



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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ARE YOU A PRAYER WARRIOR FOR THE LORD?

We have been doing a sermon series seeking to answer the question of how one becomes a prayer warrior for Christ.

The most important calling on one's life is developing your prayer life. Why? It is the way we grow in our relationship with the Lord. Prayer is communication with God by listening and speaking to Him. Our prayer life should be informed by God's Word on a daily basis. It should be consistent and also be a time to pray for the needs of others (intercession). The Lord doesn't just want us to be individual prayer warriors, He wants St. Bartholomew's to be a family of prayer warriors committed to prayer together with the greater Body of Christ. If you are interested in developing your prayer life and possibly ministering through intercessory prayer, please join us for a training session led by **Fr. Ward on Feb.10 from 10 AM - Noon**. There is a sign-up sheet in Fr. Amend Hall. I look forward to seeing you then!

In Christ,
Fr. Ward

Note: LENT begins FEB. 14th with Ash Wednesday services at 6:45 AM; 9:30 AM; and 7 PM! The Lenten Friday Night Bible Study begins Feb. 16 at 7 PM with a cover-dish dinner at 6 PM. Fr. Ward will continue his study on The Book of Revelation! PLEASE BRING A LOVED ONE and JOIN US!!!



St. Bart's Web Information

www.stbartston.org

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



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VESTRY

New vestry members, Rocco Brindisi, Tom Brown, Bob Hughes and Cheryl MacDonald were commissioned at the Sunday services on January 21, 2018 along with the other members of the vestry. Jim Thompson will serve as Senior Warden and Jim Glownia will be our Jr. Warden.

Please remember to send in your 2018 pledge cards.

Erik Ticen has been hired as our communications consultant for the month of January. He will be making recommendations on how to better promote St. Bart's after attending each service as well as making observations of our day-to-day operations.

Please welcome our newest staff member, Liz Burkett. She has taken on the role of "Youth and Family Ministry Director"



2018 VESTRY

From Left to Right: Jim Thompson, Jim Glownia, Rich Heer, Cheryl MacDonald, Bob Hughes, Tom Brown Jr., Diane Moyer, Jim Hyzy, Lori Abramo, Jeff Westerman, Rob Derrett and Rocco Brindisi



BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD

Thanks to all those who that have been supporting the Gift Shop with their donations and those that have been buying them.

Here's our calendar for the year:

Winter Soup Sale - Date to be announced

March 10 - Lenten Brunch

June Banquet - Date to be announced



BUNDLES FOR BABIES: Please mark any donations for "Cornerstone Manor" because we occasionally have baby items for sale in the Gift Shop.

THREADS OF HOPE: Please bring linens, kitchen items and small appliances in good condition to the Gift Shop and mark them "Carol Siock".



DON'T FORGET TO DROP YOUR DASH'S RECEIPTS 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:**

Katherine Boy-US Marines

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 study of Genesis will continue. But going verse by verse we are acquiring an admiration of the Patriarchs and the times during which they lived. Come join us for a time of learning, fellowship, pray and praise --- bring your Bible, a study Bible if you have one. Our February meetings will be on Feb. 6 and Feb. 20, 6:30-8:00pm. We meet in the small fellowship room.



Prayer for Revival: Our next meeting will be **Monday, February 19** 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. **Let's make EVERY MONDAY a day of Fasting and Prayer!**



FOOD PANTRY: **31** bags of food and personal products were donated in January. There is always a need. Please continue to be as generous as you can. Thank You.

St. Bart's Travel Group invites you to attend a BPO Concert with the Glenn Miller Orchestra Friday, February 16 at 9am at Kleinhan's. Tickets are \$33 each. Sign up in the Fr. Amend Hall or call Brenda Wisz at 832-6684 for more information.



REMINDER: The Outreach Committee is always looking for Faith in Action articles. Submit your articles to Caroline Rudin.

