

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 FrStephen.saintbartohio@gmail.com.

LOOKING AHEAD:

- March 11: Fish Fry from 5 - 7 pm. We need **EVERYONE'S** help, to make this a gigantic success. Please volunteer to help. We need Fryers, Servers, Table-setters, Clean-up, Desserts 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 will be appreciated!
- March 18: Our last Fish Fry for 2016!!
- March 20: Family Fun Sunday from 5 - ?. Please join in this fun event with the entire family!
- March 27: No "Community Meal" at Epiphany, due to EASTER SUNDAY.

Faith Journey Weekend: April 15 - 17, 2016 we need lots of volunteers to help with arrangements. A time of spiritual renewal for all members of St. Bart's. Call Marge Comella: 440-442-7340 or Diane Bellas: 440-720-1489.

From: Janelle Finnie to St. Bart's about Faith Journey

I ask everyone to consider that this event may change a life or lives as well as bring new faces through the doors of St. Bartholomew Church. St. Bart's is near and dear to my heart. I feel that when I walk through the doors I proclaim: "Here I am, Lord" and I am loved and accepted. I have also attended The Walk to Emmaus, as a pilgrim and a team member. Both times truly changed my life. It is this type of experience that may change or save someone's life and bring new faces into our parish. This is something that is often talked about in our parish . . . we need to bring people through the doors. This is an incredible way to do just that.

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

SPRING CLEANING TIME!

Faith Journey Weekend - April 15 - 17

For our literature giveaway table, we need your donation of adult/children Christian books, Bibles, games, pictures, crosses, tapes, music CD'S, etc.

Donations can be left in my office. Thanks, Fr. Steve

Celebrant: The Rev. Stephen Secaur
Eucharistic Ministers: Jo Ann Buckley (8:00) and Joanna Rini (10:30)
Lectors: Hal Buckley (8:00) Matt Matthews and Dick York (10:30)
Acolyte: Nancy Nicholls
Ushers: Tom Rini and John Charny
Teller: Diane Bellas
Organist: Aleksandr Leybkind

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

13 March 2016

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

Each of the Lenten Sundays stresses one of the events in the Old Testament history of Salvation. For us, these events foreshadow the meaning of Christ's death and resurrection and our incorporation into him in Holy Baptism.

The two greatest events in Israel's salvation history were the Exodus/Passover in the time of Moses and Israel's return from exile in Babylon to the land of promise in the sixth century B.C. Today we hear from Isaiah a reflection upon that return which transforms it into the sign that still to come. God's plan is an even greater act of salvation—something entirely new. It is that new action by God which we celebrate in this season and especially in Holy Week and Easter.

Today's gospel reading is the story of a woman who expressed her devotion to Jesus by anointing his feet with costly perfume. While Judas complained about her extravagant action, Jesus saw it as a sign of his coming death and burial. The gospel writer discounts the complaint that the money could have been given to the poor. We are reminded that to make our Lord our greatest value is essential to our role as the people of God.

In the second reading, Paul testifies that his life is lived in Christ. This is not simply a metaphor. In baptism, we have been made part of Jesus' dying and rising, which is renewed in the Eucharist.

We are nearing Holy Week, when we enter into an intense period of rediscovering our identity as people who are in Christ and in whom God has performed the ultimate act of salvation. The restoration of all people to their true homeland with God will end the exile from God created by our disobedience.

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Rule of Life Lenten Study offered both at 9:15 Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings with simple supper starting at 6 pm. Go to www.SSJE/org/growrule to register to receive email videos each week during Lent.

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, Bill, Dottie, Betty, Rob, Mary Ann, Steve, Fr. Gary, Fr. Jim, Michelle & Josh, Brigid & Ken, Jen & Pat, Laura & Jeff, Julee & Steve, Marie & baby, the Dunofrio family, Liam, Will, Jan, Kelly, Kim, Jean, Alice, Shirley, Lauren, Laurie, Brian, Kevin, Jane, Annie, Tom, Val, Joey, Lou, Dolores, Susan, Mary Ellen, Richard, Tim, Jack, Carol, Brad, Nickki, Emily, Caroline, Joanna, ...

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

The offering for March 6th was \$2,172.00 and the attendance was 71.

The birthdays of : Shirley Cerjan, ...

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

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

Lt. Colonel Dan Knaup, Corporal Jason Thompson, Major David Marcinski, Sgt. Mark Ditchman, Pvt 2nd Class Kyle Lewis, Col. Howard Pearce, Quartermaster Mike Thoumire, Staff Sgt. Paul Workman, Seaman Kyle Knowlton, Senior Airman Rebecca Voigt, Pvt. Jack Rolf, Lance Corporal Anthony Worst.

We also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially:

Eugene Kondrotas, ...

and those who have died this week in the service of their country.

Outreach – Giving Tree: For the month of **March** we will be collecting cleaning products: laundry detergent, dish washer, disinfecting wipes, bar soap, etc. Thanks so much for the outpouring of gifts to the Giving Tree.

The Shawl Ministry: Do you like to knit, crochet and pray? Please consider joining a group of women from St. Bart's and other surrounding churches as we create prayer shawls. We meet here at St. Bart's at 7:00 p.m. every 1st and 3rd Wednesday. As shawls are created, we share shawl stories and pray over each shawl. If you know of an individual, a group or an institution that may benefit from a shawl blessed with love and prayers, please let one of us know or pick one up in the library.

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

14	Monday	6:00 pm	Yoga with Betty Rendlesham
15	Tuesday	9:00 am	Office Open - Franco
16	Wednesday	4:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Office open - Franco Simple supper followed by Lenten Studies Prayer Shawl Ministry
			Patrick, Bishop and Missionary of Ireland, 461
17	Thursday	8:00 am 9:00 am 1:00 pm 6:00 pm	TMCC Office Open - Boyd Office open - Franco Yoga with Betty Rendlesham
			Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, 386
18	Friday	9:00 am 4:30 pm 5:00 - 7:00 pm	Morning Prayer Office Open - Franco Fish Fry - Last One for 2016
			SAINT JOSEPH
19	Saturday		THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY
20	Sunday	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	Holy Eucharist, Rite I Choir Practice Bible Study Holy Eucharist, Rite II Family Fun Sunday

This Week's Readings From the Daily Office for the week of March 14TH through March 20TH, 2016

Monday: Psalm 31; 35
Exod. 4:10-20 27-31; 1 Cor. 14:1-19; Mark 9:30-41

Tuesday : Psalm 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126
Exod. 5:1-6:1; 1 Cor. 14:20-33, 39-40; Mark 9:42-50
Wednesday : Psalm 119-145-176; 128, 129, 130

Exod. 7:8-24; 2 Cor. 2:14-3:6; Mark 10:1-16

Thursday: Psalm 131, 132, 133, 140, 142
Exod. 7:25-8:19; 2 Cor. 3:7-18; Mark 10:17-31

Friday: Psalm 95, 22; 142, 143:1-11
Exod. 9:13-35; 2 Cor. 4:1-12; Mark 10:32-45

Saturday: Psalm 137:1-6, 144; 42, 43
Exod. 10:21-11:8; 2Cor. 4:13-18; Mark 10:46-52

Sunday: Psalm 118; 145
Exod. 3:16-4:12; Rom. 12:1-21; John 8: 46 -59

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.