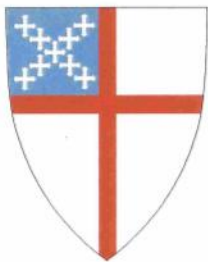


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## CALENDAR - FALL 2021

We have resumed some in-person activities, but others are still taking place electronically. Zoom activities are by invitation and a link will be emailed. Conference calls can be made to 339-209-6277.

Here are our services and activities for September and October. Activities for November and beyond will be announced via email, Facebook and website.

### **Sundays**

10:00 AM      Worship Service - in person or Live Stream via Zoom,  
Facebook and YouTube

### **Selected Sundays**

11:15 AM      Worship in the Garden, weather permitting

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

11:30 AM      Vestry Meeting

### **Monday through Saturday**

9:15 - 9:45 AM      Morning Prayer (via conference call)

### **Thursdays beginning Sept. 16**

10:30 - 11:30 AM      Thursday Bible Study (via conference call) (see pg. 9)

### **4th Saturday of each month**

10:45 AM - 12:15 PM      Food Drive in the front parking lot (see pg. 6)

**Sunday, Sept. 12**      Welcome Back Sunday

**Sunday, Sept. 19**      Celebrating the Life of April Gabrielle

**Sunday, Sept. 26**      Youth Sunday (see pg. 11)

**Sunday, Oct. 3**      Blessing of the Animals (see pg. 6)

### **Sunday, Oct. 10**

2:00 PM      Jazz Concert (see pg. 12-13)



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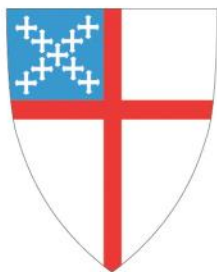
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# St. Bartholomew's Church

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### Rev. Cathie's Reflections

In Matthew's Gospel we read about Jesus calming a storm, "Late that day he said to them, 'Let's go across to the other side.' They took him in the boat as he was. Other boats came along. A huge storm came up. Waves poured into the boat, threatening to sink it. And Jesus was in the stern, head on a pillow, sleeping! They roused him, saying, 'Teacher, is it nothing to you that we're going down?' Awake now, he told the wind to pipe down and said to the sea, 'Quiet! Settle down!' The wind ran out of breath; the sea became smooth as glass. Jesus reprimanded the disciples: 'Why are you such cowards? Don't you have any faith at all?'" (The Message-Mark 4:35-40)

As I write this article, we have just returned from a vacation week in Ocean Grove. We love the Jersey Shore and especially Ocean Grove. As we arrived, we were met by the roaring ocean due to the impact of Hurricane Henri. Thank God Ocean Grove did not have any substantial damage from the storm, but the sea was, what people call, "angry."



As I watched from the boardwalk I wondered if the sea was angry or simply responding to the force of the wind on the water? Determined to remerge as a place to welcome people to rest, reflect and play on its shores, the ocean seemed to say, I need to get through this, and I will, so we can be together again.

The significance of Jesus calming the storm is pertinent to what's happening in our world today and is evidence of God's love for us. Jesus wanted people to know that yes there would be fear as storms raged in our lives, but he would always be with us to provide and protect even in our darkest hours.

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on our lives. The storms of the pandemic are both internal and external. The intense surges of emotion within us are due to our humanity while the chaotic circumstances around us seem to be beyond our control. I'm sure that all of us

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on some level can relate to the disciples' fears and their amazement as Jesus calmed the storm.

Like the disciples, fear continues to grip many people's hearts as we now face the Delta variant of the COVID virus. All of us during this pandemic are feeling our humanity deeply as fear continues to sweep across the world like a dark cloud.

Jesus was human too and he understood fear, but his knowledge and love of God gave him the power to overcome it.

