

Parish Information

Youth Ministry News

Youth RCIA

No class today. For students 7th thru 12th grade needing to be Baptized, make a Profession of Faith or make their First Eucharist. Class resumes January 21st from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in the youth room. A parent will need to be present with the youth for this class.

Confirmation Class

No class today, class resumes January 7th 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm in the youth room. **Reminder**, Parents of the confirmation candidates are asked to come to this important informational confirmation class on January 7th.

Reminder - we are Confirming students in their 10th grade (Sophomore) year of High School. We ask that all students must be involved in an ongoing Catholic religious education program for at least one year prior to entering into the Confirmation program to prepare to receive the Sacrament. Example: Student is in 9th grade - regularly attends YSN (St. Bart's High School Religious Ed. Class). The following year in 10th grade - the student will enter into the Confirmation program.

YSN

Religious Education/Youth Ministry for High School Students no class today, class resumes January 7th, 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm, This will also be our Epiphany of the Lord White Elephant gift exchange party.

Discovery

Religious Education/ Youth Ministry for Junior high students classes resume Wednesday, January 10th from 6:45 pm to 8:30 pm in the youth room.

Help Wanted

Youth Ministry is in **GREAT** need of adult volunteers to help in our Junior High Religious Education program, Discovery. For more information please contact Eric Hernandez by email eric@stbartsfw.org or phone 817-480-5471. Help us start the new year with love and support for our youth.

Reminder - the Daniel Jones Retreat Assistance Memorial Fund is open for donations. The money in this fund will be used to help pay for youth who cannot afford to pay for retreats and/or various other youth events. This fund is open to any parishioner who wishes to donate any time throughout the year.

*Have you moved? Have you **changed your phone number**? If so call, email or come by the parish office to give us your updated information. stbarts@stbartsfw.org 817-292-7703*

¿Ha cambiado su domicilio? O ¿ha cambiado su número de teléfono? Si la respuesta es Si, llame, envíe un correo electrónico, o pase a la oficina para actualizar sus datos. stbarts@stbartsfw.org 817-292-7703

Bulletin deadline: Friday a week before Sunday
Por favor envíenos sus anuncios para el boletín el por lo menos dos semanas antes de la fecha del boletín en que deba anunciarse.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24th

4:00 pm English & 8:00 pm English
6:00 pm Spanish

Monday, December 25th

10:00 am English

Please note there will no daily Mass the week of December 25th

Sunday, December 31st regularly scheduled Masses

Monday, January 1st Mary Mother of God

10:00 am Mass bilingual

Misa Navideña/ Horario de misas para Navidad

Domingo, 24 de diciembre

4:00 ingles & 8:00 ingles
6:00 español

Lunes, 25 de diciembre

10:00 am ingles

No habrá Misa diaria la semana del 25 de diciembre.

Domingo, 31 de diciembre, horario de Misas normal

Lunes, 1^o de enero, María Madre de Dios

10:00 am Misa bilingüe

St. Bartholomew Women's Retreat at Montserrat

February 15 -18, Come away for a weekend of rest and renewal with the Lord. Plan to make a silent retreat based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Prayer talks, sacraments, and opportunity for individual spiritual direction. call Donna Heim 817-944-4361 or visit Montserratretreat.org to register or for more information.

Fill the Crib for Gabriel Project

Help Moms in Crisis Pregnancies prepare for their babies. Please bring baby items or a monetary donation and place in the crib in the Church Narthex. Donations will be taken throughout December. Please place checks or monetary donations in an envelope labeled "Gabriel Project." If donating by check, make out to St. Bartholomew, with Gabriel Project in the memo line.

Llenemos la cuna para Gabriel Project

Ayudemos a madres embarazadas, que viven una situación difícil, a prepararse para recibir a sus bebés. Por favor traiga artículos durante el mes de Diciembre o donaciones monetarias, y póngalas en la cuna. Ponga su donación monetaria en un sobre designado a "Gabriel Project". Si usa un cheque, hágalo a nombre de St. Bartholomew y escriba "Gabriel Project" en el memorándum. ¿Si tiene preguntas? Llame a Nancy Garza al 817-986-8283

ST. BARTHOLOMEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Parish office is located in the building on the east side of the church.
Office hours: Office will be closed December 21st through January 2nd

Sunday, December 24, 2017 The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm English

Sunday 7:30 am Spanish

9:15 am & 11 am English

1 pm Spanish

No daily Mass week of December 25th

Reconciliation Saturday/ Confesiones los Sábados
3:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick / Unción de los enfermos

Call the parish office. If there is an after-hours medical emergency call the office and follow the prompts.

Llame a la oficina parroquial. Si hay una emergencia médica fuera del horario de oficina, llame a la oficina y siga las instrucciones.

Ministry to the Sick

Call the parish office for hospital or home visits.

St. Vincent de Paul Conference and Food Pantry

817-361-8420

M, W, F 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Thurs 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm,
Sat 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Readings for the Week of December 24, 2017

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27-29;
Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

Monday The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6;
Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday Feast of Saint Stephen, first martyr

Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 8ab, 16bc & 17; Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday Feast of Saint John, Apostle and evangelist

1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a & 2-8

Thursday Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs

1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Friday

1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday

1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40

Sunday The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Gn 15:1-6' 21:1-3; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9;
Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40

Sacrament Information

Sacrament of Baptism (newborns - age 6): Come by the Formation office to sign up for the class and to obtain a list of requirements. The next class will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9th in the church Four Evangelists Hall. All requirements must be met at least 30 days prior to date of baptism. Once everything has been reviewed, you will receive a confirmation from the office.

