

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:

We are joining with Lyndhurst Presbyterian, in the Open Table Program. This involves possibly one evening per week. We have 3 volunteers, and need 2 or 3 more. Please give this outreach project your careful consideration.

TODAY: Community meal from 4 - 6 pm. Sign-up sheet by the kitchen board. Help is needed. Thanks!

August 2: Taizé: from 5- 6 pm. Taizé: is an ecumenical song and silent participatory prayer service designed to achieve a contemplative state through music, song and silence.

August 16: Family Fun Sunday: from 5 - ? Please join in this fun event with the entire church family!

August 22: St. Bart's Picnic from 12 – 3 pm.

Remember:	Please do not forget:
Your Quarterly Pledge Statements are sitting on the table in library. Please pick it up and save church a stamp. Thanks!	Prayer list for the infirm and coninued healing will be cleared the end on July. If you desire your name, or that of a loved one, to be included in the new list starting August 2, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in back of the church. We do not want to omit anyone needing our prayers.

Note:

The Altar Guild at St. Bart's is a kind, dedicated group of women who make sure the Sanctuary is ready for services. It not only is a wonderful way to serve the church, but offers much insight into the beliefs and traditions of our Episcopal faith. If anyone is interested in learning more about the Altar Guild and maybe helping the church in this way, please contact Cindy Fumich at:

440-423-0525 or 440-537-3578. Thank you!

The white bowls on the altar for flowers are the property of St. Bart's. If your wish to take flowers home in the white bowls for easier transport, that is fine. *Please remember to return them to the church the next week as we will need them for altar flowers. Thank you, Altar Guild !*

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Celebrant: The Rev. Stephen Secaur

Eucharistic Ministers: Betsy Limmex (8:00) and Joanna Rini (10:30)

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

Acolyte: Lucy Bailey
Ushers: Matt and West Matthews
Teller: Tom Robinson
Organist: Aleksandr Leybkind

The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

26 July 2015

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

Today's Old Testament reading tells the gruesome and seedy story of David and Bathsheba. Here we have King David, at the peak of his powers and influence. He is beloved of God, beloved by his people, beloved by the Army which he commands. He has every right to call himself fortunate and blessed—a truly lucky man.

Then, in a twinkling of an eye, he makes a major misstep. As he gazes from the roof of his palace across the way to the home of Uriah, the Hittite, one of his loyal Army officers, he spies Uriah's lovely wife, Bathsheba. She is bathing and luxuriating in the water and sunlight—having no idea she is being watched. Now, if David had only looked, no one could blame him for that. Very few men would not continue to look at a lovely, naked woman.

But, David did more than just look. He used his immense power and influence for his own personal pleasure. He ordered his servant to go and fetch Bathsheba and bring her to him. The Bible does not indicate if she resisted his advances, but since he was the powerful King, and also described as ruddy and handsome, it is likely she did not. David knew that Uriah, Bathsheba's husband, was away from home with the army, so he indulged his sexual urges with her.

Soon Bathsheba went to David with the unwelcome news that she was pregnant. David's plan to avoid a messy situation of his own making was to order Uriah back from the battlefield for a day or two of "rest" with Bathsheba, assuming that they would have sexual relations and the child would be thought to be Uriah's rather than David's.

When the loyal Uriah refused to go home for rest and relaxation, but rather camped out in a tent alone as his men were doing at the battlefield, this foiled David's plan to avoid responsibility for his sin of adultery.

Then, he compounded his sin by arranging to have Uriah sent to the frontlines and assuredly be killed in battle. So, he soiled his legacy by committing the sins of adultery and murder over his infatuation with another man's wife.

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, Tabatha Jim and baby, Alison and baby, Jen and baby, Michelle and Joshua, Linda and Bill, Jonathan Dana Leila and family, Feuter family, Dottie, Betty, Bill, Fr. Jim, Maisie, Rob, Carole, Jenna, Lou, Will, Jan, Kelly, Tim, Andrea, Jean, Alice, Shirley, Lauren, John, Deb, Paul, Theresa, Julie, Charlotte., Laura, Cyrus, Liam, Jessica, Beth, Mirissa and baby.

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

The July 19th offering of \$1,851.00 and the attendance was 64.

The birthdays of West Matthews, Megan Kless, ...

The anniversary of ...

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, Lieutenant Joanna Chmielecki, 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: ... and those who have died this week in the service of their country.

Outreach - Giving Tree: For the month of **July** we will be collecting non-perishable proteins, such as: canned tuna, chicken, salmon, or beans. 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

27	Monday		William Reed Huntington, Priest, 1909
		6:00 pm	Yoga with Betty Rendlesham
28	Tuesday		Johann Sebastian Bach, 1750, George Frederick Handel, 1759 and Henry Purcell, 1695, Composers
		9:00 am 6:00 pm	Office Open Franco Jenny Dance
29	Wednesday		MARY AND MARTHA OF BETHANY
		9:00 am	Office Open Franco
30	Thursday		William Wilberforce, 1833 and Anthony Ashley-Cooper, Lord Shaftesbury, 1885, Prophetic Witnesses
		8:00 am	Thursday Morning Cleaning Crew
		8:00 am	Office open - York
31	Friday		Ignatius of Loyola, Priest and Monastic, 1556
		9:00 am 9:00 am	Office Open Franco Morning Prayer
01	Saturday		Joseph of Arimathaea
02	Sunday		THE Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
		8:00 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
		9:15 am	Bible Study
		10:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
		5:00 pm	Taizé

This Week's Readings

From the Daily Office for the week of July 26th through August 2nd, 2015

Monday: 56, 57, [58] & 64, 65
Joshua 24:16-33; Rom. 16:1-16; Matt. 27:24-31

Tuesday: 61, 62 & 68:1-20(21-23)24-36
Judges 2:1-5, 11-23; Rom. 16:17-27; Matt. 27:32-44

Wednesday: 72 & 119:73-96
Judges 3:12-30; Acts 1:1-14; Matt. 27:45-54

Thursday: [70], 71 & 74
Judges 4:4-23; Acts 1:15-26; Matt. 27:55-66

Friday: 69:1-23(24-30)31-38 & 73
Judges 5:1-18; Acts 2:1-21; Matt. 28:1-10

Saturday: 75, 76 & 23, 27
Judges 5:19-31; Acts 2:22-36; Matt. 28:11-20

Sunday: 93, 96 & 34
Judges 6:1-24; 2 Cor. 9:6-15; Mark 3:20-30

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.