

St. Bartholomew's Church

CALENDAR - SPRING 2019

Every Sunday 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
 9:45 AM Healing Prayer at the Altar
 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist

Every Thursday 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist & Healing Service
 11:15 AM Bible Study in Parish Hall
 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (through June 6)

(through July;
resume Sept.)

Mondays, Thursdays & Fridays

12:30-2:30 PM Rector's Open Office Hours

3rd Sunday of each month (except July and August)

11:30 AM Vestry Meeting

1st Sunday of each month Outreach: CUMAC & Goshen Food Collection

Sunday, June 9 11:15 AM Coffee, Christianity & Conversation (see page 16)

Sundays, June 9 & 16

11:30 AM Children's Ministry Workshop

Sunday, June 23 11:15 AM Parish Picnic
 Choir Sunday
 Children's Ministry Workshop Presentation

Wednesdays, June 19 & 26

7:30 PM Healing Service

Wednesdays, July 24 & August 14

7:00 PM Summer Wednesdays on the Deck (see page 3)

Sunday, July 28 11:15 AM Garden Salad Party



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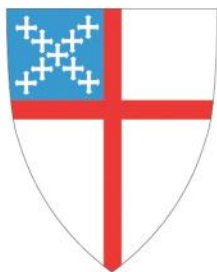
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St. Bartholomew's Church

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Summer
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COME AND SEE!

How time flies when you are having fun, doesn't it? I hope that your spirits have been lifted and faith strengthened as much as mine this past year. Since June 3, 2018, I believe that we have had very meaningful worship and fellowship experiences. The Parish Day of Discernment, our community garden, Farm to Table Dinner, Coffee-Christianity and Conversations, Gifted-Called-Sent, our Thursday morning healing service and bible study, and our Classical Concert to name a few.

Our children have shown us to be wonderful teachers as well as dedicated students in Children's Ministry Workshop. They offered us their Epiphany pageant, exploration of creation in their study of Genesis, and what they are working on now, how to prepare the way of the Lord, using their spiritual gifts. We were also blessed by our confirmands who designed our Youth Sunday worship service to

help bring attention to the cause of eliminating food scarcity through the power of prayer and action. Their successful food drive was gratefully received by the Center for Food Action. WOW! That's a lot for a year!

And now we enter the summer. Summer gives us the opportunity to **REFRESH, RENEW, and RECHARGE.**

Do you think you can experience the 3 R's? Commitment to the 3 R's is vitally important to our health and well-being, but unlike when we were children and things were done for us, we must take the time to plan and prepare these events and experiences. That, in and of itself, may seem to be a hard task but God has given us inspiration through his Holy Word, to guide us.

In Psalm 103 we read, "Praise the Lord...who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's."

In Mark 6:31, "Then Jesus suggested, 'Let's get away from the crowds for a while and rest.' For so many people were coming and going that they scarcely had time to eat."

Hebrews 4:9-11: "So there is a full complete rest still waiting for the people of God. Christ has already

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entered there. He is resting from his work, just as God did after the creation. Let us do our best to go into that place of rest, too, being careful not to disobey God as the children of Israel did."

The practice of resting is emphasized in the scriptures as needed for our health and creativity. God can provide all that we need for refreshment and renewal. My prayer for each of you is that you schedule time off this summer to do... nothing. To sleep in. To go on vacation. To read a book or go to the movies. To go to the beach or hike in the mountains, to go fishing, golfing, maybe play volleyball. To care for your garden or finish the quilt that's been on your to-do list for a year (that's one thing I hope to finally finish!). To sit out on a warm night with a glass of wine or a cup of tea and look up and enjoy the beauty of the stars. Your mind, body, and spirit will be rested, refreshed, and renewed, and you'll be more excited about what God has for you, your family and our congregation.

Deciding to make the change to stop the perpetual cycle of "doing, doing, doing" requires a deliberate decision to stop and take a break. Making rest and renewal as important as checking off all the tasks on our to-do list will have a positive impact on our lives. How we sustain ourselves emotionally and physically is vital to our well-being.