Articles for the **MARCH** Chatter are due by **February 13**.
Please note this is one week earlier than usual.

Thank you.

A Letter from Fr. & Mrs. Molison

THANK YOU !!!

The use of the above two simple words to convey our huge deep heart-felt gratitude seems quite inadequate. From the fullness of our hearts, Barbara and I thank everyone for making Sunday, the 7th of January's celebration of retirement, the awesome event it was. To the Altar Guild, Choir, Acolytes, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Deacons, Priests, and to the humbling large numbers attending, "God Bless you!"

To Fr. Ward, "Wow!" The address given by you meant so much to Barbara, my family, to me, and very well received by parishioners and friends as well. The historic incidents told hit their mark. Thank you for the awesome tribute.

And the video from Bishop Atwood, indeed, a very pleasant surprise! His message truly deeply touched Barbara and me. We are blessed to have him as our Bishop.

To Dn. Reitz and his crew, thank you for the video work. When Barbie and I watched it at home, the impact of the significance of the morning truly hit us. The video given to us contains a lifetime of memories. Thank you!

To the Secretaries - JoAn, Cathy, Karen, the church's first line of "offense" and "defense," thank you for your never-failing professionalism and warm assistance in making coming to "work" such a joy and blessing. The parish is blessed with your presence.

A special "Thank You" to David and Judy Curtis for the luncheon arrangements. No detail was overlooked! It is my understanding that everyone enjoyed the food so much that there was very little left over. Good planning! To those who assisted you - I know there were many - "Thank you!"

And finally, to the whole body of Christ known as St. Bartholomew's, you indeed are a true and awesome blessing to our family and to me personally. Your warm spiritual support given to my ordained ministry is deeply noted and will remain with me for my lifetime. As stated before, Barbara and I will continue to be members of the parish family and participate in its events. Your shared love will always abide within us. Love to you all...

God Bless you and keep you, God make His face to shine upon you and give you His peace. Amen.

Fr. Richard and Barbara Molison

Fr. Molison's Retirement Service



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**Welcome our new Director of Children's
and Youth Ministries, Mrs. Elizabeth Burkett
(Miss Liz)**





February Birthdays

February 1 Joseph Albrecht Jr.

February 2 Allison Hillery

February 3 Barbara Chiaravelle,
Samantha Crane, Brittany Wilkowski

February 4 Carol Brock, Dorothea Haas,
Janice Incorvaia, Connie Prohaska

February 5 Eric Brylinski

February 6 Eugenio Forte

February 7 Anthony Brunner, Ann Camp,
Earl Farley, Jr.

February 8 David Saunders

February 9 Michael Chiaravalle, Linda Doran,
Conner Moyer, Theresa Shipman

February 10 Judy Curtis, Winifred Gilham,
Lauren Gradzewicz,
Maddalena Prohaska, Constance Sander

February 11 Colleen Reichard, Jason Simon,
Evelyn Stacks

February 12 James Borsellino,
Matthew Fildes, Mike Hilliker,
Nancy Hunter

February 13 Colton Machelor

February 14 Anthony Horvath

February 15 Emma Hillery

February 17 Michael Bergamasco,
Anthony Matteliano, Peter Militello, Jr.

February 18 Jillian Meacham, Mark Rieman

February 19 Donald Symons

February 20 Mary Gray, Sharon Tarapata,
Corrine Welch, AnnaLee Wilkinson

February 21 Marie Crosby, Minor McCorkle

February 22 Tyler Delisanti, Brooke Ganci,
Russell Kopp, James Lobdell

February 23 Laina Morgante, Lorna Williams

February 24 Heather Kopp

February 25 Kristopher Attwood,
Brenna Luckoski, Robert Small

February 26 Davis Uptegrove,
Deborah Zurzuski

February 27 Scott Socha

February 28 Sonia Delisanti, Jessica Passino

March 1 Tina Gwizdowski

March 2 Evan Dake, Albert Prout,
Morgan Simon

March 3 Lynn Farley, Michael Hoy,
Mary Montanari

March 4 Janet McPherson, Richard Storey

March 5 Donna Daniele, Rosemary Taber

★ HAPPY ★
BIRTHDAY!

