



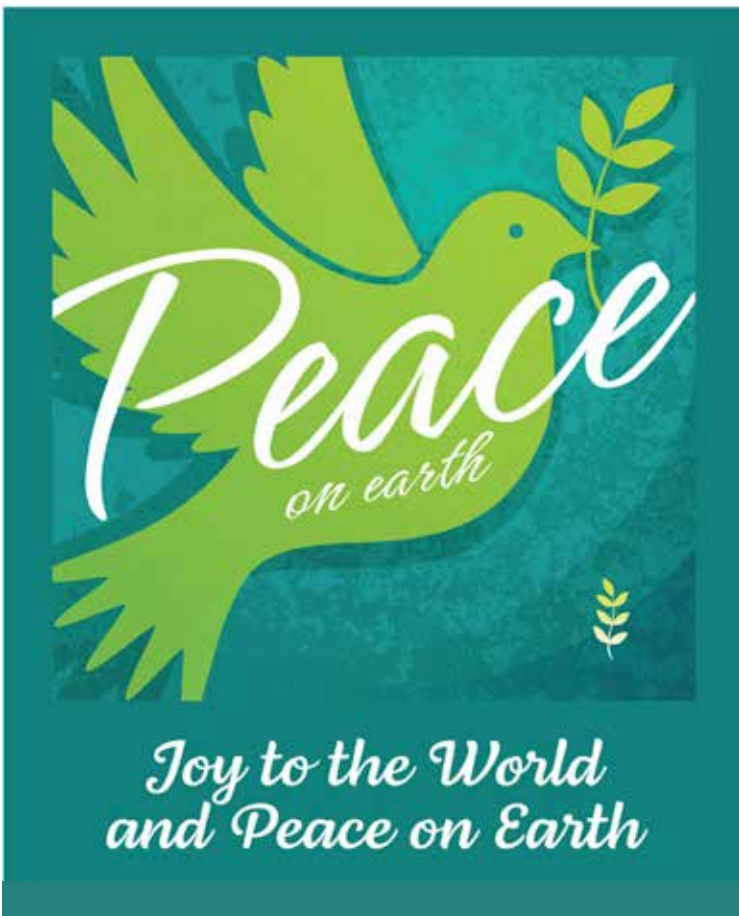
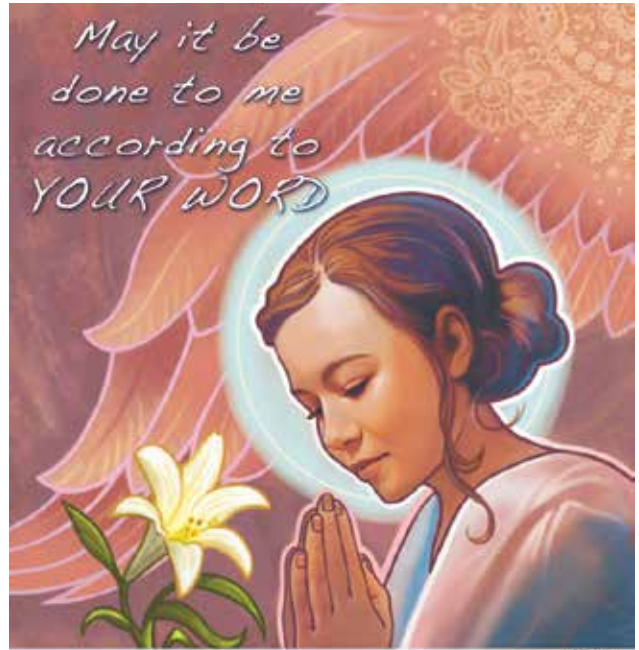
# ST. BARTHOLOMEW CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Web site: [www.StBartholomew.com](http://www.StBartholomew.com)



Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year B

December 24, 2023



Religious Education classes will resume **on January 14, 2024**

**We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

## PASTORAL STAFF

### Priests

Rev. Andrew Chan-A-Sue

### Pastor

Rev. Youry Jules

### Parochial Vicar

### Deacons

Deacon Michel DuChaussée

Deacon David Bowen

### Religious Education

Mrs. Mercedes Brown

### School Principal

Mrs. Christine Gonzalez

### School Counselor/

### Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Mr. Gerard John, LCSW, CCTP

### Music Ministry

Mrs. Betty Bunnell

Mrs. Monique Abraham

Mr. Rodolfo Gramcko

Mr. Michael Martinez

## MATRIMONY

Please contact the Rectory at least six months prior to the proposed date.

## BAPTISMS

Please contact the Rectory at least three months before anticipated date to make arrangements. Baptisms in English are on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11:30 AM.

