

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
December 24, 2018**

Monday	8.00 a.m.(E) 5.00 p.m.(K) 7.30 p.m.(TD) 10.30 p.m.(K)	Edith Respeto (L) Mercedes Diben + Mildred Main + Pauline Reeping (L)
Tuesday	8.30 a.m.(E) 10.00 a.m.(K) 12 Noon (TD)	Rose Pulpi + Frank Rothwell, Sr. + Mass for the People
Wednesday	8.00 a.m.(E)	Sacred Heart Parish
Thursday	8.00 a.m.(TD)	Fr. Joseph Kleinstuber +
Friday	8.00 a.m.(K)	Edith Respeto (L)
Saturday	8.00 a.m.(E) 5.00 p.m.(K)	Edith Respeto (L) Robert B. Peabody +
Sunday	7.00 a.m.(K) 8.30 a.m.(E) 10.00 a.m.(K) 12 Noon (K) 6.00 p.m.(R) 8.00 p.m.(E)	Edith Respeto (L) Special Intention Zahra Mohebbi (L) Iva Davis + Evita Beltran + Daniel & Lola Ramayo +

+ deceased (L) living

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF
December 23, 2018**

Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Advent Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45
Monday	Morning Mass: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Lk 1:67-79 Vigil Mass: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25
Tuesday	Solemnity of The Nativity of the Lord — Christmas Night Mass: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 Dawn Mass: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 Day Mass: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14
Wednesday	Feast of Saint Stephen, the First Martyr Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17; Mt 10:17-22
Thursday	Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a and 2-8
Friday	Feast of The Holy Innocents, Martyrs 1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18
Saturday	Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Sunday	Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE AND
UPCOMING EVENTS**

Christmas Eve - Monday, December 24
Last Advent Weekday
8.00 a.m.

Christmas Eve - Monday, December 24
5.00 p.m. Children's Liturgy (Fr. Mark)
7.30 p.m. (Fr. Tim)
10.30 p.m. Mass at Night (Fr. Mark)
(Christmas Carols begin at 10.10 p.m.)

Christmas Day - Tuesday, December 25
8.30 a.m., (Fr. John), 10.00 a.m., (Fr. Mark)
and 12 Noon (Fr. Tim)

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph -
Sunday, December 30**
7.00 a.m., 8.30 a.m., 10.00 a.m., 12 noon,
6.00 p.m. (Spanish) and 8.00 p.m.

New Year's Eve - Monday, December 31
Seventh Day within the Octave
of the Nativity of the Lord
8.00 a.m.

New Year's Eve - Monday, December 31
5.00 p.m. Vigil

**Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1, 2019**
(a Holyday of Obligation)
10.00 a.m.

St. Bart's Twelfth Night Thank-You Dinner
for all volunteers and their spouses,
Saturday, January 12, 2019, 6.00 p.m.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

The **Poor Box** for the month of **December** is for Cup of Joe. Launched by Father John Enzler, **Cup of Joe** is a healthy breakfast program for Catholic Charities' five low-barrier emergency shelters, which host more than 1,000 men and women each night.

Sister Betsy Hartson RSCJ seeks **gently-used and working laptops and printers with power adapters** for **Living Wages**, a nonprofit educational program for DC residents age 25 and over seeking their high school diplomas. If you can help, please leave your donation at the rectory. Our parish is a generous supporter of this noble cause.

A big Thank-You to all who contributed to the Bethesda House Dinner this year - 240 dinners were provided through your generosity. A 2019 calendar has been posted in the vestibule so please sign up if you are able. We are so grateful for your continued support.

