

LOOKING AHEAD:

March 13 (Mon): 6:00 pm Bible Study
March 14 (Tue) : 7:00 pm St. Bart's Book Club
**March 15 (Wed): noon – 1:00 pm Lenten Program every Wednesday in Lent including Holy Week.
Using forward Day by Day. (Brown Bag Lunch). All Invited.**
March 15 (Wed): 7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
March 17 (Fri) : 5:00 - 7:00 pm ... Fish Fry
March 20 (Mon): 6:00 pm – Finance Meeting – 6:30 pm – Vestry Meeting
March 24 (Fri) : 5:00 - 7:00 pm ... Fish Fry
March 27 (Mon): 6:30 pm Bible Study
March 31 (Fri) : 5:00 - 7:00 pm Fish Fry

**NEXT FISH FRY FRIDAY, MARCH 17th UNTIL, APRIL 7TH, 2017 (6 WEEKS)
DESSERTS NEEDED - PLEASE SIGN UP ON BULLETIN BOARD,
WE ARE FEEDING *GOVERNORS VILLAGE* AND NEED EXTRA DESSERTS!!**

Outreach – Giving Tree: For the month of **March** we will be collecting **Paper products, such as: toilet paper, paper towel, wipes, etc. as well as feminine hygiene products.** Thanks so much for the outpouring of gifts to the Giving Tree.

NOTE: The 2017 Parish Directory is finished and can be picked up on the table in back.

THE LENTEN BANNER

Starting from lower left corner, and moving clockwise:

The grain and the grapes, in remembrance of the Holy Eucharist
Jesus Christ rode a donkey into Jerusalem, his way paved with palm branches, in fulfillment of
a prophecy spoken by the prophet Zechariah (Zechariah 9:9).

The three crosses of Golgotha

The cat-of-9-tails whip, the Crown of Thorns, and finally, the three nails

HE DIED TO SAVE US ALL

Celebrant: The Rev Stephen Secaur

Eucharistic Ministers: Hal Buckley (8:00) and Richard Wise (10:30)

Lectors: Jo Ann Buckley (8:00) Tom Robinson and Linda Poelking (10:30)

Acolyte; Nancy Nicholls

Ushers: Linda and Tom Poelking

Teller: John Connelly

Organist: Aleksandr Leybkind

The Second Sunday in Lent

12 March 2017

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

Today's readings focus on the theme of journey. Whenever we travel, we undergo the pain of leaving behind familiar things and the uncertainty of a new future. In Lent, Christians remember that they are life-long "pilgrims in a strange land," people on a journey into the future that God has prepared for us.

The Old Testament reading tells of the story of Abraham's calling by God, and the beginning of his journey into the Promised Land. In this new and unknown place, God opened up new rivers of grace for Abraham and Sarah. In the second reading, Paul expounds on Abraham as the father of faith and as our ancestor in the faith. The journey begun by Abraham and Sarah is a journey that continues in our lives and a journey begun this Lent by all those among us who seek baptism at Easter.

Nicodemus is also interested in a journey—the journey into God's Kingdom. Here a leading rabbi comes to discuss God's Word with Jesus, whom he recognizes as a fellow rabbi. John tells us this was Passover season and it was accounted specially blessed for rabbis to discuss God's Word through the night during that season. Jesus reveals the way into God's Kingdom to be a new birth, a birth from heaven (the original text means both) through water and the Holy Spirit.

We gather to support each other in our journey, to pray for those who will be baptized, and to be nourished by Christ in his Word and Sacraments—they are our food for the journey.

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In case of a pastoral emergency, please call the church and leave a message. Messages are checked daily, and someone will get back with you. Please tell the office of any pastoral emergency as soon as possible. Fr. Stephen Secaur may be contacted directly at 440 541 8359 or by email at Fr.Stephen.saintbartohio@gmail.com.

