



# 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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### **WE CAN'T DO THIS ALONE!**

Have you ever felt alone or lonely? Well, you're not the only one! Feeling alone and loneliness are part of being human. Such feelings can happen to anyone. Even if surrounded by family and other people you can still feel lonely. Long before the Pandemic, many sociologists were writing and doing studies on what was being called the loneliness epidemic. And if it was a problem before the COVID, the Pandemic has made it worse. It has increased our isolation – from being quarantined, to social distancing, to dying without family present.

While social media, the internet, and our cell phones have brought more interaction on the one hand, it has really made us more isolated and alone on the other. The truth is that you can't adequately replace person to person contact! God created us for interpersonal communication through real face-to-face relationships. It is why God declared to Adam that *"it is not good for you to be alone"* as He created Eve. But that principle, *it is not good for you to be alone* - is not only for the marriage relationship, it is for everyone. The simple fact that we are born into a family bears this out.

It is why we read in **Ecclesiastes 4:9-12:** ***"Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken."***

Strengthening our family relationships and Christian fellowship are instrumental in preventing isolation and loneliness. When our relationships with Christ and those whom we love are strong, we will never feel alone! So, during these unprecedented and challenging times, may we seek to mend and build relationships at home, at work, and at church. Let us spend time together breaking open God's Word in small group Bible Studies and take time to fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ. May our friendly smiles and warm handshakes with others, be a reminder that we can't do this (life) alone!" We need the Lord and each other.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Ward

St. Bart's Web Information

[www.stbartston.org](http://www.stbartston.org)

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



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# VESTRY

## September 2021

Bishop Atwood's Visit will be from October 1-3, 2021.

New Sign: The new electronic sign on Eggert Rd. should be completed in October. A "Blessing Ceremony" will be given after the sign is completed.

Local First Responders Luncheon: Due to COVID, the luncheon is postponed until January 2022.

Terry Gamble Is Temporarily Back: Terry Gamble led the "new" 20-member choir. He will continue to do so along with playing the organ through the end of the year. Jim Kibby & Eileen Arnold will lead the contemporary choir. In the meantime, Fr. Ward will continue look for Terry's replacement.

Future Strategies & Vision: The first of the assessments is being finalized.

**Deadline for the  
November CHATTER  
is Tuesday,  
October 19th.  
Thank you.**

Don't shine  
so others  
can see you?  
SHINE  
so that  
through you  
others can see  
HIM.  
-C.S. Lewis



# FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Remember **Threads of Hope** as you are cleaning around your home. They are always in need of gently used kitchen items and small appliances, bedding, towels, etc. Bring items to be donated to the Gift Shop and label them for Threads of Hope.



**The Gift Shop is open.** Stop by after church to shop, or drop off items to be sold. **Volunteers are needed to help. See Danett Utz or any Gift Shop worker.**



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 25 AT 6:30PM**

*Volunteers Needed*



St. Bart's is blessed to have a large church family, and like all large families, sometimes the members encounter situations where they could use the help of others. When they've experienced a death in the family, a disabling illness, or birth of a child, often a few meals are greatly appreciated.

I need YOUR HELP to meet the needs among our parishioners. My goal is to have a group of 30 or more volunteers who are willing to **occasionally** make a meal when one of the above needs is brought to the attention of the church office. Having a large group of volunteers will lessen the number of times any one person is called on to help.

Please **prayerfully** consider participating in this valuable ministry. If you're interested, or need more information as to how this will be implemented, please see or call **Brenda Wisz** at 832-6684.

Thank you.



# 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*

*Amanda Brzeczowski– Reserves*

*James Kerins– Army*

*A.J. Matteliano– Army*

*Matthew Prohaska– Air Force*

*Andrew Rebl– US Army*



**Food  
Collection**

## FOOD PANTRY:

Remember, we collect for the Food Pantry the first weekend of every month. Leave your bags in the front hall as you enter the building.

