trust the Lord in the face of Islamic attacks.
10 NEPAL Pray for LDCO children who are receiving their first children's Bible.	11 TANZANIA Pray for the protection of churches, ministers and missionaries threatened by al-Shabab in Pemba and Zanzibar.	12 MAURITANIA Pray for LDCO Bible translation work and for growth in literacy rates.	13 TURKEY Pray for the protection of believers, affected by vandalism and attacks.	14 COTE D'IVOIRE Pray for the victims and churches persecuted by militant Muslim attacks.	15 LIBYA Pray for the effectiveness of Christian outreach through satellite TV and the Internet.	16 AFGHANISTAN Pray that Islamic extremist groups like the Taliban will not oppress Muslims to hear and believe the gospel.
17 LAOS Pray for teenagers who are discovered by their families after becoming Christians.	18 MOROCCO Pray for the economic situation in Morocco, especially for its effect on believers.	19 MEXICO (SOUTHERN) Pray for Christian VOM workers who are actively working.	20 LEBANON Christians will persecute through difficult circumstances.	21 NEPAL Pray for more low workers help them minister on the Tibetan border.	22 UGANDA Pray for the new leaders elected last year.	23 PAKISTAN Pray that believers will reflect Christ's love and witness to those who are oppressed by Islamic extremists.
24 MALI Pray for unity between Malian churches and foreign churches and ministries as they witness.	25 LIBYA Pray for an end to human trafficking in Libya.	26 COTE D'IVOIRE Pray for evangelists persecuted by Muslim and animist beliefs.	27 NIGERIA Pray for the families of those who have been killed for their faith.	28 TURKEY Pray for a spirit of boldness in evangelism and Christians sharing the gospel.	29 SIERRA LEONE Pray that those scarred by the civil war (1997-2002) will be healed through faith in Christ.	30 BRUNEI Pray for believers who face hostility and persecution from the government and family members.

For updated prayers visit icommittopray.com



Laugh a Little

During his evening prayers, my five year old kept his unemployed uncle in his thoughts. "Please help Uncle Steve find a job that he's good at," he said, "like owning a cat."



It was the first time my four-year-old granddaughter had been to church. The celebrant came out, flanked by the lector and the deacon. My granddaughter leaned over and asked, "Which one is God?"



Every ten years, the monks in the monastery are allowed to break their vow of silence to speak two words. Ten years go by, and it's one monks first chance. He thinks long and hard before telling the head monk, "Food bad." Ten years later, it's his turn to speak again. This time he says, "Bed hard." A decade later, it's the big day again. The man gives the head monk a long stare and says, "I quit." "Well, I'm not surprised," the head monk says. "You've been complaining ever since you got here."

Points to ponder:

You know there is a problem with our education system when you realize that out of the three R's, only one actually begins with the letter R.



They say marriages are made in heaven. But so is thunder and lightning.

When you have bacon on your plate, it doesn't matter who's president.



Before you marry a person, you should make them use a computer with R-E-A-L-L-Y S-L-O-O-W internet service to see who they really are.

Be careful reading health books. You may die of a misprint.