Something else that is vitally important to our lives is time spent in prayer, reflection and conversation with God. *In 2 Corinthians 5 we read, "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" In Isaiah 40: "Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength."*

God's desire is that while you are on this earth and in your body, you will be renewed in your spirit every day. We have been given the ability, through the Holy Spirit, to rest in

God's presence, and to experience his love. We can have the same experience as Paul wrote about in 2 Corinthians 4:16, *"inwardly we are renewed day by day"*.

So, how can we experience the renewal Paul speaks about? How do we rest in God's presence and open ourselves to the power and creativity that has been given to us since the moment of creation?

First, it starts with trusting that God will reveal his wisdom and love when we pray and meditate on the Word. In Jesus' prayer found in John 17:24-26, Jesus asks God to love us with the same love with which he loves Jesus. *"Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. "O righteous Father, although the world has not known You, yet I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me; and I have made Your name known to them, and will make it known, so that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them."*

That is a powerful prayer! Jesus wants all of us to share in the same intimacy with God that he does. When we make time to be with God, he will fill us with his presence. Trust that God will embrace you with open arms.

Also, very important in experiencing renewal is being present in worship. When we are present in worship, we experience a renewed sense of vision and purpose. If you travel this summer, find a church to worship in and share with our family some of their practices. God might have a word for us from the experiences found in other places of worship.

Finally, spend time reading God's Word, and let it fill your soul, change and inspire you to ask great questions, and receive the gift of knowledge that God promises to give when asked with an open heart.

Know that when you wake up every morning, God is waiting for you to spend time with him and to allow him the opportunity to reveal wisdom, creativity, and joy to you through the Holy Spirit. Whatever you choose to do this summer, I hope that you

make time to play and time to pray. I look forward to hearing all the great stories of **What I Did Over My Summer Vacation** and I also look forward to an exciting fall sharing ministry with each of you, refreshed, renewed and recharged!



God Bless You All—Rev. Cathie

Thursday morning healing service will be offered weekly at 10:30am during June and July. We will take a break in August and resume after Labor Day.

Wednesday evening healing service will be offered at 7:30pm on June 19 and 26.



Join us for **Summer Wednesdays on the Deck** at 7:00pm on July 24 and August 14. Conversation on Spiritual Topics followed by Eucharist under the stars. Refreshments will be served.

“Where We’re At” – Securing our New Rector, Volume VIII

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of our Vestry and our Search Discernment Committee, I am sharing with you “*Where We’re At Part VIII*”, in securing a new Rector as of this Summer B-Line.

Good News Everyone! After months of diligent work, the Search Discernment Committee (SDC) has finished the Parish Profile, presented to the Vestry which in turn approved the Parish Profile to be presented as it stands to the Diocese. The next step is for the SDC to make an appointment to present this Profile to the Canon of the Diocese. I know of this writing, Toby Winiarski is working on a mutual date for this meeting. For myself, I am hopeful that this meeting can be scheduled before the end of June. The posting of our Parish Profile within the Diocese’s website will be our official employment notification for a full time Rector. It is hopeful that the SDC could be conducting interviews of possible candidates before the next B-Line edition. Only through the SDC doing their due diligence, which includes searching and interviewing candidates, can our parish secure the right Rector for our parish. On behalf of our Vestry, I thank all of them for their time, efforts and dedication. I wish the committee a peaceful quest in presenting to the Vestry their choices for the next Rector of St. Bartholomew’s Church.

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“Where We’re At” – Securing our New Rector, Volume VIII (continued)

Meanwhile since my last writing, we have enjoyed a busy schedule of happenings in our parish. March, we were all treated to a wonderful Seder Supper through the excellent guidance of Linda De Niar who coordinated the event for us, and through Rev. Cathie’s leadership the night of the event. I thank both of you. April, we had a joyful Easter season which included a Good Friday service, Great Easter Saturday Vigil and our joyful Easter Sunday Service. May began with our Musical Concert in our Sanctuary to benefit our church’s Music Ministry. This concert featured Philip Inpil Hwang, tenor, and other musical guests with accompaniment by Soon Yeon Chung on organ and piano. Also, in May we welcomed our two newest members to our church; our two confirmands Katie Passaro and Lily Zachariah with a welcome reception during coffee hour, Rev. Cathie marched in Ho-Ho-Kus’s Memorial Day Parade and gave the benediction at the memorial service, and with parish volunteers we handed out water bottles to those participants that marched past the front of the church.