Or, consider making a financial donation to:

**North Tonawanda Food Pantry**

**100 Ridge Road**

**North Tonawanda, NY 14120**

# BIBLE STUDIES

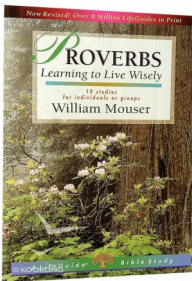
## Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study

Our mission is to grow ever closer to the Lord through better understanding of His Word with study, prayer and praise, and through fellowship with our sisters in Christ.

**We meet every other Tuesday, October 12 and 26, 6:30-8:00 pm in the Large Fellowship Room**

We are currently studying the book of **Esther**. Study materials are provided, but bring your Bible - a study Bible if you have one. We would love to have you join us for fellowship and the study of God's word.

**Questions: call Louise Jones at 874-0526**



**Wednesday morning Women's Bible Study meets at 10:30am. We are currently studying the book of Proverbs. Contact Barbara Molison for more information. All women are welcome to join us.**



**Men's Discipleship meets every Tuesday at 6:30pm . All men of the church are encouraged to join us. See John Krull for more information.**

The next **Men's Breakfast** will be **Saturday October 16** at 9am. All men are invited. Questions? Contact John Krull.



# Generation Next News

## October 2021

### Events For grades 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>

**Wednesdays**— from 6:30-8:00pm. A time of interactive Bible lessons and fun games.

**Christmas Pageant Auditions** October 17th during 10am Sunday School Hour. If interested contact Miss Liz.

**October 20th**—Help Set up for Fall Fest at 6:00pm. No regular youth group that night

**October 22nd**—Fall Festival Heroes Unmasked! 6-7:30pm. Volunteers to arrive at 5:30pm

**November 19th** Lasertron Event 6-8pm cost is \$20 and is due by the 17th.

**No Generation Next**— November 24th due to Thanksgiving

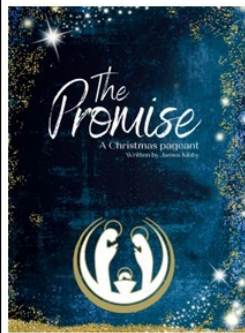
**Save the Date: December 15**—Salvation Army Bell Ringer Servant Event 6:30-8:30pm

**For more information contact:**  
Liz Burkett (Director of Christian Education)  
Call or text me at —716-861-9911  
Email - [dce@stbartston.org](mailto:dce@stbartston.org)

Hi everybody, We had a great time at our first two youth events. The scavenger hunt was a lot of fun as we went around town posing for some crazy Pictures as you can see below!  
Our Escape room Event was also a fun competition between two great teams.!



On October 22nd is our Fall Festival at the church where families will have fun as they go to interactive stations featuring crafts and games to help families discover some of the greatest heroes from the Bible and experience God's love. If you haven't already signed up to help and would like to volunteer at this event please contact me.



Auditions for the Christmas Pageant called 'The Promise' which tells the story of Christ's birth pointing back to stories of the Old Testament, showing how Jesus is the fulfillment of the promises made by God to send a Messiah to save us from our sins. Auditions will be held on Sunday October 17th during our 10am Sunday School Hour. When you

audition for a part in the Pageant and will be asked to perform a few lines from your desired role. If you are interested in participating in the pageant please contact me and I will send you a script for auditions.

For our Lasertron Event we will meet at the event center on N Bailey Avenue at 5:45pm. Pickup will also be at Lasertron. We will be doing two events Laser Tag and Cyber-sport. Pizza will also be provided.



We will be delivering Tim Hortons Hot Coco and Timbits to the Tonawanda and North Tonawanda Salvation Army Kettle Volunteers to show how much we care about those who are out there in the cold working to help those in need.



We will need a few vehicles to go to the various Kettle Locations, so if you can drive please let me know.

