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LOOKING AHEAD:

- TODAY:** 11:45 a.m. (After 10:30 service). Meeting to discuss details of this year's Fish Fries. We need everyone to make this a success!
- 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Taizé.
- February 17** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Jenny Dance will perform.
- February 18** Ash Wednesday Services noon and 7:00 p.m.
- February 20** First of 6 Fish Fries. We need **EVERYONE'S** help, to make this a gigantic success. Please volunteer to help. We need Fryers, Servers, Table-setters, Clean-up, Dessert bakers (home-made of course), and so much more. A sign-up sheet is hanging by the kitchen. Surely this is **something** every St. Bart's member can do - even if you just show up to eat the delicious codfish, it would help!

THE EPIPHANY BANNER

The brilliant Star of Bethlehem guided the three Magi - Casper, Melchoir, and Balthazar - on their long journey by camel, bringing fine gifts to the new baby Jesus. Arriving 12 days after the birth of the infant King, the camels lead them home by a different road.

Celebrant: The Rev. Stephen Secaur
Eucharistic Ministers: JoAnn Buckley (8:00) and Lydia Bailey (10:30)
Lectors: Hal Buckley (8:00) Matt Matthews (10:30)
Acolyte: Lucy Bailey
Ushers: Jack and Betty Rendlesham
Teller: Dorothea Kingsbury
Organist: Aleksandr Leybkind

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

01 February 2015

Welcome! Please enter the nave quietly and reverently as there may be people already in prayer and contemplation.

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Your presence is important to all of us. If you are just passing through, we wish you Godspeed on your travels and hope that you will join us whenever you return. If you live in this area and are new to this parish, we welcome you and invite you to make Saint Bartholomew your church home. If you are a long-time member who has been gone for a while, welcome home---we've missed you! And if you are a member of this parish who generally shows up every week, thank you for your commitment to our parish family---well done, good and faithful servant!

About Today's Lessons

In Epiphany season we celebrate those events in Jesus' ministry which revealed him to be the Son of God. Today we hear Mark's account of Jesus' first sermon and the events which followed. In casting out an evil spirit from one possessed, Jesus revealed a spiritual authority greater than that of other prophets and teachers.

The reading from Deuteronomy preserves an ancient Hebrew tradition that God would send another prophet as great as Moses. While Christians have seen Jesus as the fulfillment of that tradition, he was, in fact, even greater than Moses. Those who were in the synagogue at Capernaum realized that his power over evil spirits revealed him to be the agent of God.

Our reading from I Corinthians today deals with an extremely important part of Paul's teaching about the Church by means of a rather obscure (to us) controversy in that Church. It was between those who had no qualms about eating food sacrificed to pagan gods, because they believed Christ had rendered such gods meaningless; and those who feared that eating such food would put them back into the fellowship of the old gods. Paul's principle is that we are indeed free to eat any food (the old gods are meaningless) but that the need for unity and fellowship among Christians is even more important than exercising that freedom.

We join together in the liturgy to meet our Savior who comes to us in Word and Sacrament. Jesus, then, is not only the prophet who, like Moses, brings God's Word; he is the Word made flesh who comes among us himself in water, bread, and wine.

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Worship through the Week

A guide for Prayer and Study at Home

We pray for those who are infirm, and for the continued healing of:

Richard and Mary, Ben and Dorothy, Kristen, Ed, and Drew, Dottie, Betty, Bill, Chris, Fr. Jim, Maisie, Rob, Joanna, Cara, Carol, Tom, Will, Jan, Kelly, Jane, David, Andrea, Jean, Val, Annie, Tom, Dick, Alice, Ada, Kevin, Emily, Katy, Sharon, Nancy, Norma, Shirley, Laurie, Lucille, Joe, Andy, Chris, Anne, Bobby, John, Marie, Gavin, John, Scott, Manette...

And we offer our thanksgivings for your many blessings upon us especially for:

January 25th was \$1,490.00 and the attendance was 47.

The birthdays of Tom Rini, ...

The anniversary of ...

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces...

Major Dan Knaup, Corporal Jason Thompson, Lt. Colonel Trent Johnson, Major David Marcinski, Sgt. Mark Ditchman, Pvt 2nd Class Kyle Lewis, Col. Howard Pearce, Quartermaster Mike Thoumire, Lieutenant Joanna Chmielecki, Staff Sgt. Paul Workman, Seaman Kyle Knowlton, Airman 1st Class Rebecca Voigt, Robert Register.

We also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, and those who have given their lives in the Armed Forces the past week:

Please bring in the palms from last year, to be burned on Shrove Tuesday.

Outreach – Giving Tree: For the month of **February** we are collecting personal items, **such as: toilet paper, toothpaste deodorant, shampoo, etc.** Thanks so much for the outpouring of gifts to the Giving Tree.



The Shawl Ministry would like to encourage everyone to give a shawl to someone you know that can use a little extra love and prayer. Please feel free to take one even for yourself. Blessed shawls are always available in the library area. **Shawl Ministry meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm here at St. Bart's.** Please join us if you knit or crochet. Liz York: 440-946-3374.

Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

If there is an enclosure (envelope or separate sheet) in the announcement folder, and you do not plan to use it at this time, please leave it on the table in back, instead of the trash. We can save a lot of paper that way. Thanks!

This Week at a Glance

02	Monday		THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD JC IN THE TEMPLE
		6:00 pm	Yoga with Betty Rendlesham
03	Tuesday		The Dorchester Chaplains, 1943
		9:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Office Open Franco Jenny Dance SHANO monthly meeting (D. Kingsbury)
04	Wednesday		Anskar, Archbishop of Hamburg & Missionary of Denmark
		9:00 am 7:00 pm	Office Open Franco Prayer Shawl Ministry
05	Thursday		Roger Williams, 1683 and Anne Hutchinson, 1643 Prophetic W
		8:00 am 8:00 am 6:00 pm	Thursday Morning Cleaning Crew Office open - York Yoga with Betty Rendlesham
06	Friday		The Martyrs of Japan, 1597
		9:00 am 9:00 am	Office Open Franco Morning Prayer
07	Saturday		Cornelius the Centurion W.
08	Sunday		THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
		8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I Bible Study Choir Practice Holy Eucharist, Rite II

This Week's Readings

From the Daily Office for the week of February 02nd through February 08th, 2015

<p>Monday: 56 ,57, [58] & 64, 65 Gen. 19:1-17(18-23)24-29 ; Heb. 11:1-12; John 6:27-40</p> <p>Tuesday: 61, 62 & 68:1-20(21-23)24-36 Gen. 21:1-21; Heb. 11:13-22; John 6:41-51</p> <p>Wednesday:72 & 119:73-96 Gen. 22:1-18; Heb. 11:23-31; John 6:52-59</p> <p>Thursday: [70], 71 & 74 Gen. 23:1-20; Heb. 11:32–12:2; John 6:60-71</p>	<p>Friday 69:1-23(24-30)31-38 & 73 Gen. 24:1-27; Heb. 12:3-11; John 7:1-13</p> <p>Saturday 75, 76 & 23, 27 Gen. 24:28-38, 49-51; Heb. 12:12-29; John 7:14-36</p> <p>Sunday 93, 96 & 34 Gen. 24:50-67; 2 Tim. 2:14-21; Mark 10:13-22</p>
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How to use the Daily Office: For each day, the Psalms are split into AM (morning) and PM (evening) readings by the “&” You may read them this way or together at one time. Optional readings are in [brackets]. Below the Psalms you have an Old Testament, New Testament, and Gospel reading for each day. The entire Bible can be read in two years following this format from the Book of Common Prayer.