

## LOOKING AHEAD:

TODAY:	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.
May (08) (Mon):	6:00 pm	Bible Study.
May (09)(Tue):	7:00pm	St. Bart's Book Club.
May (10)(Wed):	6:30pm	Cub Scouts.

**NOTE:** Prayer list for the infirm and continued healing will be cleared early May. If you desire your name, or that of a loved one, to be included in the new list, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in back of the church.

*Celebrant:* The Rev Stephen Secaur  
*Eucharistic Ministers:* Betsy Limmex (8:00) and Richard Wise (10:30)  
*Lectors:* Diane Bellas (8:00) Dick York and Gloria Knapp (10:30)  
*Acolyte:* Nancy Nicholls  
*Ushers:* Dick York and John Charny  
*Teller:* Kay Boyd  
*Organist:* Aleksandr Leybkind

## The Fourth Sunday of the Easter

07 May 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*

This Sunday is traditionally called Good Shepherd Sunday. The gospel reading each year is a portion of Jesus' discourse on his relationship to us in the image of a shepherd. Shepherds in his day were so close to their flock that the sheep were each known to the shepherd and they knew and responded to his voice. So we each in baptism have been named by our Lord and have become part of his life.

Today's reading from Acts describes the life of the infant church. Central to its life was the apostles' teaching and fellowship, the breaking of the bread, and the prayers. This small but growing community saw itself as a family sharing everything in common.

Even their most characteristic act of worship, the Eucharist, was, like Jewish Sabbath and Passover worship, something that took place in homes.

The reading from 1 Peter continues this early sermon on the life of the baptized. Suffering and trials are still part of the new Christian's life. By bearing them patiently our lives are conformed more closely with the dying and rising of Jesus. He is our Shepherd and will never lose any of us.

We gather in the Eucharist as a household, a flock, not a group of individuals who simply happen to be in the same place at the same time. We are made into this fellowship by the living presence of Christ in our lives, giving us a unity that transcends all individual differences.

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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 Lazala family, Vinnie, Rob, Tom, Betty, Fr. Jim, Shirley, Harriett, Sarah, Karen, Mikayla, Steve, Mila, 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:  
April 30th the offering for was \$1,189.00 and the attendance was 55.

The birthdays of : Nicholas Jakse, Mary Wise,  
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: Cyndi Ray, Jumicar Castagnos, Alexander Christie, ...

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We remember Christopher Kingsbury for whom today's flowers are given by Dorothea J. Kingsbury 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:

**May** selection **Fever at Dawn** by Peter Gardos, and  
**June** selection Gullivers Travels by Jonathan Swift  
For more information, see Wendy Charny or call her: 216 291 9235.

8	Monday		Dame Julian of Norwich
		3:00 pm 6:30 pm	The Groovy Garfoose (Music Therapy) Bible Study
9	Tuesday		Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop of Constantinople
		3:00 pm 7:00 pm	Office Open - Franco St. Bart's Book Club
10	Wednesday		
		3:00 pm 3:00 pm 6:30 pm	Office Open - Franco The Groovy Garfoose (Music Therapy) Cub Scouts (Matthews)
11			
		8:00 am 9:00 am	TMCC Office Open - Boyd
12	Friday		
		9:00 am	Morning Prayer
13	Saturday		
14	Sunday		<b>The Fifth Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day)</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 May 8<sup>th</sup> through May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Monday : Psalm** 41, 52; 44  
Wisdom 1:16-2:11.21-24; Col. 1:1-14;  
Luke 6:1-11

**Tuesday: Psalm** 45; 47, 48  
Wisdom 3:1-9; Col. 1:15-23; Luke 6:12-26

**Wednesday: Psalm** 119:49-72; 49  
Wisdom 4:16-5:8; Col. 1:24-2:7; Luke 6:27-38

**Thursday: Psalm** 50; 59, 60, 114,115  
Wisdom 5:9-23; Col. 2:8-23; Luke 6:39-49

**Friday : Psalm** 40, 54; 51  
Wisdom 6:12-23; Col. 3:1-11; Luke 7:1-17

**Saturday: Psalm** 55; 138, 139:1-17  
Wisdom 7:1-14; Col. 3:12-17; Luke 7:18-28

**Sunday: Psalm** 63:1-8, 98, 103  
Wisdom 1:1-15; 1 Pet. 5:1-11; Matt. 7:15-29

**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.**