*"It was for people like us, children of Abraham. That's why he had to enter into every detail of human life. Then, when he came before God as high priest to get rid of the people's sins, he would have already experienced it all himself – all the pain, all the testing – and would be able to help where help was needed."* (The Message -Hebrews 2:17-18)

After Jesus calmed the storm, he asked the disciples where their faith was. This is a good question for us to ask ourselves as COVID-19 rages on. There are times during this COVID storm that we all rage with anger over the many disruptions in our lives. There are times where we grieve the loss of the many people who have died. There are times when we might feel that God has abandoned us.

Yes, Jesus, in his painful time in the Garden of Gethsemane asked of God, "Why have you forsaken me?" Jesus knows how we feel, and Jesus is standing by us. If the fear in us is stronger than our faith, we can turn to God, and he'll teach us because his mercy endures forever.

God remembered us when we were down,  
*His love never quits.*

Rescued us from the trampling boot,  
*His love never quits.*

Takes care of everyone in time of need,  
*His love never quits.*

Thank God, who did it all! *His love never quits!*

(The Message-Psalm 36:23-26)

Even in these trying times, while the seas rage, we have a call and a mission. Our mission is to continue to work together to give witness through our words and actions that the kingdom of God is ours. It is our life, our blessing, our peace, our protection and it is for all the children of God.

We will come through this storm together. Some things will be the same and others will change, but if we keep the Word of God as our foundation and we continue to study and be open to the revelations that God wants us to have we will be ready to welcome people to be in fellowship together in-person again.

The apostle Paul writes in Colossians 3:1-2, *"So if you're serious about living this new resurrection life with Christ, act like it. Pursue the things over which Christ presides. Don't shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with the things right in front of you. Look up and be alert to what is going on around Christ – that's where the action is."* (The Message)

Jesus urges us to keep focused on our God and His purpose for us even during the storms of life and be confident that the sun, **and the Son**, will shine upon our shores.



*Blessings and Love,*  
*Rev. Cathie+*

*Photos by Jay (hurricane) and Cathie (sunshine) Studwell*



## **QUARTERLY VESTRY FOCUS**

### ***Highlights from the Vestry Meeting May 2021***

*NOTE: June 2021 Vestry minutes have not been approved yet, so therefore not included in this summary.*

#### **Treasurer:**

Dave Ackerman reported that our investments did well in April, and with the first PPP Loan being forgiven, it helped turn a \$15,900 loss in March into a \$10,300 gain in April. Vestry was given the approved Balance Sheet and Operating Account figures from January and the 2021 Budget figures of April for one final review before our May 2021 Annual meeting. The Vestry was informed that for our June meeting, our parish administrator, Ann Woods will address the Vestry on the restricted funds budget.

#### **Community Garden / Pollinator Garden:**

The garden committee reported they are preparing the garden for our 2021 harvest season with donations by Home Depot, Rohslers of Allendale, Waldwick Gardens, and plants by parishioners. The Rectory tenants have been provided a schedule of the weekly work times in the garden, with planting to begin May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Some plants in the Pollinator Garden did not come back yet, so the garden team is working with Mari Kamidoi to investigate what is better suited for this area. Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021, work will begin on the layout and installation of the donated inscribed pavers for the Pollinator Garden.

#### **Outreach:**

Lisa Wyssession stated we had a good diaper drive on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and that our next food drive for Oasis is May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Discussion on the need to advertise more on the need for “toiletries” when we do our next Goshen collection.

#### **Building and Grounds:**

Our building sexton, Bill Hughes, is working on the painting of the repaired area of the Rector's office from a water leak, the front garden American Flag has been replaced, and the outside water faucets have been opened in anticipation of the upcoming community garden and other garden watering.

#### **Rev. Cathie:**

- Children's Ministry is hard to do using Zoom meetings, but it is coming along. The children are presently working on “I Am Statements.”
- No date yet for Confirmation, other than it should be Fall 2021.
- Celebration of New Ministry is planned for Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021; 100 people are allowed to attend. Invitations will be sent first to our Parishioners, then to the public.