Before we all begin to experience our summer plans, there are some happy events and changes taking place in and around our parish. Most of you have already seen the changes to the front of the church. These changes are making way to replace the church’s front sign with a new and more visible sign announcing the presence of our church. We have removed the overgrown bushes in the center median area around where the new sign will be placed, as well as those that were in the front area of this median which will allow more visibility of our church to the passing public. The Vestry is anxiously awaiting the arrival of this new sign, the new lighting of the sign, and the garden to surround it. We know this new sign and landscaping will enhance and bring beauty to our church.

We have some fun events being planned in June and July which I hope you all can attend. June 23rd we will have our annual parish picnic in the backyard of the Rectory, and this year we will be welcoming the members of St. Alban’s Church of Oakland to join us. We have our garden salad party during coffee hour on July 28th; to enjoy the vegetables from our Community Garden. In addition, I can bet that there will be something fun planned for August! So be sure to stay in touch.

I encourage all of you to stay focused to your commitment to St. Bartholomew’s Church. We are continuing to grow and nurture our faith through Rev. Cathie’s leadership as our Interim Minister. Rev. Cathie’s leadership continues to guide us to remain strong in our basic ministry, as well as branching us out to think of new ideas and services for our parish as we move forward to the future of our church’s ministry.

And as we move forward in the mission of St. Bartholomew’s Church, I hope you continue to pray for our future, to support the members of our Vestry and Search Discernment Committee and Rev. Cathie Studwell, our Interim Minister. As always, should you have any individual concerns, the Vestry, Search Discernment Committee and I encourage your questions.

Communication, knowledge, strength and prayer is how we move forward as a Parish.

Blessings to each of you,

Kathy Gabrielle, Warden

QUARTERLY VESTRY FOCUS

Highlights from the Vestry Meetings January through April 2019

January: Treasurer Dave Ackerman reviewed the financial reports for year-end 2018 and the 2019 Proposed Budget. He projected a deficit in 2019. After discussion, Dave was asked to submit a revised budget for Vestry review and presentation at the Annual Meeting.

Music Director Soon Yeon Chung briefed the Vestry on the current state of the organ and pianos. Repairs were discussed as well as the prohibitive cost of a new organ.

Annual Reports were completed and submitted. At the annual meeting the wardens will remind the attendees that the current roster of vestry members will be maintained until a permanent minister has been hired.

Rev. Cathie Studwell updated the vestry on a number of her ongoing initiatives including “Coffee, Christianity, and Conversation,” periodic visits with AA, the Parish Directory, and others.

February: Dave reported unanticipated past-due pledge payments which will help our forecasted income.

Warden Kathy Gabrielle referenced the proposed role of a part-time Sexton and the need for the Vestry to approve the job description.

Search Discernment Committee co-chair Ghada Harb reported on the status of the Parish Profile and the need to have releases signed for use of children's pictures in it.

Rev. Cathie updated the Vestry on her ongoing initiatives and reviewed the calendar of Parish Life events. She and Kathy will visit the Ho-Ho-Kus train station to offer “Ashes To Go” on Ash Wednesday morning.

Kathy briefed the Vestry on various topics from the Diocesan Convention.

March: Dave commented on favorable income offset by slightly higher than forecast costs.

Church Leader University: Dave shared his favorable impressions of the Diocese's Church Leader University, commenting that St. Bart's needs to catch up on our use of technology. We need to attract a volunteer with strong social media skills. Cathie discussed the Small and Thriving Congregations topic, noting that the future of the church will be small churches. Rather than think we need to be like others, St. Bart's needs to create and pursue our own unique path.