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Christmas Remembrances 2018



We remember our beloved family and friends, living and deceased, through our prayers and Christmas altar flower offerings:

Robert J. Jones (Joy Jones); William H. Maresca (Joy Jones); Marie Maresca (Joy Jones); the Living and Deceased Members of the Brady, Rupert, MacIntosh and Page Families (Rupert and Maureen Brady); Anita Lavallee (Fernand Lavallee); Adrian Raddatz (the Raddatz Family); the Living and Deceased Members of the Sylvester Laudolff Family (Deacon John and Marge Class); the Living and Deceased Members of the William Class Family (Deacon John and Marge Class); José Luis Argumedo and Fouad and Adele El-Khoury (Samir and Maria El-Khoury); Ed and Ann Kemper, Mark Kemper, Marie Kemper, and Regina Peterson (the Cohen Family); Agnes and Thomas Burke, Gertrude and Charles Perkins, John Katsaros, and Grace Wert (Bonnie and Charlie Perkins); Janet Fenton (Lori Veirs); the Beloved Dead of the Ellis Family (Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Ellis); Richard Le Blanc (Marilyn Farrell); Bill Bittman (Carol Bittman); the Deceased Members of the Spicci and Slattery Families (Sheila Spicci Slattery); Clementina Parreaguerie (the Slattery Family); David and Mary Grace Kennedy and Vincent and Angelina Verfuert (Ann and Michael Kennedy); Raymond Betz (Shane and Barbara Mannix); Thomas Mannix (Shane and Barbara Mannix); Bob Cleary (Lynn Cleary and Family); John and David Dyer, and Jo Ann Dyer Wood (Maura Dyer); the Deceased Members of the Mastrangelo and Marcovecchio Families (Mr. and Mrs. Sante Mastrangelo); Nicholas Amoroso (Linda and Larry Fiedler); Mike McCullough and Family (Frances McCullough); Dianne Dickinson (Shannon Harris); Melvin Catlett and Katharine and George Seidl (Catherine Seidl Catlett); the Deceased Members of the Soto and Fairbanks Families (Roberto Soto); Eve Carson and Margaret McCarthy (Margie Hackett); Victor DeSouza (Daisy DeSouza); Marion Nolan and Henry and Betty Crowson (Celine Crowson); Madeline Sienkiewicz (Charlotte and Rob Sienkiewicz); Hap Mazukina (Ellen Wright and Family); Grössmutii Zobrist (Kathy, Marcus, Theo and Adriana Zobrist); Décio dos Santos Vives (Rainy Vives); Mr. and Mrs. Donatus and Helen Wik and Mr. and Mrs. Edward and Althea Wilmarth (Barbara and Bruce Wilmarth); Bill Kramer and Maggie and Donald Brueggemeyer (Mary and Scott Brueggemeyer); the Deceased Members of the Goldsmith and McDonald Families (John and Kathleen Goldsmith); Rolland Wolf from (the Sellinger Family); Dana Brent (the Sellinger Family); Pat Riley and Kristen Riley (the Sellinger Family); Anthony Campitelli, Marcello and Liberata Cellini, and the Deceased Members of the Cellini Family (Juanita Campitelli); Maria T. Reilly, Coletta Riley, Miguel Fortunat, Pichi Fortunat and Alicia Sanchez-Vargas (the Reilly Family); Michael Segreti and Dennis and Mary C. Kane (Anthony and Joan Segreti); Gustavo and Rosana Gatti (Livia Gatti); Living and Deceased Members of the Campbell Family (Mary Yvonne Campbell); the McGeein Family and Otto Warmbier (Marty McGeein); Donna Pettorossi (Kathy, Marcus, Theo and Adriana Zobrist); RADM and Mrs. Leland G. Shaffer, Lt. Col. and Mrs. William G. Watts, Jr., Rev. John J. Ruef, C.Ss.R, Giancarlo Prete, Grant Stivers, and Donald F. Mathews, Ph.D. (Slyvia Shaffer); Aloysio and Leticia Gomide; Iva Davis, and James and Mildred Labriola (Barbara Sonnino); the Gies Family (Lucy and Thomas Gies); Virginia and Robert Lawyer (Manuel Menendez); Manuel Menendez and Joe Quigley (Manuel Menendez); the Montalvo Family (Iva and Carmen Montalvo); Hubert Tonoh (Henriette Eluh); Jerome Eluh (Henriette Eluh); Frank Rienzo (the Bowen Family); Alfredo Maldonado (Rafael Ramirez); Pam Hendrix (Nicole Schwenker); Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dreslin, and W. Paxson Chalfant, Jr., MD (Mary Ann Chalfant); Nino Veronese (Fulvia Veronese); Patricia Morabito and her son, Nicholas Morabito (John Morabito).

