

August 29, 2010



“When you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, ‘My friend, move up to a higher position.’ For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

— Lk 14:10ab, 11

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SERVICES

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Liturgies

Schedule announced weekly.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m. and by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Parish membership required. Contact Parish Office one year in advance.

Sacrament of Baptism

Preparation session required for Baptism.
Call Parish Office.

Illness

Pastoral visits for the sick and homebound.
Call Parish Office.

**For after-hours and weekend emergencies,
call 952-473-6601.
Follow menu instructions to receive pastoral
response as soon as possible.**

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This Week at Saint Bartholomew

Sunday	August 29	
8:30 a.m.	Mass	(Irene Deziel)
10:30 a.m.	Mass	(For the People)
7:00 p.m.	AA	
Monday	August 30	
8:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	
Tuesday	August 31	
6:00 p.m.	Mass	(Lee Bremer)
Wednesday	September 1	
8:45 a.m.	Mass	(Charlie & Katie Becker)
Thursday	September 2	
6:45 a.m.	Mass	(Rev. Msgr. James Namie)
10:30 a.m.	School Open House	
12:30 p.m.	Rosary Society	
4:00 p.m.	School Open House	
6:30 p.m.	Respect Life	
Friday	September 3	
8:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	
10:00 a.m.	WOHH Meeting	
Saturday	September 4	
4:00 p.m.	Confession	
5:00 p.m.	Mass	(Virginia Lane Bannister)
Sunday	September 5	
8:30 a.m.	Mass	(Irene Deziel)
10:30 a.m.	Mass	(For the People)
12:00 p.m.	Baptism Liturgy	
7:00 p.m.	AA	



St. Bartholomew Catholic School is proud to present The Gathering, its 5th annual outdoor community festival featuring carnival games, food and live music, Friday, September 10 in the parking lot of the church and school. Come out and enjoy an evening of fun for the whole family featuring carnival games and inflatables, an amazing raffle with \$8,000 in total cash prizes, food (including root beer on tap!), a beer garden and, new this year, live music from Red Dot Garage – a power pop rock band capturing an edgy chic with a classic vibe. The fun starts at 5:00 p.m. with the live music playing from 8:00 - 10:30 p.m. Look forward to seeing you there!

Cantus at Sunday Masses on Rally Weekend

We will welcome back the men of Cantus for the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on September 12. They will join with our own parish choir. Please invite family or friends using our new **e-Vite**. For more information visit our website at www.st-barts.org.

Readings - Week of August 29, 2010

Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14
Monday:	1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/ Lk 14:25-33

A reminder for volunteers who plan to work with minors at St. Bart's!

Did you know that before one can work with minors at St. Bart's, volunteers are required to successfully complete the following three steps:

1. Undergo a Background Check, yielding satisfactory results.
2. Read and sign the Volunteer's Code of Conduct.
3. Attend a VIRTUS Training Session. This Archdiocesan training program helps equip caring adults to better protect the children and youth in their community.

Forms and instructions are found in the [Protecting God's Children](#) Volunteer Packet. Packets available in the school or parish office.

Upcoming VIRTUS Training Sessions at St. Bart's (need only attend one)

Thursday, September 23, 6-8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, September 28, 9 -11:30 a.m.
Tuesday, October 5, 6-8:30 p.m.

E-vite Friends and Family to Join Us! We've added a new feature to our website to make it easy to invite friends, family, and neighbors to upcoming events such as The Gathering on Friday, Sept. 10, our Rally Sunday Mass on Sept. 12, and other events at St. Bart's. Simply go to our website, www.st-barts.org, and click on E-vites, under Community. Fill out the easy-to-use form and an e-vite email will be sent to whomever you designate. The subject line will show that the email comes from you, and you have space to add a personal message. Please note that sender and recipient email addresses are not saved, reused or sold to an outside vendor by St. Bart's.

Rosary Society

The Rosary Society will meet this **Thursday, September 2** at 12:30 p.m. in room A102.

From Fr. Michael

During the summer of 2007, when our new church was under construction and we were worshipping in the fellowship hall, I wrote a series of bulletin columns describing elements of our new and remodeled buildings.

*In the years since then, some parishioners have suggested that I republish those columns. They've pointed out that they may have greater meaning for folks now that they can see the reality that I was describing at the time. So this summer I intend to republish those columns as they were written three years ago. I hope that reading these descriptions now will help to enhance your appreciation of the improvements of our renewed new church and school and remind you of how much we have accomplished together. **This ninth column was originally published August 26, 2007 and describes many of the "hidden" improvements to our buildings and grounds.***

Perhaps the most significant improvement to the outside of our property is the increased space that we have available. The removal of two buildings next-door has allowed us to do several important things. It has allowed us to create more parking space, more playground space, a safer arrangement for dropping-off and picking-up children before and after school, and a more environmentally-friendly way to manage our storm-water run-off.

With regard to parking, we have increased the number of stalls by 50%. The greatest benefit will be realized during the school day when we will have 30 new parking stalls available for staff and visitors while still providing our children with plenty of play space. This improvement, I believe, will be especially appreciated by our neighbors who will experience fewer cars parked on surrounding streets and parking lots.