If you notice a mistake in the birthday list please call (831-1777) or email the secretaries: secretaries@stbartston.org

February 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 10:15am Conf. Class 4:30pm HE
4 8, 9:15, & 11AM HE 9:15 & 11:00AM SS 9:15am Bible Study 1pm New Members Class	5	6 6:30pm Men's Disc. & Women's BS 7pm Vestry	7 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's BS 6pm Jr. Choir 6:45pm Missionettes & Youth Group 7pm Sr. Choir	8	9 6:30pm Rivendell Celebration Night	10 10am Prayer Ministry Training 10:15am Conf. Class 4:30pm HE
11 8, 9:15, & 11AM HE 9:15 & 11:00AM SS 9:15am Bible Study 1pm New Members Class	12	13 6:30pm Men's Disc.	14 ASH WEDNESDAY 6:45am & 9:30am HE 10:30am Women's BS 6pm Cont. Choir 6:45pm Youth Group 7pm HE	15	16 6pm Covered Dish Dinner 7pm Fr. Ward's Friday Night Bible Study "Revelation"	17 8am Men's Breakfast 10:15am Conf. Class 4:30pm HE
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FEBRUARY

Pray that God's Word will help these Nepali Christians stand firm under persecution.

PERSECUTED CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
4 AZERBAIJAN Pray for outreaches and ministry to the nearly 1 million displaced people in Azerbaijan.	5 BHUTAN Pray for Christians smuggling Bibles into Bhutan.	6 CUBA Pray that government officials who are opposed to the gospel will allow it to be shared freely.	7 BANGLADESH Pray for front-line workers receiving discipleship training.	8 SOMALIA Pray for secret believers who do not have fellowship with other believers.	9 IRAQ Pray for Iraqi churches, which are reaching out to more than 3 million refugees and displaced people.	10 OMAN Pray that God will lead evangelists to the right people.
11 KENYA Pray for the healing of those affected by terrorist attacks.	12 TANZANIA Pray for those helping distribute Bibles.	13 MALI Pray for four brothers who were arrested at Sikasso because of their witness for Christ.	14 TUNISIA Pray for house churches in Tunisia.	15 SUDAN Pray that Christian leaders will have access to training.	16 MAURITANIA Pray that God will soften the hearts of those persecuting Christian family members.	17 KUWAIT Pray that more members of the royal family will embrace Jesus as their savior.
18 INDIA Pray that Christians attending a persecution conference will be encouraged and comforted.	19 LIBYA Pray for the protection and growth of an online church for Libyans.	20 COLOMBIA Pray for churches in the red zones, especially those that have been closed by rebel groups.	21 AZERBAIJAN Pray for pastors who are unable to find jobs after being imprisoned because of their faith.	22 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Pray that missionaries in the UAE will see more fruit from their efforts.	23 SRI LANKA Pray for the printing and distribution of Christian resources in Sinhalese.	24 OMAN Pray that God will soften the heart of the Sultan of Oman for the gospel.
25 MALAYSIA Pray that more Malays will be open to the gospel.	26 CHINA Pray for the nearly 100 million Christians who attend illegal house churches.	27 AFGHANISTAN Pray that through Bible distributions, the Word will touch many hearts in Afghanistan.	28 CUBA Pray for the means to get Bibles and Christian literature into Cuba.			



The Voice of the Martyrs

For updated prayers visit icommitpray.com.

You might be as old as Methuselah if:

Your knees go out more often than you do.

You can remember when the neighborhood was just fields.

A game of checkers leaves you winded.

You remember when the Dead Sea was only sick.

Elevator music brings back fond memories.

Everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt, doesn't work.