39th ANNUAL ST. BARTHOLOMEW STEPHANIE GANNON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Five scholarships for \$500 each are available to eligible St. Bartholomew parishioners, depending on funds available and number of qualified applicants. To be eligible, applicants must be in or about to commence an educational or training program beyond the high school level. The Gannon Program is targeted to help an active member of the St. Bart's parish community.

Criteria for selections are based on need, a reasonable indication of capability for study success, and participation in community and/or parish activities. Preference is given to undergraduate students, although graduate students are eligible to apply. Application forms are available at the parish office and must be submitted no later than July 1, 2019, for the 2019-2020 academic year.

This announcement also requests donations to our scholarship fund in memory of Stephanie Gannon. To contribute, please drop your contribution in an envelope (make check payable to St. Bartholomew Church, memo "For Deposit to the Gannon Scholarship Fund") in the Sunday collection basket. Thank you.

The **Faith and Fiction Book Group** will read three books by towering Catholic authors of the 20th century. They are *Wise Blood* by Flannery O'Connor on January 27, *Second Coming* by Walker Percy on March 3, and *Brideshead Revisited* by Evelyn Waugh on May 5. Discussions are Sundays at 1:30 in the parish meeting room. All are welcome.

Minutes of the Finance Council Meeting of December 6, 2018

Following the opening prayer, the pastor noted that this year's school fundraiser is an on-going success, with \$81,000 raised to date and matching funds expected by calendar year-end. The 12th Night Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held on January 12th to honor the many parishioners who dedicated their time, talent, and treasure throughout 2018 to enhance St. Bart's on-going ministries and outreach efforts. Gift-giving instructions for donating stock to the church were in the recent bulletin. The poinsettia fund raiser, undertaken by the 8th grade class, netted \$4,000 for the school. Fr. Tim reported that about 50 participants heard the lecture "Why I Remain a Catholic" offered by Dr. John Bergsma. Other speakers will be considered for next fiscal year. The Committee reviewed the Oct/Nov. month-end parish budget; church revenue is running slightly ahead of budget offsetting a small decline in the school's. Parish costs are managed. The Mount Carmel Benefit was the most successful yet, netting \$5,113 for the shelter. Participation in the Faith Direct program (parish e-giving) is steady and these automatic payments from a bank account or charges to a credit/debit card, allows for better cash flow management. (Enrollment details are found on our website under Administration). Frank English, updated the council on the School Strategic Plan initiated in 2017. There is a concerted effort underway to strive for higher academic excellence in the math field and progress is being demonstrated in other areas previously identified in the plan. The school principal further noted that St. Bart's is participating in an Archdiocesan outreach program to the Latino community. The 2019 calendar year Finance Council meeting schedule was set; the next meeting is January 24th at 7:00 am in the rectory.



NATIVIDAD DEL SEÑOR 25 DE DICIEMBRE 2018

Cristo ha nacido en Belén. Vayamos al Portal para adorarlo, para darle gracias, para decirle que lo amamos, para entregarnos a Él. San José y la Virgen María suben de Nazaret a Belén, ciudad de David para inscribirse en el censo según el decreto del emperador Augusto. En Belén se realiza el prodigio. La Virgen da a luz a su hijo, lo envuelve en pañales y lo acostó en un pobre pesebre "porque no tenían sitio en la posada". Caemos de rodillas para adorar el misterio. El Niño tan chiquito es el Hijo de Dios que se ha hecho hombre por nosotros, es Dios como el Padre, es "Dios con nosotros". Adoremos a Dios, a nuestro Redentor, a nuestro Salvador. Unos pastores velaban sus rebaños en el campo. Un ángel les anuncia "la Buena Noticia, la gran alegría": "os ha nacido un Salvador: el Mesías, el Señor". Las señales para encontrarlo son: amor, pobreza, sencillez... "encontraréis un niño envuelto en pañales y acostado en un pesebre".