Hope you can join us for these great events  
In Christ, Liz

THE ALL-FUN NO-FEAR BIBLE ADVENTURE!

# HEROES UNMASKED®



**AMAZING!** Fun for the whole family!

**GAMES ~ PRIZES ~ CANDY ~ SAFETY**

**LOCATION:** St. Bartholomew's Fall Fest  
2368 Eggert Road Tonawanda

**DATE & TIME:** Friday, October 22nd  
6:00-7:30pm

To register go to [www.stbartston.org/events](http://www.stbartston.org/events)



**Join us for Resound!**

**Sunday November 14th @ 6:30 p.m.**

Resound! is a night of worship and praise lead by our contemporary music ministry team. It is a refreshing time as we gather together to bless the Lord with our songs to Him.

*"Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;  
let the sea resound, and all that is in it." - Psalm 96:11*

# OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Ephraim Bush, Scott Stolz
- 2 Victoria Smith
- 3 Dona Fenzel, Elaine Kyser,  
Shaw Freeman
- 4 Alessia Craig, Pamela Fish,  
Sarah Hillery, Joanna Jones
- 6 Mary Callea, Andrew Kyser,  
Benjamin Wojnowski
- 7 Karen Wheaton
- 8 Abigail Weber, Juliet Wilkowski,  
Mark Wojnowski
- 10 Jessica Johnson, Timothy VanLente
- 11 Robert Derrett Jr., Micah Gray,  
Art Ward Sr., Betty Williams
- 12 Carla McNamara, Richard Nelson,  
Mary Nowak
- 13 Rocco Brindisi, Kelly Shotwell,  
Dana Weber
- 14 Dr. Kendall Davis, Steven Gradzewicz
- 15 Andrea Bainbridge
- 16 Cassandra Emmons
- 17 Charles Ward
- 18 Jack Freeman, John McGee,  
Susan Osberg
- 19 Terry Storey
- 20 Eli Kibby, Tammy Krull,  
Dorothy Ruhland
- 21 Ruth Brinkerhof, Gwendolyn Hill
- 22 Kimberly Hill, Denise Simon
- 23 Laurie Socha
- 24 Stephen Delisanti
- 25 Kenneth Johnson
- 26 Adam Kowalyk
- 28 Clare Hillery, Brienna Spence
- 29 Elaine Henzler, Cheryl MacDonald,  
Linda Matuch
- 30 Gary Bainbridge



## NOVEMBER

- 1 Andrew LaDuca, Margaret McCarthy
- 2 Brianna Hayes
- 3 Patricia Emmons, Sarah McCarthy
- 4 David Kisloski Jr., Mark LaDuca,  
Riley McAndrews, Cathy Reitz,  
Renee Szymanski
- 5 Karen Dolce, Larry Miller

