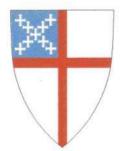
# St. Bartholomew's Church

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**FALL 2022** 

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### St. Bartholomew's Church CALENDAR - FALL 2022

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Conference calls can be made to 339-209-6277.

For **YouTube** services, search YouTube for "st bartholomew's episcopal church ho-ho-kus." For **Facebook**, www.facebook.com/70Sheridan or "St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ".

Here are our services and activities for the next three months.

**Sundays** 10:00 AM Worship Service - in person or Live Stream via Zoom,

Facebook and YouTube (see details above). Light refreshments with coffee after worship.

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

11:30 AM Vestry Meeting (Monday Sept. 26, 7 PM via Zoom)

Monday through Saturday

9:15 - 9:45 AM Morning Prayer via conference call (see pg. 12)

Thursdays resuming on Sept. 8

10:30 - 11:30 AM Bible Study via conference call (see pg. 12)

4th Saturday of each month

10:45 AM - 12:15 PM Food Drive in the front parking lot (see pg. 9 & 16)

Sunday, September 18

6:00 - 8:30 PM Half Way to St. Patrick's Day (see pg. 20)

Saturday, October 1

10:45 AM - 12:15 PM Diaper & Toiletry Collection in the front parking lot

Sunday, October 2

10:00 AM Blessing of the Animals (see pg. 7)

Sunday, October 30

2:00 - 4:00 PM Jazz Concert (see pg. 13)

Sunday, November 20 Stewardship Sunday Brunch



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# St. Bartholomew's Church B-LINE

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#### Rev. Cathie's Reflections

The life that we see in creation, in trees planted by streams of water, in tiny mustard seeds growing into large plants, in vegetables grown by a community seeking to live in the joy of creating, comes from the same source that gives us life itself, the liveliness of spirit, and vitality in our congregations. It is all from God. It is the life promised to us by Christ in John's Gospel. Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). It is the response to the invitation to create with God and grow the Kingdom on earth.

It is good to have a feeling of renewal which the summer sun and the beautiful fall colors offer us. The change of seasons reminds us that there is beauty and purpose in each season. The writer of Ecclesiastes expresses it beautifully. You might know the passage, or you may remember the song made famous by the Byrds, Turn, Turn, Turn. "There

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is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: (Ecclesiastes 3)

There are times we go through that are challenging that can produce growth or sadness while leading us to a new or renewed hope. During all of it, God is loving us through it. There are times that we are alone with God and can hear that inner voice urging us, inviting us to a new level of intimacy. There are also times that groups gather and the words that they share open the windows of our souls to the rushing wind of the Holy Spirit inspiring us to new insights.

It is a joy for me to be a part of our Thursday Bible Study group. We have journeyed with Isaiah, Mark, Acts, and Paul's letters to the churches at Philippi and Thessalonica over the past three years. Currently we are studying the book of Hebrews. Different from other books we have studied, Hebrews invites the reader to reflect on their relationship with God. The text encourages and challenges the reader to move forward and reach for new heights in their understanding of God's will for their lives.

Bible study is a very important tool that is available to *(continued)* 

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us as members of a faith community. Our study is not a class, like one might take in college, but a discussion where we allow the Holy Spirit to lead us to new insights as we talk about the impact and questions that we experience from reading the text. We support each other in our life and ministry journey as we gather each week to reflect on the text.

We are living out the call from Hebrews 10:23-25,

"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another — and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

The study guide that we are using for Hebrews, written by NT Wright, speaks about the importance of allowing yourself to be open to the transforming presence of God. Wright says, "The important thing, then is not to wait until you feel like living a holy life or loving your neighbor or working at the project of Christian service to which you are called... What matters is the call of the gospel, the promise of God and your task of being faithful and patient in the present." Yes, in many ways this is a personal journey, but it also requires support from trusted friends and that is one of the many benefits of group Bible study.

As the seeds that we plant in our community garden grow each year to a beautiful harvest of vegetables and flowers, God enjoys watching us grow as well through the seasons of our lives. Along with our group study, personal reflection in scripture is very powerful. Remember that the text was written thousands of years ago to a certain people in a certain time and place. That doesn't mean that it isn't meaningful for us today, but we can enhance the impact of the scripture by

incorporating the text in our own voice into the fabric of our daily lives.

