

## LOOKING AHEAD:

TODAY: 4:00 – 6:00 pm	Epiphany Community Meal.
April 24(Mon): 6:00 pm	Bible Study.
April 26(Wed.): 4:30 pm	West Side Shared Ministry.
April 30 (Sun): 11:45 am	After 2 <sup>nd</sup> Service: Epiphany Community Meal/new team needed
May (01) (Sun) : 5:00 pm	Taizé - 5:00 - 5:30 pm. Taizé is an ecumenical song and silent participatory prayer service designed to achieve a contemplative state through music, song and silence.

*Celebrant:* The Rev Stephen Secaur

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

*Lectors:* Diane Bellas (8:00) Matt Matthews and Gloria Knapp (10:30)

*Ushers:* Matt and West Matthews

*Teller:* Paul Shaver

*Organist:* Aleksandr Leybkind

## The Second Sunday of the Easter

23 April 2017

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

Thank you for worshipping 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*

We continue today to celebrate the Lord's resurrection, a celebration which will last for fifty days in all (and which is celebrated again every Sunday throughout the year). The Gospel reading begins with the first Easter Day when Jesus appeared in the evening to the disciples and gave them his Spirit. The story continues with his appearance the following Sunday when Thomas met the Lord and confessed his faith. It concludes with words for us: "Blessed are they who have not seen, yet believe."

On the Sundays of Easter, the first reading is always from the Acts of the Apostles. In today's reading from Acts, we hear a portion of Peter's sermon on the Day of Pentecost proclaiming the resurrection. God has raised Jesus; and Peter and the other Apostles are witnesses of the resurrection.

The second lesson on the Sundays of Easter this year comes from Peter's first epistle. This is a sermon on the meaning of baptism. Today the message is about our rebirth into new life in God as we died and rose with Christ in baptism. Nevertheless, in the world we will still have trials and persecutions, Peter tells us, but in them, our faith is strengthened and purified.

As we gather as Church to celebrate the Lord's resurrection, we find the living presence of Jesus in his Word, in the sacraments, and in our life as the community of the Body of Christ. We find ourselves made by the Holy Spirit into a community that is the visible and living sign of the risen Christ.

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**Saint·Bartholomew**

**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, Floey, Nabil, ...

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

The offering for <sup>April 16<sup>th</sup></sup> was \$2,234.79 and the attendance was 91.

The birthdays of : Gregory Kampman,

The anniversary of: ...

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, Private 1<sup>st</sup> Class Jack Rolf, Lance Corporal Anthony Worst, Col (P) Patrick Renwick, Sgt. John Kleeberger and his unit 371<sup>st</sup> Sustainment Brigade.

We also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially: Michael Shaver, Mary Poelking, Cyndi Ray, ...

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We remember The Hatala Family and loved ones for whom today's flowers are given by Hal and Jo Ann Buckley and Mary Nicholls, 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 now 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:

**April, Deadly Thaw by Sarah Ward and**

May selection Fever at Dawn by Peter Gardos

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

24	Monday		Monday in Easter Week
		3:00 pm 6:00 pm	The Groovy Garfoose (Music Therapy) Bible Study
25	Tuesday		Easter Week
		3:00 pm	Office Open - Franco
26	Wednesday		Easter Week
		3:00 pm 3:00 pm 4:30 pm 6:30 pm	Office Open - Franco The Groovy Garfoose (Music Therapy) West Side Shared Ministry Cub Scouts
27	Thursday		Easter Week
		8:00 am 9:00 am	TMCC Office Open - Boyd
28	Friday		Easter Week
29	Saturday		<u>Easter Week</u>
30	Sunday		<b>The Third Sunday of Easter</b>
		8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I Choir Practice Bible Study Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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

This Week's Readings

From the Daily Office for the week of April 24th through April 30th, 2017

**Monday : Psalm** 1,2,3,; 4,7  
Dan. 1:1-21; John 1:1-10; John 17:1-11  
**Tuesday: Psalm** 5,6; 10,11  
Dan. 2:1-16; 1John 2:1-11; John 17:12-19  
**Wednesday: Psalm** 119:1-2; 12,13,14  
Dan. 2:17-30; 1John 2:12-17; John 17:20-26  
**Thursday: Psalm** 18:1-20; 18:21-50  
Dan. 2:31-49; 1 John 2:18-29; Luke 3:1-14

**Friday : Psalm** 16, 17; 134, 135  
Dan. 3:1-18; John 3:1-10; Luke 3:15-22  
**Saturday: Psalm** 20,21:1-7; 110:1-5, 116, 117  
Dan. 3:19-30; 1 John 3:11-18; Luke 4:1-13  
**Sunday: Psalm** 146, 147; Psalm 111,112,113  
Isa. 43:8-13; 1Pet. 2:2-10; John 14:1-7

**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.**