Rev. Cathie reviewed upcoming initiatives, including Easter Week activities, confirmation of our candidates Katie and Lily, and the fundraising music concert.

The Vestry voted to outsource our payroll processing to ADP.

April: The Finance Committee reported that gains during the first quarter of the year increased our portfolio value by over \$13,800.

Wayne Kamidoi noted our lack of success in getting publicity in the Town Journal.

At Soon's request, the piano will be moved next to the choir pews for the May concert.

Rev. Cathie discussed upcoming activities including Youth Sunday, Children's Ministry Workshop, and the plan to again provide bottled water to the Memorial Day Parade participants.

Kathy Gabrielle agreed to canvass the Vestry on the proposal to hire a Sexton and to advertise the position through posters around the church.

Compiled from Vestry meeting minutes submitted by Jim Pierson, Clerk of the Vestry.

The Arts at St. Bart's

Classical Concert

Featuring Philip Inpil Hwang - Tenor



Thanks to Philip Inpil Hwang and our own Soon Yeon Chung, along with singers Eunjoo Huls and Edward Huls, violinist MyungSun Lee, and our choir, for a wonderful concert.

The May 10th concert featured songs ranging from classical pieces by composers Mendelssohn and Schubert, to modern songs including You Raise Me Up.

A fundraiser for St. Bartholomew's music ministry, the concert raised over **\$3,200**.

Thank you to everyone that supports The Arts at St. Bart's!

Photos provided by Soon Yeon Chung.

Luke 10 Ministry

Thanks to Paul Shackford and Amy Szurly from St. Andrew's Harrington Park for coming to speak to those that attended the March 25th meeting. Rev. Cathie will be speaking to everyone who attended the meeting to learn what they liked, had questions about and they believe we could use in our own ministry to the Ho-Ho-Kus community.

Many thanks to all that attended, and we will be sharing insights with the congregation in the fall.



On a frigid **ASH WEDNESDAY** morning, March 5, Warden Kathy Gabrielle and Rev. Cathie Studwell offered "Ashes to Go" at the Ho-Ho-Kus train station. Commuters waiting for their trains were pleasantly surprised by a warm "Good Morning" and an offer to administer ashes. About 10 accepted, and some asked about St. Bart's. We were glad we could brighten their day and establish good community relations.



Gifted Called Sent

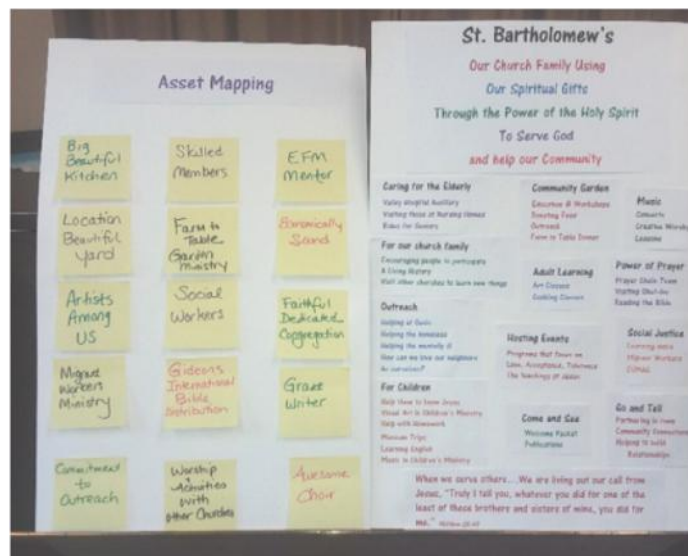
There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it.

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:4-7, 11-13



As we anoint our hands and celebrate our spiritual gifts, we seek the will of God for our ministry. Join us as we move forward with the many possibilities we identified during our Lenten Program.



Coming Soon



Our new sign is being made.

The sign will be mounted alongside Sheridan Avenue replacing the present sign and will be lighted at night. It is double sided so it can be read by traffic approaching from either direction. The shrubbery in the center median has been removed to give an unobstructive view of our church building.

The space in the center will list our website address, phone number, and Sunday service time.