For example, Hebrews 10:23-25 has been one of my favorite pieces of scripture. This is how I would share it in my own words.

"Let each of us keep moving forward in good times and in those times that challenge us. Let us support each other, proclaiming God's love for us in every situation. While we journey through life, let us encourage each other embrace the arms of God that are always open waiting for us. Let us also know the importance of being with each other, a time to listen, a time to share, and a time to love one another. In all these things we will prepare the way of the Lord."

In doing this, the scripture becomes personal to me. It reflects my relationship with God in the language that I speak. It draws me closer to my creator.

I invite you to give this a try. Take a piece of scripture and reflect on it and then share it in your own voice and I believe that the Holy Spirit will flow through you as you proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ according to YOU! God needs modern day disciples. God needs each of us to share the story in our own words.

People are hungry for God's word. Let our story be a part of our hospitality. Let us open to the Spirit that ordered the chaos in the beginning and who still looks to bring order and peace to the brokenness and chaos of our lives. Let us find energy and face fall and fresh starts with excitement and expectation. Let us find ways to grow in our faith and faithfulness while we gather to support each other and draw strength from our God who loves us exactly as we are. St. Bartholomew's family, let us do this together.

Blessings and Love, Rev. Cathie



#### **QUARTERLY VESTRY FOCUS**

#### Highlights from the Vestry Meeting May 2022

(Note: June's Vestry Minutes haven't been approved yet so not included in this edition)

#### **Treasurer:**

Dave Ackerman's general report showed our total expenses to date are \$74,573 and total income to date is \$58,135. We have \$481,116 in restricted funds and \$485,737 in our investment portfolio.

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

Ghada Harb reported that the fencing around the garden should be completed between 5/23 – 5/27. Due to our economic times, it wasn't easy to get donated dirt – but we did receive 74 bags. The committee is working on the watering system for the garden.

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

Kathy Gabrielle reported that she has our building sexton, Bill Hughes working on:

Gutter extensions for better drainage in the back fountain garden area will be installed.

With the summer approaching, looking into seeing if the back fountain can function this year, and to check the soaker hose system in the front memorial garden to verify that it is functioning correctly.

Restaining of the altar banisters.

On the New Church Roof – Rev. Cathie advised the Vestry that in speaking to Jonathan King of the Diocese, there are a few options for funding of our replacement roof through the Diocese.

- (a) The Ward J. Herbert grant which if our application is approved, full funding will be disbursed in December
- (b) To seek Emergency Funding
- (c) To seek a loan from the Diocese with a 5% interest payback.

The Vestry approved sending a "call letter" to all those on the parish's mailing list to seek donations for the New Roof.

#### **Outreach:**

Judy Malhotra reported that with the lack of plastic and brown paper bags for delivery of Oasis food donations, the church has plenty of boxes to receive the food that is brought. Judy has begun a discussion with the Ramapo Indians on additional outreach opportunities to assist them.

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

**Confirmation Classes** will begin with in-person meetings beginning in June.

**Children** / **Youth Ministry** two activities are planned for July and August, with the program beginning fully in September

**Adult Bible Study** will start a new study beginning June 2 through July focusing on Hebrews. There will be NO Bible Study in August.

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#### **QUARTERLY VESTRY FOCUS** (continued)

#### **New Business:**

Our Office Administrator – Ann Woods has given her notice on her last day of employment being May 31, 2022.

**Staffing Search** – has begun for a part time personnel through the website Indeed and the Diocese.

Arts at St. Bart's - the next scheduled event approved by the Vestry will be "I/2 Way to St. Pat's" featuring the Hooley Shooters; organized by Kathy and Dave Gabrielle

#### **Old Business:**

**New Office Computer** – St. Bart's new laptop and business platform is now fully built, migrated and ready to run with the assistance of Mike Egbert.

Arts at St. Bart's – Comedian Night: Reported that 76 paid with 70 in attendance. Profit will be reported at our June mtg.