#### **Od Business:**

- **Vestry Exact Commissions:** Class of 2021 will be Judy Malhotra – Outreach, Peggy Kievit – Evangelism, Michael Gnerre – Technology, Ghada Harb – Warden and Worship, Wayne Kamidoi – Marketing, Lisa Wyssession – Hospitality, Kathy Gabrielle – Warden and Building/Grounds,
- **The AA Group:** The Vestry reconfirmed that our AA group is allowed usage of our parking lot, and the wearing of masks is required.
- **The B-Line Cover** will be updated after Annual Meeting.
- **New Directory:** Overhauling of listing into categories of Members and Friends. 66 Families noted as members and 87 as friends.
- **HR (Human Resources):** Presented the Vestry with the guidelines to the church's employment policy for view and vote in June.

#### **New Business:**

- **Sunday Service Tributes:** Instead of Sunday flower donations, we will offer “in memory of” honor services.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Kathy Gabrielle, Warden



## *Celebration of New Ministry*



On Sunday, June 21, we celebrated the New Ministry of The Reverend Cathie Sklenar-Studwell. Rev. Cathie had officially become the Tenth Rector of St. Bartholomew's a year earlier but the ceremony was postponed due to the pandemic.

The ceremony, presided over by The Right Reverend Carlye J. Hughes, Eleventh Bishop of Newark, took place on a beautiful day on our Rectory grounds. The worship space was designed by the Rev. Kathryn L. King of St. Alban's in Oakland / Franklin Lakes.



## *Celebration of New Ministry*



*Above left, wardens Ghada Harb and Kathy Gabrielle present Rev. Cathie with a stole, a traditional gift for a new ministry. This stole had been purchased a year earlier and was waiting for the right time to be presented.*

*Above right, Bishop Hughes celebrates the Eucharist.*



*Center left, our augmented choir: Dave Gabrielle, Rita Gnerre, Andrew Sommerfeld, Catherine Sommerfeld, Michael Gnerre, Pam Miller, Tony Fletcher, Jennifer Kenny and Ann Woods, with music director Soon Yeon Chung and guest trumpeter Michael Ponella.*

*Bottom, some of the participants and visiting clergy:*

Rev. Tom Matthews, Rev. Mark Collins, Rev. Kathryn King, Rev. Paul Young, Bishop Carlye Hughes, Rev. Cathie Studwell, Rev. Andy Olivio, Rev. Sharon Sheridan-Hausman, Canon Andrew Wright, Toby Winiarski.

**Sunday, October 3, 2021**



The blessing will take place after worship. All creatures great and small are welcome to worship and then receive their blessing after church.

You can drive by or walk up for your blessing. Join us to pray for and celebrate these special members of our church family.

**Tell all your four legged or winged friends to stop by for a blessing. All Are Welcome!**



### FOOD COLLECTION

To benefit **OASIS - A Haven for Women & Children**

10:45-12:15 on the Fourth Saturday of Each Month  
Front Driveway, St. Bart's, 70 Sheridan Ave., Ho-Ho-Kus

***Let us serve God by serving those in need.***

**ITEMS NEEDED:** Bottled Water, Individually Wrapped Snacks, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Cans of Soup, Tuna, Chili, Pasta, Rice, Boxes of Mac and Cheese, Cereal, Oatmeal, Tomato Sauce, Diapers, Crayons, Colored Pencils, Pencils, Sharpeners, Sketchbooks



# *We Need Your Help*

## *Each one of us has gifts to share*

*Two people are better off than one,  
for they can help each other succeed. Ecclesiastes 4:9*



**Outreach      Parish Life      Planning**  
**Worship      Fundraising**  
**Community Garden      Technology**  
**Youth Ministry      Arts Ministry**

For our Sunday services, we especially can use more **Collection Counters** and **Lectors**. These are not difficult jobs, and you would be scheduled only about once a month.

A **Counter** stays after the service and counts the money received plus what has come in during the week. He or she opens the offering envelopes and writes the amount on each one. Any loose checks are recorded on a counting sheet along with the total of the envelopes. The checks are endorsed and a deposit ticket is filled out. The job seldom takes more than 15 or 20 minutes.