We were blessed with a gift from the estate of Susan Troast Winiarski.

Please join with Toby and his family as we dedicate the sign on September 22, 2019.

Congratulations

Katie Passaro
Lily Zachariah



On their Confirmation
May 11, 2019

Katie and Lily began their confirmation classes in November of 2018. Their studies included Hebrew and Christian Scripture, Church History, Ethics, Prayer, the Book of Common Prayer, Anglican Communion, the Diocese of Newark and the history of St. Bartholomew's.

They attended a confirmation retreat and designed our liturgy which was offered on Youth Sunday, May 5th. Their outreach project focused on researching the problem of food scarcity and leading a food drive to support the Center for Food Action.

St. Bartholomew's is proud of Katie and Lily and will continue to help them as they grow in their relationship with God.



OUTREACH

Our Easter Drive brought in \$195 in donations, 31 bags of food and a promise of a gift certificate from ShopRite. They have graciously donated to all our Food Drives in the past and we are grateful they were able to come around again.

Our monthly Food Drives have been consistently bringing in an average of about 25 bags the first Sunday of every month. CUMAC weighs the bags and tells you in pounds which makes it sound like a lot more! The Easter Drive was 173 lbs.

Peggy Kievit has created an Outreach board in the Parish Hall. You will see updates on our programs - Oasis, Food drives, trips of diapers and toiletries for the migrant workers in Goshen, and our Community Garden.

We had a great planting recently - Ghada Harb always sustains us with coffee and bagels!

Many thanks to Judy Malhotra for her enthusiasm, tenacity and organizational skills for establishing our flower garden and our community vegetable/herb garden!

'The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.' - Mahatma Gandhi

Outreach - Lisa Wyession



Soup Sunday

Thanks to the many people who made soup on March 24 for our first Soup Sunday. We enjoyed a great lunch as well as raising \$193 for our Church.





Bible Study on Thursday mornings at 11:15am. You can come any time and get started. Everyone is welcome! We are studying the Gospel of Matthew.

Bring your Bibles and join us for an exciting time in the word of God!

OFFICE NOTES

By Ann Woods
Parish Administrator



Hello Everyone,
I hope all is well with you.

Payroll

After a thorough study, we have switched to ADP for our payroll needs. It was very important that we do this. They provide the expertise that is absolutely necessary in processing payroll accurately. The cost of doing payroll through ADP is less than it was costing us to do it ourselves through QuickBooks. This was only the case because of the Diocese's negotiated relationship with ADP which provided us with over a 70% discount on the monthly fee. Now we are receiving expert payroll service for less than we could do it on our own. YAY! I'm so thankful that the Wardens, Vestry and the Treasurer approved of this change, and I'm so grateful to God for making this all fall into place. We are so blessed.

Service Schedule

Please speak with Rev. Cathie to learn about which service team will be the best fit for you. Please contact Kathy Gabrielle kgabrie396@aol.com, with scheduling questions.

Property Use

We can offer our Parish Hall to parishioners for parties, wedding receptions and other family activities. For details, please contact Kathy Gabrielle kgabrie396@aol.com.

Fundraising

The Community Thrift Shop in Midland Park.

85 Godwin Ave, Suite 33, Midland Park, NJ 07432, (201-652-7661)

Donation Days: Mondays and the 1st Saturday of the month 10am-2pm.

How your donation helps. You drop off **items marked with #43**. St. Bart's receives a quarterly check for 30% of the sales of items marked with #43. Thank you for your donations.

Office Hours – Summer 2019

most Mondays & Fridays from 7:30am-12:30pm

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NEWS FROM THE ST. BART'S COMMUNITY GARDEN

"God Almighty first planted a garden. And indeed, it is the purest of human pleasures." Francis Bacon

St. Bart's Gardeners have been busy and full of excitement. We met in the spring to identify what we would like to achieve in our second year of growing our community garden.



- Share our harvest with those in need.
- Involve the community with our garden through participation, education on benefits of organic gardening.
- Fellowship by sharing our love of gardening with other members of the congregation caring for the garden.