PAGINA WEB DE SAN BARTOLOME

<http://www.stbartholomew.org> - Ver Comunidad Hispana

MISA DIARIA Y EXPOSICIÓN DEL SANTISIMO

Lunes-sábado

Exposición del Santísimo a las 7:30 y Misa 8:00 a.m.

Domingos a las 5:15 PM antes de la Santa Misa

La adoración es entrar con la profundidad de nuestro corazón en comunión con el Señor que se hace presente corporalmente en la Eucaristía. Vengamos a adorarle.

CONFESIONES

Domingos: 5:30 - 5:45 p.m. en español

El Señor los espera siempre, en especial todos los domingos.

MINISTERIO DE SAN ESTEBAN

Escucha, consueta, ayuda, compañía. Este ministerio de cuidado pastoral a nuestra comunidad, ofrece apoyo a personas que están experimentando momentos difíciles, traumáticos, que momentáneamente no pueden superar o resolver. Nuestros ministros asisten de manera personal uno-a-uno a las personas que solicitan ayuda. Contamos con ministros que hablan español. Para información, no duden en llamar al Diácono Julio Blanco-Eccleston. Tel: 703-821-1654; jubtec18@earthlink.net

CAMBIOS EN LA SANTA MISA

Actualmente se viene rezando el Rosario Dominical a las 4:45 pm para luego proceder a la Exposición y Adoración del Santísimo a las 5:15 pm., antes de la Santa Misa. Las confesiones seguirán a las 5:30 p.m.

INFORMACION PARA EL BOLETIN

La fecha límite es el día domingo anterior a la publicación del mismo. Contactar a Rafael Espinosa. juraescha@verizon.net

FELIZ NAVIDAD

"Hoy nos ha nacido un Salvador: el Mesías, el Señor".

Les deseamos, que el verdadero significado de la Navidad, paz, amor y buena voluntad entre los hombres, reine en sus hogares ahora y siempre.

INTENCIONES DEL PAPA PARA DICIEMBRE

Por la Evangelización: Al servicio de la transmisión de la Fé.

Para que las personas dedicadas al servicio de la transmisión de la Fé encuentren un lenguaje adaptado al presente, en diálogo con la cultura.

HORARIO DE MISAS

Nochebuena, Lunes 24 diciembre

5:00 pm Misa para niños en ingles (Padre Mark)

7:30 pm Misa en español (Padre Tim)

10:30 pm Misa en ingles (Padre Mark)

Navidad, Martes 25 diciembre

8:30 a.m. (Padre John)

10:00 am (Padre Mark)

12:00 mediodía (Padre Tim)

La Sagrada Familia, domingo 30 diciembre

Horarios normales, Misa en español a las 6:00 p.m.

Santa Maria Madre de Dios, Martes 1 de enero 2019

(Día de obligación)

5:00 pm Vigilia, Lunes 31 de diciembre 2018

10:00 am Martes 1 de enero 2019

A LOS VIAJEROS DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD

Cada año, un gran número de los miembros de nuestra comunidad viaja a sus países a pasar la Navidad con sus familias. A todos, les deseamos que el Señor los proteja en su viaje y que el Niño Dios los colme de bendiciones.

ESTUDIO DE LA BIBLIA

Dictadas por el Padre Tim, los miércoles a las 6:30 p.m. en el aula bajo la Iglesia. Asista a esta actividad de renovación de Fe y conocimientos sobre la Biblia. Si Ud. está interesado por favor póngase en contacto con Padre Tim, 301-229-7933 ex. 22, o por correo electrónico: frtimdaniel@gmail.com.

GRUPO DE JUVENTUD DE SAN BARTOLOME

El grupo de Juventud de San Bartolomé no se reunirá el Domingo 30 de Diciembre por receso de fiestas. Informes contactar con Maria Kaufmann al mail 32kaufmann@cardinalmail.cua.edu



LIBROS Y CD's LITURGICOS

En el hall de la Iglesia se encuentran una nueva edición de libros y CD's con diversos temas de interés, algunos de ellos en español. Colabore en la adquisición de estos interesantes testimonios audiovisuales. Son un buen regalo para estas Navidades.

