



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

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THE ONLY HOPE IN A WORLD OF TURMOIL AND UNCERTAINTY

The more things change, the more they stay the same. I am sure you have heard that statement before. It is true. Though our world is always changing with new technology, new leaders, new governments, and new fads, one thing remains the same: All people need the Lord Jesus Christ. Man's heart has not changed. The Bible tells us in **Jeremiah 17:9** that the human heart *is deceitful beyond all things and desperately corrupt*. Only a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ can truly change us into the people God has created to be. Such is our vision statement. But our mission is to see that vision realized in our own lives and in our community. Your membership in Christ's Body, the Church, is expressed through your belonging to St. Bartholomew's. We are a family. But we are a family on mission - to see every man, woman, and child in our region to be exposed to Christ's truth and love as many times possible. How do we do that? Recall our mission statement: *to share Christ's love and His Word through Christ-centered outreach, worship, prayer, and biblical study*. All are necessary if we are truly going to be faithful to our mission. So I ask you and every member of our parish family - How are you doing in those four areas of mission? Are you responding to the opportunities that are offered when they arise? Will you be found faithful when our Lord returns? **Speaking of His Return, don't forget the Revelation Bible Study continues every Friday at 7 PM through November 17! We will be looking at the identity of the Antichrist and final one world government during those Fridays.** Please join us and bring a friend!

In Christ,

Fr. Ward

St. Bart's Web Information

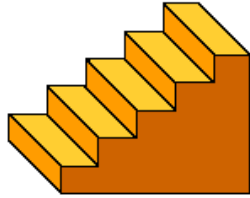
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Also see our [Facebook](#) page for more!



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VESTRY



Replacement of front concrete steps has been put off until next year. The cracks have been filled.

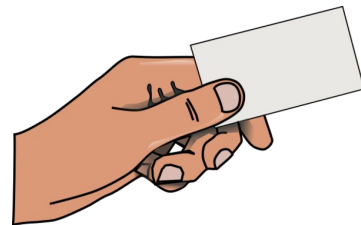
The Outreach Team did a great job on the "We Care About You" day on September 30, but we hope to attract more visitors next time! Are you letting your family, friends and neighbors know about our events?



The annual Church election for Vestry will be Saturday and Sunday, December 2-3.

Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas offerings will be received by the following ministries:

Northtown Pregnancy Center,
Kairos Prison Ministry,
Fr. & Mrs. Marc Jacobson, Anglican Missionaries, and
Hearts for the Homeless.



BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD



Annual Christmas and Bake Sale: November 18, 10 AM to 4 PM!

We would appreciate donations of any gently used Christmas items. They may be dropped off at the gift shop or brought in on the Friday before the sale.

There will be an insert in Sunday bulletins for baked donations. We would like some idea of what to expect the day of (or before) the sale. Call Carol Siock (716-835-2105) with any questions.

Any money raised is used for numerous charities in our community. There is a list of these on the shop door.

To date the Dash receipt program has netted \$1,875!!!! For every \$5000 in receipts, the Guild receives \$125. Thank you for saving those receipts - even the smallest purchase adds to the grand total!

Here's our calendar for the year:

Winter Soup Sale - Date to be announced

November 18 - Christmas Sale/Baked Goods Sale

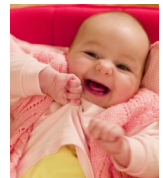
December 16 - Cookie Ingathering (Cookies for the Shut-in's)

March 10 - Lenten Brunch

June Banquet - Date to be announced



BUNDLES FOR BABIES: Please mark donations for Cornerstone Manor and leave them at the Gift Shop.



THREADS OF HOPE: Please bring small household items to the Gift Shop and mark them "Carol Siock".

Please continue to drop your Dash's receipts in the bag!



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.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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.

6:30-8:00 pm November 7 and 21, December 12

We will be continuing our study of Genesis and the Patriarchs.

Study materials are provided — just bring your Bible (a study Bible if you have one) Join us for fellowship, praise, friendship and learning—and have an enjoyable time as well.