Here is what we have been up to:

- We visited twice with other community gardeners in the area; specifically the Church of the Presentation in Upper Saddle River and expanded on our knowledge to enhance our garden this year and future years.
- We have connected with Oasis Soup Kitchen to arrange our harvest donations.
- We increased our garden size by adding 3 large raised beds.
- We reached the Girl Scouts in Ho-Ho-Kus and they were excited to sponsor one of the raised beds as they plant, weed and learn about gardening.
- We are also looking to involve the Ho-Ho-Kus Waldwick Cooperative School to sponsor our herb garden.

As we all continue to be inspired with our connection with our community garden we hope to continue to expand on the concept of Gifted-Called-Sent. We already can see it sprouting as our gardeners are utilizing their own gifts and resources to benefit the garden.

Here are some of the gifts shared:

- Generosity in donations of dirt, manure, peat moss, plants, refreshments.
- Sharing of gardening knowledge, research on best gardening tips and let's not forget all the precious time everyone is investing in the project.
- Helping hands in building the raised beds, shoveling, tilling, weeding the dirt to prepare the garden for our BIG day of planting on May 18th.
- Connecting with the community to share our garden.

The love and caring that all these wonderful gardeners exhibit is inspiring and fills ones heart with joy. We are truly blessed to have such a caring group of people that make up our beloved little church. Can't wait to see how God will continue to guide us through this project.

"It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his garden. It grew and became a tree, and the birds perched in its branches."
Luke 13:19

Love to all, and God Bless our Garden

Judy Malhotra & Ghada Harb

On Garden Sunday, May 19, the garden was blessed by Rev. Cathie Studwell and two of the gardeners, Ghada Harb and Joan Lupardo.





The Children's Ministry Workshop
At St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

The **Children's Ministry Workshop** offers opportunities to apply the study of scripture to make the world a better place starting in our own community.

Students are encouraged to take scripture themes and explore the sacred texts, music, creativity, service and worship.

These pictures are from their study of selected sections of the book of Genesis. They are working on sections of the Gospel of Luke along with learning about their spiritual gifts.



LOOKING FOR A PART TIME JOB??

Employment Opportunity at St. Bartholomew's Church

Handyman (Sexton)

2 days a week (7 hrs total) \$15.00 per hour

Contact Church Office 201-444-5025 or StBartsHHK@aol.com

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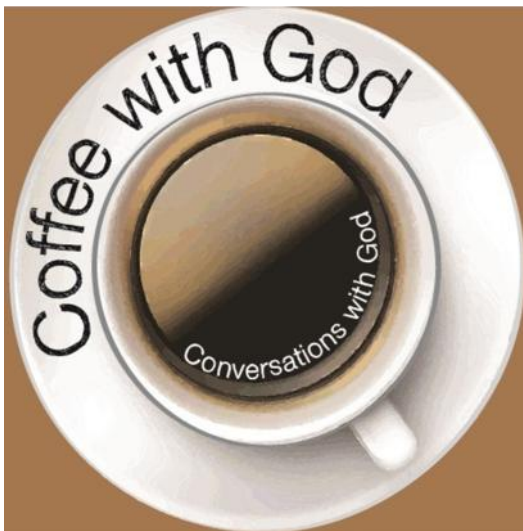
Join us for Fellowship at St. Bart's Choir & Children's Ministry Sunday

June 23-Sunday Parish Picnic at 11:15am

We will join for worship and fellowship
with St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Oakland/Franklin Lakes.

July 28-Sunday Garden Salad Party at 11:15am

Enjoy the gifts of our garden.



Coffee, Christianity, & Conversation

A space for learning and open dialog
on topics that educate, enlighten and
shape our faith and prepare us to
share the love of God in the world.

Join us on June 9th during coffee hour.
**The June topic is ~ The Back of the Book
(of Common Prayer).**

Join us again in September.



Memorial Day in Ho-Ho-Kus

For the second year, St. Bart's handed out water bottles to the Ho-Ho-Kus Memorial Day Parade marchers and spectators. On this warm sunny day the bottles were popular, especially with the Cub Scouts.