A **Lector** stands at the lectern and reads the Lesson and Epistle and leads the congregation in the Psalm. The texts of these are emailed to the Lector several days before the service so the Lector can get familiar with them. Usually the reading and psalm takes less than 5 minutes.

*Please talk to Rev. Cathie for more information.*

## OFFICE NOTES

By Ann Woods  
Parish Administrator



Hello Everyone,

I hope all is well with you and your loved ones!

What a wonderful summer. I hope you had time to get outside and enjoy the warm weather.

Donation Update: We have resumed the “Weekly” donation frequency option in VANCO. YAY!

If you haven’t signed up for touch free automatic giving, please check out the “Pledge/Donate” tab at the top of our website, [stbartshhk.com](http://stbartshhk.com). It is an easy and private way to make your pledge payments and other donations to St. Bart’s. Thank you so much for your support!

Audit Update: We have successfully completed the 2020 Audit. YAY! A BIG thank you to Jack Konzelmann, our auditor. He donates his time and professional services to ensure we are audited every year. What a great gift of talent to our parish family, and a tremendous savings for our budget. Thank you Jack, you are a pleasure to work with.

PPP Loan Update: We will be filing for the PPP #2 loan forgiveness soon. We are so grateful for the forgiveness of the PPP #1 loan. We pray for full forgiveness of the PPP #2 loan. It has been a much needed financial support.

**REMINDER:** We changed the church e-mail address to [stbartshhk@gmail.com](mailto:stbartshhk@gmail.com).

Please use this address going forward. And make sure you save it as a contact in your e-mail account. All outgoing e-mails will now be coming from this gmail account.

Fundraising Update: We continue to receive nominal income from The Community Thrift Shop. To improve our fundraising income, please donate your household items.

The Community Thrift Shop in Midland Park.

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

Donation Days: Mondays and the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 – Fall 2021

most Tuesdays & Fridays from 9 am–2 pm  
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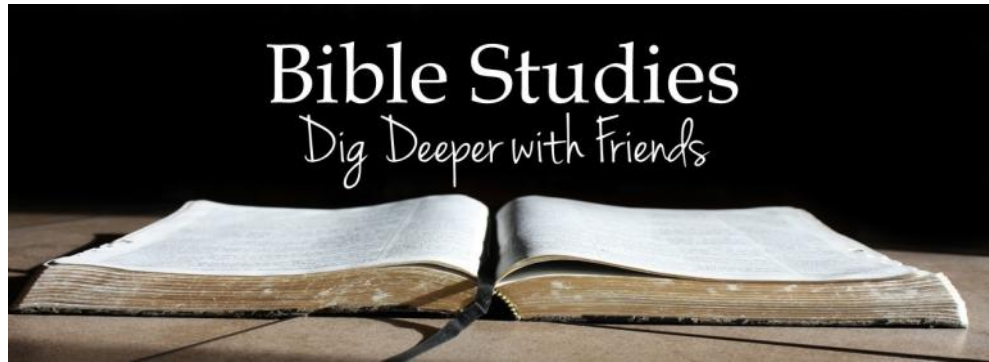
## JUNE MARKEL

June Markel died on August 12, 2021 at age 92. Born and raised in Hartford, Connecticut, she married her high school sweetheart Joe, and after a few years in New England they moved to Upper Saddle River where they raised their children. June began teaching in the USR school system, and moved on to full-time one-on-one teaching of students with special needs. She and her family were members of St. Bartholomew’s for many decades.

June is survived by six children and their spouses, 12 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. A private service will be held at a later date.

# Adult Formation at St. Bartholomew's

## Journey With Paul-A Study of Romans



We will resume Thursday Bible Study on **September 16<sup>th</sup>**.

We meet from 10:30-11:30  
via Conference Call 339-209-6277.

All are welcome, no prior knowledge of Romans required.

*Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed  
by the renewing of your mind. Romans 2*



Your editor was honored to receive this year's **David Paul Hegg II Lifetime Achievement Award**. This award is given annually to senior citizens in the Diocese of Newark "for their many significant contributions of time and talent to church and community."

Every year each parish in the Diocese can recognize one or more persons through this award. This year there were nearly 100 recipients, and in the 24-year history of the award, close to 1,500 persons have been recognized.

As a St. Bart's member since my Sunday School days, I am honored to join this group of long-time hard-working Episcopalians who have devoted themselves to serving God and the community.

Dave A.



## FAMILY ACTIVITIES



After the Sunday service on August 15, we recognized Mari Kamidoi, the creator of our Pollinator Garden. In the fall, Mari is attending the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor and majoring in Art and Design.

From left: father Wayne, sisters Eve and Mari, mother Kathy. Mari's shirt reads "Take me where the wildflowers are" and Eve's shirt has nine different flowers.

On Saturday, August 14th there was a tribute to life celebration in honor of April Gabrielle in Breckenridge, Colorado.

Among the family, friends and co-workers that came, it was so gracious of Rachel (Kreller) and her husband Matt Helm who live in Colorado to join us as we celebrated the memory of our dear daughter.

From left: Dave, Matt, Rachel, Kathy.

*Kathy and Dave Gabrielle*



## OUTREACH/OASIS UPDATE

We have made several deliveries to the Oasis soup kitchen of wonderful, organic and lovingly grown vegetables from our St. Bart's Community Garden. They are always so grateful to receive these special gifts and the cooks there can turn anything into a gourmet meal to feed the multitudes.

Diapers and art supplies are always welcomed and it is such a good feeling those last Saturdays of the month when I can deliver a packed car full of all the bounty you and our HHK community have given at our Food Drive.

We will be needing volunteers in the near future, one day only, to help with "Stencil Painting" on the new addition at Oasis. A wonderful ROOF GARDEN has been built on the third floor and it has three 8' cement walls that are just begging to be decorated! I volunteered, along with many others, to stencil the barricades that surround the outdoor dining areas in Ridgewood (see photo



below). When these were completed, I asked for the stencils and all the paints so that we could do something similar for Oasis. It's really easy and takes only a desire to paint (no artistic training required).

I will be sending out more information on this project soon. It is, once again, an opportunity for St. Bart's to help our Paterson neighbor and to have a chance to be together.

*Blessing to you, from Judy*



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

Children's Ministry Workshop completed their study of the seven "I am" statements of Jesus at the end of June. All of our youth will participate in the worship service designed by our confirmation candidates that will be offered on September 26.

The next unit for CMW will be offered in October. The details are still being worked out and will be published in the bulletin as the time nears.

### **Confirmation Class Update**

We have three people preparing for confirmation. Please keep Eve Kamidoi, Trista Metzler, and Matt Studwell in your prayers. They have completed their academic studies and served our community during the Ho-Ho-Kus clean up day.

They are currently working to develop their worship service offering to take place on September 26.

The latest update is that their confirmation will take place in the fall.

I will keep you informed as I learn more.

We've been taking advantage of the warm weather to move some of our activities outside. Weather permitting, we'll have a fresh-air version of our traditional Coffee Hour after the 10 AM Sunday service.



Then on selected Sundays at 11:15 AM we have held a worship service on our beautiful Rectory grounds. Here, Music Director Soon Yeon Chung (at the end of a 100 foot extension cord for her keyboard) provides music for the service conducted by Rev. Cathie, with Lector Toby Winiarski.

# St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

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## Our 1st Annual Sunday Jazz Concert



The Great American Songbook

featuring

The Joe McCaffrey Quartet

with Emily Lucas on Vocals

Spend a wonderful Sunday Afternoon  
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Light Refreshments & a Chance to  
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**Sunday, October 10th, 2021**

**2 to 4 pm**

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\$20 student

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Click on "Pledge-Donate" then "Pledge-Donate-  
Offering" and fill out the form.

Or mail a check to the church by October 6.

No tickets will be sold at the door.





