



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

JULY 2023

Congratulations to our 2023 Confirmation Class!



L-R seated: Dn. Wisniewski, Fr. Bush, Bishop Atwood, Fr. Ward, Dn. Kibby

L-R second row: **John Setera (St. Peters—Forestville) Linda Miller,
Claudia Fries, John Matuch**

L- R back row: **Molly Delisanti, Susan Crofts, Sarah Delisanti, John Crofts,
Margaret Bukkosy, Albert Matuch, Tyler Delisanti (acolyte)**

St. Bart's Web Information

www.stbartston.org

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***Congratulations to James Kibby on His
Ordination to the Diaconate!***



L-R Seated: Fr. Bush, Deacon James Kibby, Bishop Atwood, Fr. Ward

L-R Standing: Fr. Molison, Fr. Kodi, Dn. Reitz, Fr. Kuku, Fr. Wandel, Dn. Wisniewski



VESTRY

June 2023 Chatter Notes

The Vestry would like to congratulate Jim Kibby on his ordination to the Diaconate. Although Jim will continue his duties as St. Bart's Sexton, he will now additionally serve as a Deacon. We would also like to congratulate those who were newly confirmed along with the three individuals who reaffirmed their confirmation vows (see front page photo).

As Bishop Atwood mentioned during his visit on June 10 and 11, he will not be retiring as Bishop in 2024 but has been asked by the ACNA to continue to serve as bishop at least until 2025. Our diocese can continue at least until that time. Therefore, although the Vestry has formed a *Discernment Committee* to research other dioceses for possible transfer of membership of our parish, we are in no need to make a decision at this time.

All are invited to attend the annual church picnic on July 23rd, after a joint service with the Sudanese Congregation at an 11 AM service. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Dn. Jim Kibby who is overseeing the picnic.

The Vestry normally does not meet during the months of July and August. However, if you have any concerns, questions, or thoughts, please feel free to approach a vestry member before or after a service. They will be the ones with wearing a name tag with the designation—"Vestry." In the meantime, the Vestry will keep you in their thoughts and prayers for a safe, happy and healthy summer!



Dear Lord, So far today I've done all right. I haven't gossiped, cursed, or lost my temper. I haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or over indulgent. I am really glad about these things. BUT, in a few minutes, Lord, I am going to get out of bed, and from then on, I'm probably going to need a lot more help!



Thank you, Jesus. Amen

**DEADLINE FOR THE AUGUST CHATTER
is Tuesday, July 18 Thank you.**

THANK YOU

*"For I have come to have much joy and comfort in your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you,"
(Philemon 1:7)*

Kristie and I would like to thank everyone for their cards, gifts, and well-wishes. We cannot describe how honored we are to be a part of this St. Bart's family, and for me to now serve you as a deacon! I pray that my ministry will express the same amount of love and hospitality that you have shown me and my family over the years. God bless you all!

-Dcn. Jim

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Please keep those from our Parish Family who are serving our country in the Armed Forces in your prayers. Please let the church office know if there is anyone that should be added to or removed from this prayer list.

Virginia Boy– Navy

Andrew Rebl– Army

James Kerins– Army

Matthew Prohaska– Air Force



FOOD PANTRY: Remember that we collect for the Food Pantry the **first weekend of every month. NICAP** is so appreciative, as we are the **ONLY** large-scale



givers they have. Please remember that they also can use personal care items, paper products and soap, etc..

Let's continue to show them our generosity.

Prayer Night

**Thursday, July 20 at
7pm**



Our annual church picnic will be held

Sunday July 23rd after the 11AM service.

Help is needed. Please see Deacon Kibby for more information or to volunteer to help.

***NOTE the special 11am time for the
2nd Sunday service.***



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Ladies that run the Sunday Coffee Hour

are asking for some help. Please consider donating a bag/box of cookies, crackers, pretzels, etc., once in a while. And remember to thank them for serving you each week.



Hello St. Bart's Free Exchange

users. This is just a reminder to keep the bulletin board neat and useful, and to remove your postings where you have already given the item away. If you have a posting that has been up for a long time, and you still have the item, please consider taking down the posting, to make room for new items. Thanks for your help and for using the **Free Exchange** board.