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



# PERSECUTED CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>NOTES:</b></p> <h1 style="text-align: center;">October</h1>						
<p><b>3</b> <b>INDIA</b> Pray for the many widows whose husbands were martyred for Christ.</p>	<p><b>4</b> <b>MALAYSIA</b> Pray that Christian converts from Islam will find fellowship with other believers.</p>	<p><b>5</b> <b>BAHRAIN</b> Pray that those distributing Bibles will be led to seekers.</p>	<p><b>6</b> <b>SYRIA</b> Pray for internally displaced Christians in Aleppo and throughout northwestern Syria.</p>	<p><b>7</b> <b>UZBEKISTAN</b> Pray for the protection of Christian doctors and nurses.</p>	<p><b>8</b> <b>JORDAN</b> Pray for Brother "M," whose wife left him after he became a believer.</p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>BHUTAN</b> Pray for successful Bible distribution work in the country.</p>
<p><b>10</b> <b>COLOMBIA</b> Pray that God will restore widows and orphans physically and mentally.</p>	<p><b>11</b> <b>MEXICO</b> Pray for Bible distributions to persecuted Christians among the Tzeltal people in Chiapas.</p>	<p><b>12</b> <b>CUBA</b> Pray for the encouragement and wisdom of Christian pastors.</p>	<p><b>13</b> <b>KUWAIT</b> Pray that Kuwaitis will respond to the gospel as proclaimed on satellite channels, radio and the Internet.</p>	<p><b>14</b> <b>BANGLADESH</b> Pray for Joban, who lost his house and land when he became a Christian.</p>	<p><b>15</b> <b>ETHIOPIA</b> Pray for Orthodox priests and believers who face severe persecution for following Christ over church authority.</p>	<p><b>16</b> <b>CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC</b> Pray that Christians in remote areas will have access to Bibles.</p>
<p><b>17</b> <b>MAURITANIA</b> Pray that Christians who worship in secret will connect with other believers for fellowship.</p>	<p><b>18</b> <b>MOROCCO</b> Pray for King Mohammed VI and other government leaders.</p>	<p><b>19</b> <b>IRAN</b> Pray that the children of Christian families will stand strong while attending Muslim schools.</p>	<p><b>20</b> <b>CHINA</b> Pray that Christians will bring the love and truth of Christ to a dying world.</p>	<p><b>21</b> <b>NORTH KOREA</b> Pray for the success of Bible-smuggling efforts by air and sea.</p>	<p><b>22</b> <b>PAKISTAN</b> Pray that all Christians will have their own copy of the Bible.</p>	<p><b>23</b> <b>CAMEROON</b> Pray for local churches that care for and encourage persecuted Christians in the north.</p>
<p><b>24</b> <b>DJIBOUTI</b> Pray for the continued spread of the gospel among the Afar people.</p>	<p><b>25</b> <b>IRAQ</b> Pray that house-church members will be strengthened through persecution.</p>	<p><b>26</b> <b>MYANMAR</b> Pray for peace, specifically in areas affected by the recent Rohingya and Arakan conflicts.</p>	<p><b>27</b> <b>TUNISIA</b> Pray for unity and collaboration among Tunisian churches.</p>	<p><b>28</b> <b>LEBANON</b> Pray for pastors, churches and Christians living amid economic and civil disaster.</p>	<p><b>29</b> <b>YEMEN</b> Pray for peace and unity in this war-torn country.</p>	<p><b>30</b> <b>ALGERIA</b> Pray for those who hear the gospel through social media evangelism.</p>
<p><b>31</b> <b>LAOS</b> Pray for the 49 people groups with 200 ethnic subgroups in Laos.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>"TO THE PRESENT HOUR WE HUNGER AND THIRST, WE ARE POORLY DRESSED AND BUFFETED AND HOMELESS, AND WE LABOR, WORKING WITH OUR OWN HANDS. WHEN REVILED, WE BLESS; WHEN PERSECUTED, WE ENDURE; WHEN SLANDERED, WE ENTREAT."</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">—1 CORINTHIANS 4:11-13A</p>					

# OCTOBER CALENDAR

## October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 8 & 10 am HE 10am Sunday School	4	5 6:30 Men's Disc. 7 PM Vestry	6 9:30AM HE 6:30 PM Youth Group	7	8 7 PM Fr. Ward's Bible Study begins	9 10:30am Griefshare 4:30pm HE
10 8 & 10 am HE 10am Sunday School	11 COLUMBUS DAY office closed	12 6:30 Men's Disc. & Women's Bible Study	13 9:30AM HE 7 PM Sr. Choir	14	15 7 PM Fr. Ward's Bible Study	16 9am Men's Breakfast 10:30am Griefshare 4:30 PM HE
17 8 & 10 am HE 10am Sunday School	18 6:30pm BARRA	19 6:30 Men's Disc. & Women's Bible Study	20 9:30AM HE 6pm set-up Fall Fest	21 7pm Prayer Service	22 6PM Hero's Unmasked Fall Family Festival	23 10:30am Griefshare 4:30 PM HE
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# Autumn Blessings