**2022 David Hegg Award Nominees:** Virginia Smith, Bill Smethurst and Toby Winiarski's summaries of their contributions to St. Bartholomew's will be submitted to the Diocese by May 26.

**Technology Ministry:** The team is still working on having one of the TV screens in the sanctuary broadcast those that are on Zoom during our Sunday Services.

**Marketing:** Still working on a tri-fold brochure on our church and its ministry/mission.

Respectfully submitted by: Kathy Gabrielle, Warden

#### OUR NEW PARISH ADMINISTRATOR - LORI VAN CANEGHEM

I'm enjoying my new role as Parish Administrator at St. Bartholomew's. I interact well and enjoy working with a variety of personality types which makes this position a good fit for all.



In my previous job, I was a Property Manager in Upper Saddle River, NJ. Currently, I volunteer for my friend's non-profit, Alumni in Recovery and The Black Poster Project, organizations hoping to erase the stigma associated with addiction.

I grew up in Rockaway Beach, NY and yes, that is a song from the Ramones in 1977.

I enjoy spending time with my husband Art, my son Ryan and our two beagles. I also love hiking, yoga and I'm interested in learning the sport of Pickleball.

I'm looking forward to meeting everyone at St. Bart's. If you need assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me at 201-444-5025 or stbartshhk@gmail.com.

Lori Van Caneghem (van CAN-a-hem)



# September 11, 2001 We Will Never Forget St. Bartholomew's 9/11 Sunday Service and Remembrance

Join us on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> on our front lawn for prayer and reflection starting at 8:46am (the time of the first attack) and we will remember the other times of 9:30, 9:45, and 10:10am with bells and prayers for those who died at the World Trade Center, The Pentagon, and in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.





# Sunday at St. Bartholomew's September 18<sup>th</sup> 10am Worship and Fellowship

Let us Praise God and Celebrate our Church Family together In-Person & On-Line



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# All Creatures Welcome to Worship

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# at St. Bartholomew's

Sunday, October 2, 10am
Blessing in the front yard after worship

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At our Sunday, July 17 service, long-time parishioner Greg Smith was baptized by Rev. Cathie.

Right to left: Greg Smith, his son Coleston, wife Lauren, and brother-in-law Matt McMahon.





# Join one of our Ministry Teams and share the Gifts that God has given to you.

Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed.

Ecclesiastes 4:9





#### Come and See!

Join one of the next meetings. For more information, contact Rev. Cathie. Check the weekly bulletin for meeting dates.

Community Garden
Planning (Worship, Fellowship, Outreach)
Technology Marketing Stewardship
The Arts at St. Bart's

#### DONATE TO THE COMMUNITY THRIFT SHOP AND HELP ST. BART'S

The Community Thrift Shop is in the rear of 85 Godwin Ave, Suite 33, Midland Park, NJ 07432 Google "Community Thrift Shop Midland Park" or phone 201-652-7661 to learn what hours they are open and what items they are accepting. How your donation helps St. Bart's: You drop off items marked with #43. St. Bart's receives a quarterly check for 30% of the sales of items marked with #43.



## Outreach at St. Bartholomew's

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### **Oasis Food Drive**

September 24 October 22

November 19-For Thanksgiving December 17-For Christmas

# Goshen Diaper Drive October 1





Angel Tree for Christmas.

More information to follow

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#### **OUTREACH**

It's been a busy summer for our Outreach program. Peggy Kievit organized and delivered the much needed diapers to Goshen and Lisa Wysession contacted the Ramapo Community center, who are the recipients of Angel Tree program at Christmas, to ask "What else can St. Bart's do?" The answer was school supplies, so St. Bart's came through with pencils, glue, notebooks and all the things a student needs to start their year off right. Supplies were collected and those backpacks were filled!



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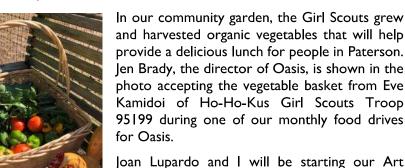
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Although we weren't actively working at Oasis this summer, a birthday dinner for our parishioner, Kathy Mathews, was given by her friends and each person gave a check in her honor which was used to send a child to summer camp.



get ready. We are putting together a "rolling" art library stocked with wonderful art books donated by Lisa along with others. Oasis purchased for us a cart on wheels (photo at right) so that the art books can always be accessible in any part of the building. We will also be starting a permanent art gallery in the building using frames donated by Gail Fayerweather to showcase the students' work.