## St. Bart's First Annual Jazz Concert

St. Bart's will hold its First Annual Jazz Concert on Sunday, October 10, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. The event is a fundraiser for our church's many outreach programs. Performing will be Joe McCaffrey and His Quartet with Emily Lucas providing vocals. They will be playing songs from the Great American Songbook. Light refreshments will be served after the concert and attendees will have an opportunity to meet Joe and the other performers.

Tickets, which are limited to one hundred attendees, are \$25 for adults and \$20 for students. To purchase tickets, visit the St. Bart's website at <http://www.stbartshhk.com> or mail a check to the church by October 6. Tickets will not be sold at the door on the date of the concert.

The performers are graduates or current students at William Paterson University. They include:

**Joe McCaffrey** - Drummer Joe McCaffrey began honing his craft with pots and pans in the kitchen. His affinity for music apparent, his parents soon purchased him his first drum kit, and thus the career of a drummer was born. Upon enrolling at William Paterson University, McCaffrey became enamored with the sounds of jazz, and it is in the jazz scene that he has begun etching his name. Now a graduate of WPU, he looks forward to a lifetime devoted to music.

**Alex Delazzari** - Born in Italy, saxophonist Alex Delazzari moved to the US when he was a young boy. He cut his teeth on the streets of Washington, DC, but gravitated to New York for its sovereign jazz scene. A graduate of William Paterson University, Delazzari absorbs as much as he can from all New York has to offer, and his vast knowledge of the music can be heard in his playing.

**Elliot Bernard** - The tinkling sounds of Elliot Bernard's piano first migrated from Virginia to New Jersey in Fall 2018, but already his piano can be heard all through the tri-state area. Rooted in the tradition of pianists such as Bud Powell and Oscar Peterson, Bernard is a senior at William Paterson University and an up-and-coming star on the New York scene.

**Matt Holmes** - Hailing from the hills of West Virginia, Matt Holmes came to the Garden State in Fall 2018 and has been in demand as a bassist ever since. With infectious groove, melodic soloing and an amicable attitude, his senior year at William Paterson University is sure to be only the beginning of an illustrious career.

**Emily Lucas** is a jazz, soul, and classical vocalist native to the Asbury Park area. While studying at William Paterson University under Nancy Marano, she has been touring with the Motown band Total Soul, traveling across the East Coast. This summer, she made her jazz debut with the Garden State Jazz Orchestra, and began studying under Catherine Russell.

William Paterson University is known for its Jazz Program, which attracts students from all over the United States and around the world. Among the members of its renowned faculty are Bill Charlop, who won a Grammy with Tony Bennett several years ago.

We look forward to seeing our parishioners and friends at what promises to be a fun afternoon filled with beautiful songs from the past, played by some very talented young musicians.

*Toby Winiarski*

## THE ST. BART'S POLLINATOR GARDEN PAVERS

We have a new addition to our Garden. When Mari Kamidoi created the wonderful Pollinator Garden for St. Bart's, we knew it would be a very special place. Not only do the bees and butterflies it attracts help pollinate our nearby vegetable garden, it also will provide a place for meditation and reflection in the future.

That was where the idea for seating was born. By creating individual paving stones donated by parishioners, we were able to fund the materials for creating the two concrete stools for people to sit on while they admire the wildflowers.

Bill, our sexton, and his father generously donated their time and labor to help pour the concrete stools, and a good friend named Sean brought his power tool to help grind down the edges. It does take a village!

Below you will see the process for creating this new area. We hope you take some time to have a seat and relax. Just remember to please send a simple, quick text to our tenants in the rectory that you are there. Their cell number is hanging under the arbor. ENJOY!



If you would like to have a paver designated for your family, please reach out to us. We have left some blank ones to be used by our Parishioners.

*Submitted by St. Bart's artist & designer Judy Malhotra*

## GUY GOLDTHORPE

Guy Goldthorpe passed away on August 8, 2021 at age 68, after a brief but valiant battle with cancer. He was a long-time Upper Saddle River resident and owner of Dovetail Fine Woodworking. The Goldthorpe family were members of St. Bartholomew's in the 1970s and 1980s. Guy is survived by his sister Lani and many friends who attended a memorial service at St. Bartholomew's on August 17.