ARBOLES DE NAVIDAD

Recuerden que entrando a la pista de la Iglesia viniendo de River Road, frente a la casa de retiro, se están vendiendo árboles vivos de Navidad, colabore con la adquisición de estos arbolitos ya que parte del pago por ellos es donado a nuestra Iglesia de San Bartolomé.

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St. Bartholomew Parish Office

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

stbartsrectory@gmail.com

Baptisms—3rd Sunday of the month, **appointment only**. Parents are obliged to take a brief class related to the Sacrament prior to the Baptism. Class is held 1st Wednesday of the month. **Registration is required**. Call the Parish Office for more information.

Weddings—Please contact one of the priests at least 6 months prior to anticipated wedding date. Pre-Cana and instruction are required.

Sacrament of Reconciliation—Saturday, following 8.00 a.m. Mass, and 3:30-4:30 p.m.; Sunday, 5:15-5:45 p.m. (Español), or by appointment.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - The process of becoming a Catholic Christian. Call the Parish Office for information.

Adult Choir—Weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, 8:00-10:00 p.m. Choir sings every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound—Please notify the Rectory Office if you know of any parishioner who is sick or homebound and who would like to receive Holy Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick so that we can arrange to take him/her the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Note to New Parishioners—We extend to you a warm welcome from our Parish Community and encourage you to become active, involved members of the parish. Please obtain a registration form from the parish office, or from the Church vestibule.

Please Note: Bulletin notices must be received no later than 12 Noon on the Monday prior to the desired weekend of publishing.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW ORGANIZATIONS/MINISTRIES

Pastoral Council	Rollie Flynn (Chair).....	301-335-2374
	Hernan Oyarzabal (Hisp. Rep.).....	301-732-9586
	Valeria Conde (Hisp. Rep.).....	301-340-8227
Finance Committee	Paul Johnson (Chair).....	301-320-4632
	Hernan Oyarzabal (Hisp. Rep.).....	301-732-9586
Altar Servers	Richard Elliott.....	202-686-0263
Monaguillos/Hisp. Coord.	Jesus Manuel Berard, Ph.D.	631-793-2005
Arimatheans	Bill Ayers.....	301-469-8023
Bartholomew House	Joe Hanle, Dir.....	301-320-6151
Busy Men at Work Group	Jesus Manuel Berard, Ph.D.	631-793-2005
CYO	James Strother.....	301-706-5818
Children's Liturgy	Diana Carter.....	301-229-5117
	Valeria Conde (Hisp.Coord.)	301-340-8227
Choir	Carole Wysocki (Director).....	301-717-8850
Church Guild	Maria El-Khoury.....	301-897-9005
Eucharistic Ministers	Contact Rectory.....	301-229-7933
Ministros Eucarísticos	Raul Yopez.....	301-873-7491
Gabriel Network	Selma deLeon.....	301-229-6591
Home and School Assn.	Jennifer Bautista.....	301-793-1899
Hospitality & New In the Pew	Bonnie Perkins.....	301-299-8091
Ignatian Volunteer Corps	Nancy Brouillard McKenzie.....	301-229-1071
Knights of Columbus	John Vivian.....	301-461-3597
Lectors/Liturgy Committee	AnneMarie Economopoulos.....	301-365-1233
Lectores	Hernan Oyarzabal.....	301-732-9586
Hispanic Liturgy	Hernan Oyarzabal.....	301-732-9586
Prayer Chain	Susan Schill.....	301-469-4973
Respect for Life	Contact Rectory.....	301-229-7933
Saturday Women's Prayer Group	Kathleen Goldsmith.....	301-469-6455
Sick and Homebound	Contact Rectory.....	301-229-7933
Social Concerns	Tom Carty.....	301-587-8860
Stephen Ministry	Deacon Julio Blanco-Eccleston.....	703-821-1654
Ushers	Theresa Kowal.....	301-320-8876
Ujieres	Carlos Andres Guiza.....	919-519-7450
Wedding Coordinator	Mary Ann Chalfant.....	301-299-3739
Youth Minister	Maria Archer.....	901-296-9786