Questions? contact Louise Jones 874-0526



THANKSGIVING DINNER

Will you be alone this Thanksgiving? Too much of a hassle flying at this time of year? Then why not consider having Thanksgiving Dinner at St. Bart's? Is your neighbor alone? Please consider inviting them to our dinner. Fellowship will be from 3pm to 8pm. Dinner will be served from 3:30pm to 5:30pm. Desserts served 4pm until we run out. Please sign up in the Fr. Amend Hall.



Any Questions? Please see Karon Cavalleri, Brenda Wisz, Bev Graber or Judi Curtis.

Special Soup Can Collection for the Food Pantry. Even if you are not attending please consider donating 2—4 cans per family. This is separate from the December Food Pantry collection.



Missionettes is open to all girls in Grades 1 through 5. They meet the first and third Wednesday of each month. (November 1 and 15) See or call Alana Bush if you have questions : 261-0423

FOOD PANTRY: 51 bags of food and personal products were donated in October. There is always a need. Please continue to be as generous as you can. Thank You.



Articles for the DECEMBER Chatter are due by November 21.

Thank you.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Prayer for Revival: Our next meeting will be **Monday, November 20** at 7 PM in the Sanctuary. Please join us as we *fast and pray* for the concerns facing our world, our nation, our community, and our church.



We will be collecting filled boxes for **Operation Christmas Child** through **Sunday, November 12**. Please prayerfully consider filling a box or two for a needy child as a way to share the love of Christ this season. You and the child recipient will be blessed.



St. Bartholomew's Church invites you to a Sign-Making Family Fun Event!

Signs cost:
\$13.00 for a
mini size or
\$20.00 for a
regular size

Sunday, November 12
2:00-4:30pm

St. Bartholomew's Church
2368 Eggert Road
Tonawanda, NY 14150

**Pre-registration
is required.**

Please sign up in
the Fr. Amend Hall by
Wednesday, November 8th
Call (716) 831-1777
for more information.

How it works:

* No Skill Required! * Three simple steps! *

- 1.) Select a vinyl saying (from over 50 choices!)
- 2.) Choose your paint color(s).
- 3.) Paint your board(s), learn how to apply the vinyl lettering and go home with a finished sign, ready to hang or give as a gift!



Julie Keck, independent Creator with Life Expressions Decor * jkeck@lifeexpressionsdecor.com * Facebook: "Décor by Julie"

Love for the Least (L4L) Advent Conspiracy:

Advent Conspiracy: Worship Fully, Spend Less, Give More, Love All

“And the King will say, ‘I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to ME!’ – Matthew 25:40

Advent Conspiracy is our annual Seasonal rebellion, putting Jesus back in Christmas, showing the difference He makes to a broken, hurting world. Advent Conspiracy sets us Christ followers apart as we Worship Fully, Spend Less, Give More and Love All. Practically, we reduce our normal spending on gifts, parties, food, etc. We then take these savings – ten percent for example – and use them to show Christ’s love among the poor and least in tangible ways.

This is L4L’s 8th annual Advent Conspiracy insurrection for Jesus. Last year, we provided large vans for two of our orphanages! For all three orphanages we provided Christmas toys, food and clothes; and L4L provided Christmas relief to refugees in Northern Iraq. **These were the ONLY food and gifts they received for Christmas.**

Our heart goal, once again, is to provide relief for the Christians refugees in Iraq as they are most underserved. The UN provides for the Muslims and Yezidi in the camps but not the Christians in the villages. We hope to bring the love of Christ to our brothers and sisters there.

The need among the refugees in Iraq is infinite. Last winter alone, 30 children froze to death because of lack of blankets...just heartbreaking. We’ll simply do the best we can by God’s grace and the help of our friends and partners, like St. Bartholomew’s Church. The more support, the more we can reach in Jesus’ Name. Please consider joining us in our annual Advent Conspiracy. The St. Bart’s team, who will be down at the end of December, will be distributing the gifts that **YOU** supplied! We will make sure to send pictures showing how **YOU** made this happen. Thank you for helping us share the Love of Jesus and being His Hands and Feet!

Send Tax-Deductible Mission Support to:

Missionary Support Services

Dept. A

P.O. Box 30428

Charlotte, NC 28230

(Please put **L4L Advent Conspiracy St. Bart’s** in the memo line).