A hidden gem at Oasis is THE NEST. It is a thrift store which provides support for an 8 week paid retail internship program for women who have gone through the program. The 750 ft. space is located on the first floor of the new 2 story addition to the Oasis building at 59 Mill St.

Classes again in September. We have been organizing the supplies and lessons in order to

They are accepting donations of gently used, in season, women's and children's clothing. If you would like to donate please let Joan or me know and we can deliver the items to Paterson for you.

SHOP TILL YOU DROP! There are some real surprises hidden away in Paterson.

Thanks for your service and for supporting St. Bart's outreach program.

Blessings, Judy Malhotra

Photos by (top to bottom) Cathie Studwell, Kathy Kamidoi (2), and Judy Malhotra.



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#### ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S COMMUNITY GARDEN

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Our hopes for the garden have been fulfilled! We dared to imagine a garden with all raised beds so each parishioner interested can sponsor a bed or 2; We dared to imagine a fence so we can keep our harvest intact. We dared to imagine that we will rotate watering the garden. We dared to imagine a harvest that we would share among us and donate our fresh produce to our outreach partners in Oasis to benefit the children that they tend and care for.



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Our prayers were answered and the joy of tending to our community garden transcends in our gardeners and among our congregation.

Thank you to all our gardeners who joined hands to make all of it possible and all those who supported in bringing our vision to fruition:

John Alberti for helping us build all the raised beds.

Bill Hughes and his dad Terrence for building our fence, prepping the ground and setting our water source.

Judy Malhotra for her beautiful artwork in the garden and her pivotal involvement with the whole process.

To all our gardening volunteers, who planted, watered, weeded, harvested, and personalized their beds with garden accessories and stakes:









Amy, Nancy & Jack Konzelman, Jennifer & Bill Kenny, Lisa Wysession, Peggy Kievit, Rita & Michael Gnerre, Kathy & Wayne Kamidoi, Rev. Cathie Studwell & Family, Christine Brunhorst, Marialyse Debel, Girl Scouts.

So far we have been able to harvest and share our garden with both Oasis and our parishioners, including our Salad Party on 8/28. See pictures at left. The fellowship we gain from our Garden is immense.

This year as I was contemplating our garden and our newly erected fence, I gained some insight on utilizing our fence to write prayers on ribbons and tie them around our fence as we release them in God's hands. Our prayer ribbons continue to grow and we have made them available right outside our garden in a bird house (pictured at left). All are welcome to come and write a prayer ribbon as our Pastor Cathie Studwell blesses them monthly.

We invite you to come write a prayer of praise, thanksgiving and/or concern for yourself and your loved ones.

Gardening simply does not allow one to be mentally old, because too many hopes and dreams are yet to be realized. -Allan Armitage

Ghada Harb, Warden & Gardener (and Photographer)

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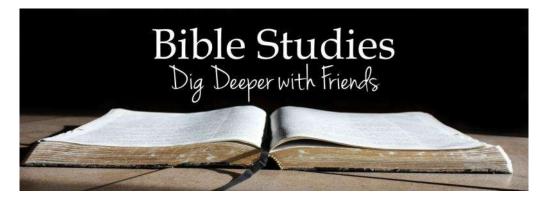


Monday-Saturday at 9:15 am Call 339-209-6277

## **Adult Formation**

Resumes on Thursday, September 8

The Book of Hebrews



Thursdays from 10:30-11:30 Call 339-209-6277

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St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church 70 Sheridan Ave Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423 presents

# **Sunday Afternoon Jazz Concert**



The Great American Songbook Featuring

The Joe McCaffrey Quartet with Emily Lucas on Vocals

Spend a wonderful Sunday Afternoon listening to Smooth Jazz.

Light Refreshments & a Chance to Meet the Band!