## COMMUNITY GARDEN

Welcome back to the garden! As you can see from the pictures below, our St. Bart's Community Garden is bursting forth. Zucchini was the first to show its face, and the yellow squash is not far behind. One green pepper so far, but multiple tiny little baby peppers have emerged.

Chives are there waiting to be pulled out and eaten, basil is ready to be picked, and our tomatoes have been staked and are growing tall. Kale is abundant and ready to harvest...the more you pick, the more the plant will produce. Japanese eggplants are growing into long, beautiful, purple vegetables.

The rains were a blessing, except for the weeds they brought with it. A hardy few helpers came and cleared the weeds and our beds are looking pristine once again. However, helpers are still needed Saturday mornings to keep those weeds in check. That rich black dirt is a joy to behold!

*Text and photos by our Garden Team*



**ZUCCHINI** - introduced to Europe by Columbus - having been cultivated in South America for over 5,000 years. First known as *courgettes d-italie* - now best known from the Italian name 'zucca' meaning squash - still referred to as *courgettes* by the French.

If vegetables only have blossoms and no fruit - one may need more pollinator plants nearby. Lucky for us we have Mari's garden next door! Zucchini have ample amounts of Vitamin A, Vitamin C and antioxidants as long as prepared with skin on. They are best fresh from the vine and into the frying pan! They pair well with chives, basil and eggplants (aubergines) which are on the way!

**Lisa Wyession**

In our last issue we asked what was the significance of this date carved over the entrance to our church. Well, that's the year the building was built. But not as a church. It began life as a one-room schoolhouse on Hollywood Avenue west of Sheridan Ave. Around the turn of the 20th century religious services began to be held there, and in 1904 the Ho-Ho-Kus Mission Association was formed as a mission of Christ Church in Ridgewood. Ten years later, on September 14, 1914, the Bishop of Newark approved the establishment of a parish to be known as St. Bartholomew's Church, and regular services were held in the former schoolhouse for many years.



St. Bartholomew's around 1914

In 1930 a Parish House was built on Sheridan Avenue on property donated to St. Bart's. After many years of debate over building a new church, in 1948 the former schoolhouse was moved to Sheridan Ave. and attached to the Parish House.

Over the years the church and Parish House have been expanded and modernized. But when you worship on Sunday, you're sitting in the original 1871 schoolhouse! Thus we observe the building's 150th Anniversary in 2021.



## Support St. Bartholomew's



### Purchase Stop and Shop Gift Cards

St. Bartholomew's makes 5% on all purchases.

Cards sold during fellowship time on Sunday and at Oasis Food Drives.

For more information, please call the church office.

### Order Our Cookbook

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**We can all do our part to help the ministries of our church.**

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You can put your offering envelope in the collection plate at our Sunday service.

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You can mail your check to St. Bartholomew's Church, 70 Sheridan Ave, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423.

But the easiest way is to donate on line. You can make a one-time payment, or better, set up a **weekly or monthly donation**. It's easy to do: just go to our website, **stbartshhk.com**, click on Pledge-Donate, and fill out the form. Then you won't have to remember to write a check - your donation will be automatically deducted from your bank account each time. Try it!

## MEMORIAL DAY PARADE



The Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus held its annual Memorial Day parade on May 31, 2021 (after skipping 2020 due to the pandemic). Our warden Ghada Harb (left), husband Mike Egbert (second from right) and Mike's son Michael, daughter-in-law Jill and granddaughter Nora cheered the participants as they passed by our sandwich board tribute in front of St. Bart's.

The fire truck is a 1937 Ahrens-Fox, a mainstay of the HHK Fire Department for over 25 years. Two decades after it was sold, a former resident spotted it in a Houston, Texas parade. A three-year fundraising campaign resulted in "The Fox" returning home in 1984. FD members restored and are maintaining it, and it makes appearances at special occasions such as this parade.