Yours by Grace Alone,

Fr. Jerry and Stacy Kramer



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 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! **We will be working in Northern Iraq, which is under the control of the Kurd's and relatively safe.**

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)**

Northtown Pregnancy Center

Northtown Pregnancy Center is seeking to expand its Development Committee. Members of the development committee meet the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm at NPC. The committee is in charge of planning, facilitating, and executing fundraising and donor events and outreach (such as the annual birthday party, dance, banquet, walk, open house). Members meet to brainstorm ideas and create plans. Members help prepare for events in various ways by completing tasks outside of the meeting (examples include organizing event volunteers, reaching out for donations via phone calls, picking up needed items, planning and implementing specific components for events as needed). Time commitment includes the 1.5 hour meeting monthly plus some additional hours for outside tasks (which vary based on task, but are flexible in timing). Those interested should contact Liz, Development Coordinator at liz@northtownnpc.com.

Thank You



A reception was held for **Brielle Butterworth** to thank her for serving as our Youth Group Director the last few years. She is leaving us to pursue a new job with People, Inc. We wish her all the best.

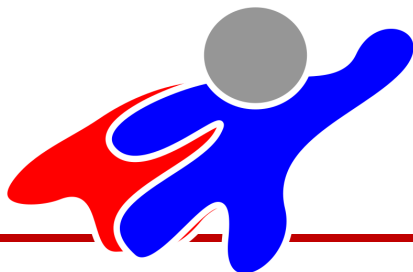


I'd like to express my gratitude to my St. Bart's Family for your support, prayers and encouragement during my knee surgery and shoulder issues. In September, Fr. Ward gave a sermon, "Serving Faith," and urged us to put our faith into practical application by helping others. You have exemplified his message through your acts of kindness and generosity! Thank you. You are loved and appreciated.

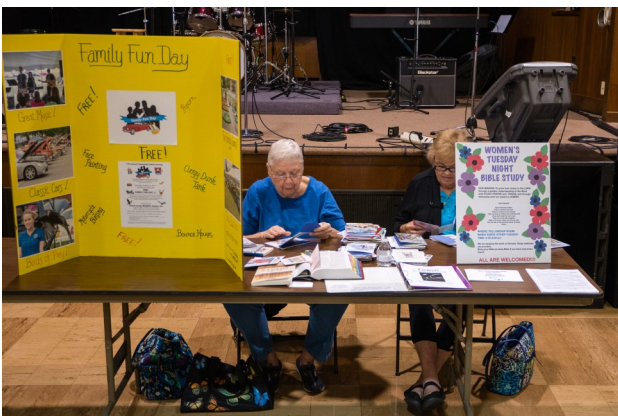
Brenda Wisz

Sunday School Super Hero Sunday

Our Sunday School celebrated Super Hero Sunday by dressing up as their favorite Super Heroes, playing games and doing crafts. All of this was planned by the middle schoolers and their teacher, Marley Smith. In the end they learned that the ultimate Super Hero is Jesus Christ and that He gives us the power through His word to be Super Heroes too!



“We Care About You” Event



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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, Karen Kristich,
Russell LaDuca, Caitlyn Siegel

November 12 James Glowonia, Diane Hyzy

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

November 14 Robert Boyle, Nancy Brylinski

November 16 Michael Hillery

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

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 LaDuca,
Tom Houston, Erin VanLente

December 1 Marcia Brock, Khloe Kibby

December 2 Lucas Fish

December 4 Thomas Slayton, Carolee Waite

December 5 Richard Herrmann,
Lindsay Tobin, Carol Woepfel



NOVEMBER



November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 8:9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS 9:15am Bible Study 5pm Pageant Rehearsal 7pm Prayer Strategy Mtg.	6	7 6:30pm Men's Disc. & Women's Bible Study 7pm Vestry	1 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 6pm Jr. Choir 6:45pm Youth Group & Missionettes 7pm Sr. Choir	2	3 7pm Revelation Bible Study	4 10:15am Conf. class 4:30pm HE
12 8:9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS 9:15am Bible Study 2pm Family Sign Making Event	13 6pm Pizza & Movie	14 6:30pm Men's Disc.	8 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study & Lunch 6pm Cont. Choir 6:45pm Youth Group 7pm Sr. Choir	9	10 7pm Revelation Bible Study	11 10:15am Conf. class 4:30pm HE
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26 8:9:15 & 11am HE 9:15 & 11am SS 9:15am Bible Study	27	28 6:30pm Men's Disc.	22 9:30am NO HE 10:30am Women's Bible Study 6:45pm Youth Group 7pm Sr. Choir	23 THANKSGIVING DAY 8 & 10am HE	24 11am Prayer for St. Bart's Vision & Mission	25 NO Conf. class 4:30pm HE