Sacramento del Bautismo (Recién nacidos hasta 6 años): Pase a la Oficina de Formación del para obtener la información y formas necesarias. La próxima clase de bautismo será en el salón Cuatro Evangelistas, el martes 16 de enero a las 7 p.m. Se debe cumplir con todos los requisitos y deben ser entregados a la oficina 30 días antes de apartar la fecha del bautismo.

Sacrament of Confirmation: For students, contact Eric Hernandez for more information. For adults, contact the Formation office for more information.

Sacramento de la Confirmación: Para los estudiantes comuníquese con Eric Hernández. Para adultos, comuníquese la Oficina de Formación para más información.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call Julissa Chubbs at the office, 817-292-7703 at least 12 months before you wish to marry. Email Julissa@stbartsfw.org

Sacramento de Matrimonio: Favor de comunicarse con Julissa Chubbs en la oficina al 817-292-7703 12 meses antes de la fecha que desea casarse. O por correo electrónico Julissa@stbartsfw.org. (Matrimonio en México son 15 meses de anticipo)

Weekly Calendar/ Calendario Semanal

Sunday December 24th Office Closed

- 4th Sunday of Advent Mass scheduled as every weekend
- Misas del 4^o Domingo de Adviento a las 7:30 am y 1 pm en español
- 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass English
- 6:00 pm Misa de Navidad
- 8:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass English

Monday December 25th Christmas Day, office closed

- No 8:30 am Mass
- 10:00 am Christmas Day Mass English

Tuesday December 26th

- Office closed no events scheduled

Wednesday December 27th

- Office closed no events scheduled
- No 6:30 pm Mass

Thursday December 28th

- Office closed no events scheduled
- No habrá Misa a las 7:00 pm

Friday December 29th

- Office closed no events scheduled
- No 8:30 am Mass, nor Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday December 30th

- Confessions 3:00 pm



*The Staff wishes all the parishioners a
Blessed Christmas Season.*

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 23rd

4:30 pm +Ramona E. Garza

Sunday, December 24th

7:30 am Missa Pro Populo

9:15 am Richard Lucero

11:00 am

1:00 pm Vignati Family

4:00 pm

6:00 pm Abel & Bertha Olmos

8:00 pm

Monday, December 25th

10:00 am

Staff

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Fr. Karl Reflection

Fourth Sunday of Advent/ Christmas

In the Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Advent we hear Luke's account of the birth of Christ and Mary's importance in the mystery of Christ's coming into the world. Because Mary perfectly cooperated in God's plan Jesus was born in the world. Because of her perfect trust we have hope in Jesus.

The foundational mystery of the Christian faith is the mystery of the Incarnation: the coming of the Son of God in fully human form. As we contemplate this mystery we come to understand that God so fully loves us and cares for us that he became one of us so that we can perfectly understand his love. It is important to understand that the mystery of the Incarnation is rooted in human cooperation: Mary said yes! This is important for us today; we are invited to offer our own profound YES. Because Mary said yes, she is honored by God with the privilege of being the first missionary. Even before Jesus is born Mary goes to visit her kinswoman Elizabeth: when Mary enters the house the still-unborn John the Baptist leaps for joy in Elizabeth's womb!

Mary's cooperation with God, her YES, is a part of the history of salvation, God's plan for salvation. In this season we are asked to respond YES to God's invitation to be part of God's continuing plan: the unfolding of the history of salvation leading to the final coming of Christ.

Cuarto Domingo de Adviento/ Navidad

En la lectura del Evangelio del cuarto domingo, escuchamos el relato de Lucas sobre el nacimiento de Cristo y la importancia de María en el misterio de la venida de Cristo al mundo. Debido a que María cooperó perfectamente en el plan de Dios, Jesús nació en el mundo. Debido a su perfecta confianza, tenemos nuestra esperanza en Jesús.

El misterio fundamental de la fe cristiana es el misterio de la Encarnación: la venida del Hijo de Dios en forma completamente humana. Al contemplar este misterio, llegamos a comprender que Dios nos ama y nos cuida de tal manera que se convirtió en uno de nosotros para que podamos entender perfectamente su amor. Es importante entender que el misterio de la Encarnación está enraizado en la cooperación humana: ¡María dijo que sí! Hoy esto es importante para nosotros; estamos invitados a ofrecer nuestro profundo Sí. Debido a que María dijo que sí, ella es honrada por Dios con el privilegio de ser la primera misionera. Incluso, antes de que nazca Jesús, María va a visitar a su parienta Isabel; cuando María entra a la casa, el aún no nacido Juan el Bautista salta de alegría en el vientre de Isabel.

La cooperación de María con Dios, su Sí, es parte de la historia de la salvación, el plan de Dios para la salvación. En esta época, se nos pide que respondamos Sí a la invitación de Dios para ser parte del plan continuo de Dios: el desarrollo de la historia de salvación que conduce a la venida final de Cristo.