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

Ben and Dorothy, Richard and Mary, John and Caroline, Brad and Dana, the Matthews family, the Lazala family, Vinnie, Rob, Tom, Betty, Fr. Jim, Shirley, Harriett, Sarah, Karen, Mikayla, Steve, Mila, Heidi, Anastasia, Diane, Jean, Judy, Jane, Jim, Pat, Brooke, Dee, Dolores, Susan, Kevin, Emanuel, Wes, Lauren, John, Teresa, Jose, Katie, Liz, Jan, Tom, Patty, Rick, Lucille, Ina, Florence, Ann, ...

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

The offering for March 5th was \$1,577.00 and the attendance was 60.

The birthdays of: Emily Capuria, Shirley Cerjan, ...

The anniversary of: Fr. Steve & Nancy Secaur, ...

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

Lt. Colonel Dan Knaup, Corporal Jason Thompson, Lt. Col. David Marcinski, Sgt. Mark Ditchman, Pvt 2 nd Class Kyle Lewis, Col. Howard Pearce, Quartermaster Mike Thoumire, Staff Sgt. Paul Workman, Seaman Kyle Knowlton, Staff Sgt Becca Voigt-Gibson, Pvt. Jack Rolf, Lance Corporal Anthony Worst, Col (P) Patrick Renwick.

We also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially: Jim Posey, Mary Ann Smith, Michael Shaver, ... and those who have died this week in the service of their country.

The Shawl Ministry : Prayer Shawls are always available in the library area. Please feel free to take one for yourself or friends. Sign the book so that we may know where our love and prayers go. The Shawl Ministry meets on the first and third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm. Join us if you like to knit or crochet. We are always in need of yarn donations if you happen to be cleaning out your stash or someone else's!!! Thank you for your loyal support of this ministry. Liz York: 440 946 3374.

Saint Bart's Book Club meets the second Tuesday of every month at the Gates Mills Public Library at 7:00 pm. Selections are:

March, The Girls of Atomic City by: Denise Kierman and

April, Deadly Thaw by Sarah Ward

For more information, see Wendy Charny or call her: 216 291 9235.

13	Monday		Lenten
		3:00 pm 6:30 pm	The Groovy Garfoose (Music Therapy) Bible Study
14	Tuesday		Lenten
		7:00 pm	St. Bart's Book Club
15	Wednesday		Lenten
		3:00 pm 3:00 pm 7:00 pm	Office Open – Franco The Groovy Garfoose (Music Therapy) Prayer Shawl Ministry
16	Thursday		Lenten
		8:00 am 9:00 am	TMCC Office Open - Boyd
17	Friday		Lenten
		9:00 am 5:00 pm	Morning Prayer Fish Fry
18	Saturday		<u>Lenten</u>
19	Sunday		The Third Sunday in Lent
		8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 3:00 pm	Holy Eucharist, Rite I Choir Practice Bible Study Holy Eucharist, Rite II The Groovy Garfoose (Music Therapy)

Worship through the Week, a guide for Praying and Study at home

This Week's Readings

From the Daily Office for the week of March 6th through March 12th, 2017

Monday : Psalm 56, 57; 64, 65
Jer. 1:11-19; Rom. 1:1-15; John 4:27-42

Tuesday: Psalm 61, 62; 68:1-20, 24-36
Jer. 2:1-13; Rom. 1:16-25; John 4:43-54

Wednesday: Psalm 2; 119:73-96
Jer. 3:6-18; Rom. 1:28-2:11; John 5:1-18

Thursday: Psalm 70, 71; 74
Jer. 4:9-10, 19-28; Rom. 2: 12-24; John 5:19-29

Friday : Psalm 95, 69:1-23, 31-38: 73
Jer. 5:1-9; Rom 2:25-3:18; John 5:30-47

Saturday: Psalm 75, 76; 23, 27
Jer. 5:20-31; Rom. 3:19-31; John 7:1-13

Sunday: Psalm 24, 29; 8, 84
Jer. 1:1-10; 1 Cor. 3:11-23; Mark 3:31-4:9

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.