PERSECUTED CHURCH CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

A new believer in Southeast Asia is baptized by an evangelist. Often, new believers are kicked out of their villages or denied access to basic services like water and electricity.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5 QATAR Pray that God will send more Christian workers to Qatar.	6 INDONESIA Pray that front-line workers will know how best to share the gospel in the remote islands.	7 CHINA Pray for VOM's Bible distribution program and the printing of Christian literature.	8 SRI LANKA Pray for front-line workers who have chosen to leave the cities to minister in Buddhist strongholds.	9 CAMEROON Pray that the gospel will penetrate each of the 200 people groups.	10 IRAQ Pray that the Mosul Dam will not collapse and flood major cities.	11 INDIA Pray for the distribution of Scriptures on micro-SD cards in Rajasthan.
12 QATAR Pray that God will use believers from the Arabian Peninsula to preach the gospel to Qataris.	13 LIBERIA Pray that the love of Christ will bring reconciliation to this country after two civil wars.	14 INDIA Pray for the families of seven Christians imprisoned for their faith in Odisha.	15 VIETNAM Pray that front-line workers will be guided by the Holy Spirit to teach God's Word effectively.	16 YEMEN Pray for the spread of the gospel in western Yemen.	17 CAMEROON Pray for spiritual unity among churches in Cameroon.	18 SIERRA LEONE Pray that many will come to know Christ in this nation dominated by animistic sects and Islamic tradition.
19 VIETNAM Pray that those without access to printed Bibles will hear God's Word through radio and recorded media.	20 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Pray that UAE believers will grow in depth and number.	21 MALAYSIA Pray that Malaysian believers will be bold witnesses to their lost neighbors.	22 SAUDI ARABIA Pray that more Saudis will be exposed to Christian media on TV and radio.	23 BRUNEI Pray that Bruneian believers will grow as disciples despite opposition from the government and family members.	24 IRAQ Pray that tens of thousands of displaced Iraqi Christians will be able to return home soon.	25 AFGHANISTAN Pray that front-line workers will be bold and wise as they share the gospel and disciple new believers.
26 ETHIOPIA Pray for a revival of true faith in this land with 2,000 years of Christian history.	27 UZBEKISTAN Pray for VOM's efforts to provide tools for extending the evangelistic outreach.	28 UGANDA Pray for the effectiveness of children's ministry in predominantly Muslim areas.	29 COTE D'IVOIRE Pray for the maturity and discipleship of Christian converts who are disowned and persecuted by their tribes and villages.	30 KYRGYZSTAN Pray for VOM's efforts to provide training to local evangelists.		



The Voice of the Martyrs

For updated prayers visit [/committoprayer.com](http://committoprayer.com)

Laugh a Little

My daughter-in-law's office threw a Biggest Loser contest to see who could lose the most weight. Amy wasn't really interested but tossed her \$10 in to the pot anyway. When asked how much she planned to lose, Amy replied, "About \$10."



One day, when a man came home from playing golf, his wife had left a note on the fridge. "It's not working!" she wrote. "I can't take it anymore. Gone to stay with my mother." He opened the fridge. The light came on, and the beer was cold. He never did find out what she was talking about.

My grandson came home from kindergarten in tears. Asked what was wrong, he said, "The teacher told us to eat our popcorn and then we could read." Now sobbing, he continued, "I ate all the popcorn, and I still can't read!"



A customer was complaining to a store supervisor about the employees. He was spouting off about how terrible everyone was, and insisting that the store must only hire idiots. The supervisor looked him in the eye and asked, "Would you like an application?"



What's the difference between a cat and a comma? One has claws at the end of its paws and the other is a pause at the end of a clause.