The space provided for dedicated playground for our children has been increased by 100%. In addition, we have provided a better, thicker, and safer play surface for the children.

By moving our trash dumpsters away from the school doors, we also improve the safety of our children and the aesthetics of our neighborhood. The dumpsters will now be housed in a brick-walled enclosure at the northwest corner of our building.

Our arrangements for dropping-off and picking-up children are also considerably improved. This will be especially evident at the end of the school day. As you may know, parents had previously lined up on Wayzata Boulevard to pick up their children. This frequently created a traffic hazard as the traffic queue would back up beyond nearby intersections. Our new traffic pattern will allow us to "stack" cars within our own parking lot, and, if there should be any overflow, the cars will be in front of our own buildings on Rice Street, thus eliminating a traffic hazard and making us a better neighbor.

We do expect to provide new fencing and, hopefully, a new monumental sign around our parking lot and playground. Although this will not be in place at the time we move into our renewed buildings, you may be assured that it is coming [and was, in fact, installed].

Finally, a hidden improvement will allow us to be better stewards of our natural environment. Underneath the new parking lot on the west side of our property, we have buried a massive holding facility for storm-water run-off. With all the impervious surfaces on our property, this equipment enables storm-water to drain away into the ground more slowly and naturally.

Inside our buildings, there are also many improvements like this: things that are not visible to the naked eye, but which provide for significant improvements in safety, accessibility, and stewardship of energy resources.

One such improvement is the addition of fire sprinkler systems to our fellowship hall and chapel. Although these spaces were not significantly changed by the building project, this hidden improvement helps to make us all safer.

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We have also made several improvements to our heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, including new rooftop units for the church and the school. These units will provide an indoor environment that is healthier and more comfortable while using less energy than our old systems. In addition, we have provided an all-new system of controls for the hot-water heating system in our school, again, improving performance and energy-efficiency. Finally, the building is better-insulated than ever before – by our new roof and our new windows. As a result, we have received rebate payments from the utility company and expect to realize ongoing savings in our energy bills.

One last improvement will not be noticed by what you see but rather by what you don't see. We have replaced the aging and leaking roofs on our fellowship hall and gathering space. You can expect *not* to see buckets set up to catch leaking rain water and stained ceiling tiles testifying to previous leaks.

All of these improvements, although less visible than many other aspects of our building renovation, are no less important. They represent our commitment to being responsible stewards of the resources entrusted to our care, and, although some of them are hidden, they will nonetheless improve the safety and quality of life for Saint Bart's parishioners, our neighbors, and our surrounding environment.

Ministry Opportunities

Faith Formation Volunteers Needed

“In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love.”
- Mother Theresa

As Catholics we are called by Jesus to teach the faith and bring God's Kingdom into our world. One important way to do this is by volunteering. Currently, there are several spaces available for catechists in our Faith Formation programs. Programs such as this are highly instrumental in passing on the Catholic faith to the next generation. The only way we can effectively serve the 250+ young people at St. Bart's, from preschool through high school, is for parishioners to step up and share their faith. All of our programs are user friendly with lesson plans that guide you through every step. Thank you to the many parishioners that have already become involved with St. Bart's in this way. If you are a parent of one of the children in our programs or you are someone who wants to share their faith with others, we need your help and welcome you to join us in this extremely important ministry. For more information contact Jim DeShane or Kari Elsen at (952) 473-6601.

Classes are held from September to May

Preschool and Kindergarten

Sundays during 8:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Grades 1 through 8

Wednesday evenings at 4:30 p.m. or 6:15 p.m.

High School

Sunday evenings at 6:30 p.m.



Help Make Our World a Better Place

Volunteer at St. Bart's or out in the wider community! The new Shared Ministry Opportunity booklet can help you get started by offering you many ministry opportunities in which to choose from. It also contains a Gift Inventory that can lead you to the ministry in which God is calling you. If you have not received your booklet in the mail please pick one up at the parish information desk or online at www.st-barts.org. Within the next few weeks please take a few minutes to complete and return your Gift Inventory and Ministry Interest forms.

Share. Serve. Be.

The Heart of the Matter

**Thursday, September 9
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.**

(Seniors 55+ Monthly Informational Seminars)

Saint Bartholomew's

Next Art Project:

Ecclesiastical Decorating on a Dime

Father Michael will “unveil” and talk about the newest art installation at Saint Bartholomew: a gallery of more than 300 images illustrating the life of Jesus. You can be among the first to enjoy this inspirational addition to our parish.

Wedding Banns

Bann III—Andrew Hendrickson & Jessica Bailer
Bann I—Adam Davis & Jenna Larson
Bann I—Todd Feathers & Abigail Shaltz

Stewardship Update

	<u>Amt. Given</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Week of 8/22/10:	\$ 17,669	\$ 19,386
Difference this Week:	\$ (1,716)	
Year to Date:	\$ 176,125	\$ 193,798
Amount Behind:	\$ (17,673)	
Children's Stewardship:	\$ 5.25	