### Sunday, October 30th, 2022 2 to 4 pm

Tickets: \$25 per person \$20 student

Ticket Purchase Information will be available on September 21<sup>st</sup>.

No tickets will be sold at the door.

#### ANNUAL PICNIC

Our Annual Picnic was held on Sunday, July 26, in beautiful weather on our beautiful grounds near our beautiful Community Garden. Wardens Kathy Gabrielle and Ghada Harb cooked delicious burgers and hot dogs; parishioners provided the rest. Good food and good fellowship!













# OUTDOOR SERVICE and GARDEN SALAD...

...took place on Sunday, August 28. Rev. Cathie was Celebrant and Peggy Kievit was Eucharistic Minister.

Music Director Soon Chung brought her keyboard and a LONG extension cord!

Through the technical expertise of Jay Studwell and Mike Egbert, the service was broadcast live on YouTube, Zoom and Facebook.

And the salad was delicious!











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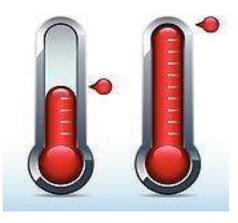
# St. Bartholomew's Roof Fund We Need You! The Time is Now!



We have raised \$17,500
Our Goal is \$25,000
We need \$7,500 more!

# Thank you to everyone that donated to date!

The faster we can raise the money the sooner we can start the roof work and not have it being done during the cold weather.



Please bring your check to church, put it in the mail or donate on-line at www.stbartshhk.com/pledge-donate

#### MONTHLY 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.

<u>ITEMS NEEDED</u>: 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, Pencils, Colored Pencils, Sharpeners, Sketchbooks

#### **Prayer Requests**

Kindly keep the following parishioners and friends in your prayers:

Virginia, Joan, Allan, Audrey, Jim, Evelyn, Rich, Becky, Jeffrey, Vern, John, Kathy, Rakesh, Brigida, Wayne, Heather, Beth, Jennifer, Barbara, Carolyn, Beverley, Mehgan, Paul, Jill, Peggy, Tom, Tony, Marie, Dennis, Pam, Joseph, Christian, Denis, Grace, Gary, Paula, Toby, Dennis, Judy, Gerry, Bill, Dick, Michael, Jill, Esther, Norman, Rhonda, Fred

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 six million people globally, and over one million people in the United States who have died from COVID-19.

We pray for those suffering in our country and around the world. We pray for those whose lives are forever changed because of senseless gun violence, especially the 19 children and 2 teachers killed in Texas, those at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Vestavia Hills, Alabama, those at the parade in Highland Park, Illinois.

We pray for peace between all nations; we pray for the people of Ukraine.

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

Our Wardens, Vestry, 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 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.

#### THE REVEREND A. DONOR MACNIECE

The Rev. Donor Macniece died on May 20, 2022 at age 88. Rev. Macniece, a native of Ireland, served St. Bartholomew's as Priest in Charge from the fall of 1982 until Dan Kreller arrived in March 1984.

After leaving St. Bartholomew's, Rev. Macniece served as interim in the Diocese of Newark, and later moved to Hawaii where he was priest in two churches. He retired in 2006 and moved to Cambodia.

#### **GINA KARL**

Gina Karl passed away on August 8, 2022, at the age of 60. Born in Newark on April 11, 1962, Gina grew up in The Oranges, and lived and raised her family in Wyckoff for 22 years before moving to Oakland 3 I/2 years ago. Gina worked as an executive in the mortgage industry for many years. She is survived by her husband Fred and sons Nicholas and Daniel. Gina and Fred were members of St. Bartholomew's for over 20 years and had served as coffee hour hosts.





# Support St. Bartholomew's







# Purchase Shop Rite and 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.

## Order Our Cookbook A Great Holiday Gift

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3 Ring Binder Hard Copy \$35.99
Email Rev. Cathie to place your order.
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# We can all do our part to help the ministries of our church





On August 14, the first Sunday of Rev. Cathie's vacation, Rev. Stephen Galleher was our supply priest, conducting a Eucharist service. The following Sunday, Warden Ghada Harb led a Morning Prayer service. Our thanks to both of them.

#### <><<< 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.

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