### LOIS OLSZEWSKI

Lois Carlson Olszewski (pronounced *ol-CHEF-ski*) passed away on April 2, 2021 at age 78. Born on Christmas Eve in 1942, she grew up in Ridgewood, graduated from Ridgewood High School, and attended Peru State College. She and her husband Al lived in Waldwick where she was active in local civic functions. Lois and her family were parishioners of St. Bartholomew's in the 1970s and 1980s. While her four children were still in high school, Al died and Lois raised them by herself.

Lois worked in the healthcare field for many years. She is survived by three of her children and by eight grandchildren. A memorial service was held at St. Bartholomew's on July 17.

*Photo provided by the Olszewski family*

## Prayer Requests

*Kindly keep the following parishioners and friends in your prayers:*

Susie, Michelle, Virginia, Joan, Allan, Audrey, Allen, Peter, Peggy, Choi, Jody, Fred, Ron, Jim, Evelyn, Jimmy, Sherry, Donna, Dic, Rich, Lesli, Jonathon, Grace, Becky, Jeffrey, Vern, Joan, John, Kathy, Joan, Rakesh, Pam, Danielle, Rocky, Scott, Pete, Danny, Amy, Michael, Oliver, Brigida, Betty, Wayne, JoAnn, Kathryn, Heather, Libby



For our nation that we may heal and join together.

For our President, Vice President, and all Elected Officials.

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

Prayers for those who are grieving the loss of over four million people globally, and over six hundred twenty-five thousand Americans who have perished due to COVID-19.

For Wounded Warriors. All Medical Professionals, First Responders, Educators, Grocery Store Workers, Delivery People, and Everyone working to help our country.

Our Wardens, Vestry, Journey Forward Team, All Ministry Teams 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   Jennifer, USA   Nicholas, USMC   Anthony, USA   Miles, USA

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

## Prayer for St. Bartholomew's Family (said during each Sunday service)

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

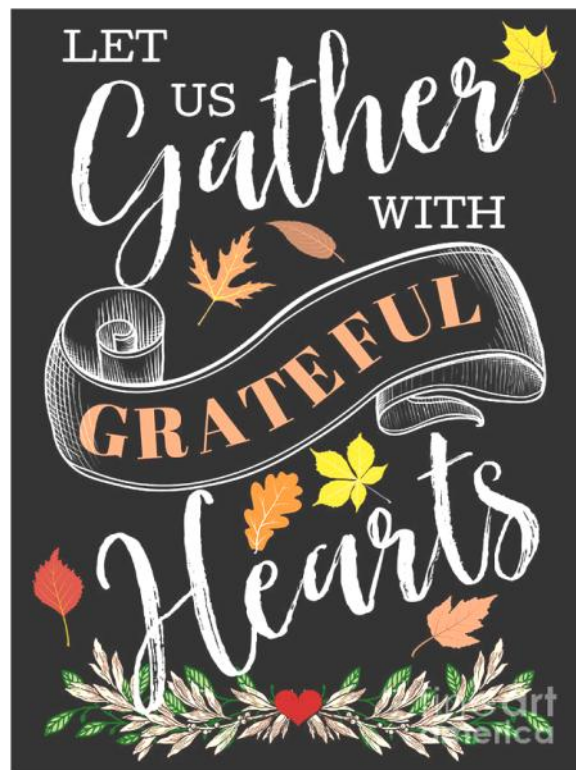
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## BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES (previous page)

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@gmail.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.





**Welcome Back Sunday - September 12, 10am**

**Sunday Worship & the Celebration of the life  
of April Gabrielle - September 19, 10am**

**Youth Sunday - Confirmation Candidates will  
lead worship - September 26, 10am**

**Blessing of the Animals - Sunday October 3,  
after 10am service**

**Jazz Concert - October 10, 2pm**

**Thanks Be to God For Opportunities to Worship  
and Be Together!**