Men's Tuesday Night Discipleship will be ending for the summer on June 27 and will resume on or about September 5. We have 4 more lessons from Mark Correll on Proverbs and then we will be starting something new. Maybe the next season of "The Chosen" will be out by that time.

We are not totally disbanding for the summer, just changing our direction. As we did last summer we will be having **Dinner Under the Tent** for Tuesday nights during July and August. We will be starting at 6pm and going on until 7:30 or 8:00 or 9:00; basically until we have run out of stuff to discuss that night. All men of the parish and their male friends are invited. You do need to bring your own dinner, and whatever you want to drink. Anything said at Dinner Under the Tent is kept under the tent. So come and join us on Tuesday nights.



We do still have our weekly **Tuesday Lunch Bunch**, if you are interested in that. We go to a different restaurant every week, so I need to get your cell phone number, so that we can let you know on Monday where we are going that week. We always meet outside at Noon and go in as a group.

For more information give me a call at 716-868-6328 and ask for John Krull. Or give Deacon John Reitz a call at 716-867-8263.



Thank you to everyone that donated linens to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Your support will help provide a bed for a child in Buffalo who need one. Because of your kindness, a child who might otherwise be sleeping on the floor, is getting a good night's rest tonight in a new bed!

“No Kid sleeps on the floor in our town”

Don't forget about the upcoming program for children ages 6 and up who would enjoy playing in the Orff Orchestra. Three rehearsal sessions are planned starting July 30 with a performance at the 10:00 A.M. Sunday morning service on August 20. The group will rehearse right after the services for 30 minutes. The children must attend all three rehearsals to be successful. Please sign up by July 16th! The signup sheet is on the cabinet near the choir room door! Or see me!



Vacation Bible School 2023

COKESBURY'S

HERO HOTLINE

Called Together
to Serve God!



July 9th - 12th

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Family Dinners 5:15pm

To register go to stbartston.org

July Birthdays

- 2 Carl Hoffman, Carolyn Oliveri
- 3 Caleb Chiaravalle
- 4 Joseph Fisher, Denise Stacks
- 6 Brenda Wisz
- 7 Ishmeal Nordee
- 8 Terry Gamble, Ross J. Tobin
- 10 Joseph Szalay, Fred Teall
- 12 Roy Brinkerhoff, Evelyn Fisher,
Adam Morgante
- 13 Emily Decker, Raymond Hooch,
Dn. John Reitz
- 14 Debi Calabrese, Gianna Clontz,
Susan LaDuca, Janet Spence
- 15 Lisa Johnson, Gregory Tedesco Sr.
- 16 Jackie Lukasz, Johanna Vaccaro
- 19 Rita Kissel, Carolyn Lade,
Margaret McAndrews
- 21 Rick Herrmann
- 22 Desiree Donhauser, Dortha LaDuca,
Paul Stagg
- 23 Joseph Covella, Gary Galbreath,
Peter Van Lente

25 Mark Begovich, Elizabeth Burkett,
Charity Nordee

26 Michelle Brindisi, Andrew Hillery Jr.

27 Michael Brylinski, Chase Clontz,
Emily Emmons, Karen Kopper,
Adomale Nordee

29 Eileen Arnold

30 Ross M. Tobin, Kathryn Sam,
Michael Tarapata

31 Janice Casiano



AUGUST

- 1 Nicholas Weber, Mike Wisz
- 4 David Merrick, Drusilla Waterman
- 5 Elaine Wisniewski
- 6 Carie-Jo Cleary, Tochukwu Ezeagwuna

If you notice a mistake in the birthday list please call (716) 831-1777 or email
the secretaries: secretaries@stbartston.org