Rev. Cathie marched in the parade with Rev. Richard Bierwas, pastor of the Ho-Ho-Kus Community Church, and at the memorial service following the parade she gave the benediction.



Social Media Advisor Needed

Do you know someone who has a gift for video and livestreaming? As we increase our social media presence we need help in this area. A great opportunity for community service credits. Please talk to Rev. Cathie.

Holy Week 2019 at St. Bartholomew's

PALM SUNDAY



GOOD FRIDAY



GREAT VIGIL

EASTER SUNDAY



We thank those who helped make Easter Week a time of reflection, meditation and joy:

Singers Philip Inpil Hwang and Rosa Chang, our choir under music director Soon Yeon Chung, trumpeter Michael Ponella, acolyte Annie Thurston, and our layreaders, lectors, ushers, and collection counters.

And the Studwell family who hung the banners and ribbons from the rafters!



Holy Week 2019 at St. Bartholomew's

SEDER SUPPER



Our annual Seder Supper, supervised by Linda De Niear, was a great success. Rev. Cathie and Fred Karl read the order of service, "grill master" Toby Winiarski carved the lamb, and everyone enjoyed the delicious meal prepared according to Biblical recipes. And afterwards a crew including Ghada Harb and Jennifer Kenny cleaned up the Parish Hall.





Prayer Requests

Kindly keep the following parishioners and friends in your prayers:

Terry, Sherri, Susie, Isabelle, Jeana, Michelle, Virginia, Joan, Allan, Lesli, Tony, Debbie, Audrey, Mike, Bob, Margaret, Jennifer, Mikela, Mary, Valerie, Allen, Judy, Maryanne, Allen, Madeline, Peter, Leo, Frank, Karen, Judy, Tiffani, Mae, Paula, Alfred, Sal, Kathy

For the loss of James Vandervalk and
all families suffering from the loss of a loved one.

Our Wardens, Vestry and Search Discernment Committee,
and all Parish members needing prayer.

*Please remember in your prayers the friends and families of
our parishioners and neighbors who are serving in the military:*

Bobby, USA

Please contact the Church office at 201-444-5025 or StBartsHHK@aol.com
if you would like a name added to or deleted from the prayer list.



Prayer for St. Bartholomew's Family

Dear Triune God, our Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We thank you for the love that you give to your children and your constant presence in our lives. We thank you for the gifts and talents that you have given to each of us.

We believe that because of God's love for us he sent Jesus to be the ultimate sacrifice for our sins so that we may have eternal life. We know that we are called to be the light of Christ to those in need. We ask for wisdom as we move forward seeking to know your will for our church family. We ask for courage so that we can boldly share the good news, loving our neighbor as ourselves.

Keep us united as a family. Please guide, protect, and equip us to do your will each and every day. And in the name of your son Jesus Christ, we promise to use our gifts and talents to bring honor and glory to you all the days of our lives.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Day of Discernment - September 29, 2018

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BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES (previous page)

If your birthday or anniversary, or your children's birthdays, are not listed in the B-Line, please contact us at 201-444-5025, or StBartsHHK@aol.com, or 70 Sheridan Avenue, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423.

For security purposes, the birthday and anniversary page has been excluded from the version on our website.

Youth Sunday

Our Youth Sunday celebration featured worship that was designed by our candidates for confirmation, Katie Passaro and Lily Zachariah.



The theme of their worship was prayers for ending hunger in our community. In their study of The Book of Common Prayer we discussed the power of words and how we use them in our prayers.

These are the Prayers of the People that Katie and Lily wrote.

We pray for those who because they have nothing, they fear everything

We pray for those who suffer through the pain and humiliation of bullying that they have support and be strong

We pray for those who find their identity only on social media. May they know how special they are in God's eyes and the gifts they have to offer to the world

We pray for those that are unable to make their own choices and feel pressured by those around them. Help them to know that they are valued and loved

We pray for our families that they always stay close and care for each other

We pray for our country that we remember the joy of talking to each other without the fear of fighting

We pray for the health and safety of our pets and thank you for the joy they give to us