JULY CALENDAR

JULY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						¹ 4:30 pm HE
² 8 & 10 am HE 11:45am Young Adults Bible Study (LAST)	³	⁴ Independence Day (Office Closed)	⁵ 9:30 am HE	⁶	⁷	⁸ 4:30pm HE
⁹ 8 & 10 am HE 6pm VBS	¹⁰ 6pm VBS	¹¹ 6pm VBS	¹² 9:30 am HE 6pm VBS	¹³	¹⁴	¹⁵ 11am-3pm Altar Guild Lunch 4:30 pm HE
¹⁶ 8 & 10 am HE	¹⁷ 645p BARRA	¹⁸	¹⁹ 9:30 am HE	²⁰ 7pm Prayer Night	²¹	²² 4:30 pm HE
²³ 8 & 11 am HE Church Picnic NOTE TIME CHANGE to 11 am	²⁴ KINGDOM BOUND Begins	²⁵ KINGDOM BOUND	²⁶ KINGDOM BOUND 9:30 am HE	²⁷	²⁸	²⁹ 4:30 pm HE
³⁰ 8 & 10 am HE	³¹					

PERSECUTED CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

SUNDAY		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOTES: <i>July</i>							
2	VIETNAM Pray that authorities will stop asking recognized congregations to disclose their activities and teachings.	3	PHILIPPINES Pray that Muslims will turn to faith in Christ in great numbers.	4	KUWAIT Pray for believers who are forced to leave their families because of their Christian faith.	5	UZBEKISTAN Praise the Lord that the church has seen a slight degree of increased freedom.
6	YEMEN Pray for creative ways to get ministry resources into the country.	7	TURKMENISTAN Pray that believers will maintain a courageous witness despite intimidation.	8	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Pray that Emirati believers will have more opportunities to meet openly, without fear of opposition.	9	BRUNEI Praise God that Christians are baptized despite government persecution.
10	IRAN Pray that those conducting covert Bible studies will not be detected by authorities.	11	SYRIA Pray that relaxed government restrictions will result in a great number of new Syrian believers.	12	MOZAMBIQUE Pray for the 16,000 displaced Christians receiving emergency food relief this year.	13	CAMEROON Pray that believers will bear one another's burdens as a witness of Christ's love.
14	LAOS Pray that families will be delivered from worshipping false spirits to worshipping God.	15	ISRAEL Pray for jobs for Ethiopian immigrants who embrace Jesus and experience discrimination.	16	IRAQ Pray for the courage of new Christians, who often are persecuted by Muslim family members.	17	NIGERIA Pray that nominal believers will repent and trust Christ.
18	MYANMAR (BURMA) Pray that Buddhist monks involved in persecution against Christians will come to know Christ.	19	MALI Pray that every Christian will have access to the Bible in his or her native language.	20	TURKIYE Pray that a policeman "protecting" a pastor during church services will be touched by the gospel.	21	JORDAN Pray that Christians will receive approval to open church facilities and meet without surveillance.
22	NEPAL Pray that persecution will embolden Christians to continue their witness for Christ.	23	COLOMBIA Pray that churches closed by paramilitary groups will find ways to gather for worship.	24	TANZANIA Pray that God's Word will speed ahead of Christians working in dangerous areas (2 Thess. 3:1-3).	25	LEBANON Pray that the economic crisis will give Christians opportunities to share the hope of the gospel.
26	MALDIVES Pray that God will call more laborers to the harvest fields in this Islamic stronghold.	27	KYRGYZSTAN Pray for Christians in Kyrgyzstan, using Ephesians 6:19-20 as a guide.	28	BURKINA FASO Pray for churches in the north whose congregations fled after recent Islamist attacks.	29	CUBA Pray for the peace of those who have been denied education and jobs for following Christ.
30	UGANDA Pray for Christian converts receiving vocational training after being rejected by their families.	31	NORTH KOREA Pray that God will sustain the estimated 30,000 Christians imprisoned for their faith.	<p>"I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me."</p> <p>—John 17:20-21</p>			

Happy 4th of July



What do you call a duck on the 4th of July?

A fire-quacker

Why aren't there any Knock-knock jokes about America?

Because freedom rings!!

Where was the Declaration of Independence signed?

At the Bottom.

Do they have a 4th of July in England?

Yes, it's how they get from July 3rd to July 5th.

What dance was popular in 1776?

The Indepen-dance!

What's the difference between a duck and George Washington?

One has a bill on its face and the other has his face on a bill.

What kind of tea did the American colonists like?

Liber-tea!

What did King George think of the American colonists?

He thought they were revolting!