## HOLY EUCHARIST (MASS)

**Saturday: 5:00 PM (English)**

**6:30 PM (Spanish)**

**Sunday: 7:30, 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM**

**French/Créole 1:00 PM**

Weekday: 7:00, 8:30 AM  
**(7 PM - during Lent only)**

Saturday: 8:30 AM

First Friday: French/Créole - 7:30 PM

## RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Saturday: **11:00 - 11:30 AM**

**4:00 - 4:30 PM**

Weekdays: When priests are available.  
Anytime by appointment

## ROSARY

Weekdays at 8:10 AM  
(before 8:30 AM Mass)

## CHARISMATIC PRAYER

### English

Wednesday, 7:30 PM - Sacred Heart Center

### French/Créole

Friday, 7:30 PM, School Rm B

## LEGION OF MARY

Sunday 11:30 AM, School Rm A (English)



## PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome new parishioners to our parish family. Pick up a registration form at the rectory or print one from the website; later you will be invited to learn more about our parish and our many ministries.

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

(In the Rectory Chapel)

**Tuesday, Wednesday,**

**Thursday, Friday:**

**9:30 AM to 7:30 PM**



## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Saturday - 9 AM to 5:00 PM

**Sunday - CLOSED**

## Pastoral Hispana

**Misa en Español** - Los Sabados - 6:30 PM  
El Santo Rosario los Sabados a las 6:00 PM

**Confesiones** - Los Sábados, 11-11:30 AM; 4:30-5 PM

**Bautismos** - Para el curso pre-bautismal, llame con TRES MESES de anticipación a la Rectoría. Los Bautismos en Español son los 4º Domingos del mes.

**Matrimonio** - Llame a la Rectoría lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha propuesta.

**Legión De María** - Se reúnen en Salón B en la escuela los sábados a las 4:30 PM.  
Julia Cisneros 305-928-9097

**Coro Hispano** - Ensayo los Sabados a las 4:00 PM en la escuela (salón de música) con el Director Mr. Rodolfo Gramcko  
305-505-1451



## AVIS pour les Membres de la Communauté Haitienne

### Messe en Créole / Français

1:00 PM chaque dimanche

7:30 PM chaque premier vendredi du mois avec Bénédiction du Très Saint Sacrement

**Confession:** Samedi 11-11:30 AM, 4:30-5 PM

**Visite des malades:** Contactez Père Youry au presbytère de l'église.

**Baptême:** 2è dimanche du mois à 11:30 AM.  
Contactez le Père Youry trois mois avant la date prévue.

**Mariage:** Contactez le Père Youry, six mois avant la date prévue.

### Prière Charismatique:

Vendredi de 7:30 à 10:00 PM (salle B de l'école)

**Légion De Marie:** Jeudi, de 6:00 à 7:00 PM (à l'école)  
Samedi à partir de 4:00 PM (à l'école)

**Répétition de Chorale:** Samedi de 5:30 à 7:00 PM (salle B de l'école)

**La Sainte Famille:** Dimanche à 3:00 PM (à l'école)



# EUCCHARIST



## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

(Sat) 5:00 PM + Arturo Diaz  
+ Ghislaine Jacquet  
+ Gisele Jacquet  
6:30 PM + Vicente Cruz  
(Sun) 7:30 AM + Perseus Jacildo  
+ Agnes Tucker  
+ Lauro & Flora Victor  
10:00 AM + Rose Anne Lambert  
+ Antoine Lambert  
+ Circée Laguerre Hector  
+ Lucie Laguerre  
1:00 PM James Daniel (T)  
Gabriel Lamothe (T)  
Fr. Youry Jules (T) Birthday  
+ M/M Andrieux Richardson  
5:00 PM Printy family (L)  
Joselle Dominique (L)  
Christian Rodney (T)  
+ Marie Herta Philantrope  
11:00 PM + Dcsd Mbrs of Cineus family  
+ Dcsd Mbrs of Therazin family

## Monday, December 25 - NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Christmas)

7:30 AM Abubu family (T)  
Silva family (T)  
10:00 AM Jacques Daquin (T)  
Printy family (T)  
+ Maryse Larrieux  
1:00 PM Soeurette Michel (T)  
William Michel (T)  
Marie Chalalle Michel (T)  
5:00 PM Special Intention

## Tuesday, December 26 - Saint Stephen, The First Martyr

7:00 AM + Souls in Purgatory  
8:30 AM Special Intention  
+ Caridad Marrero

## Wednesday, December 27 - Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

7:00 AM Placide family (T)  
+ Thomas Mutschler  
8:30 AM Guylene Fabre (T)  
Elmire Rosier (T)  
+ Caridad Marrero

## Thursday, December 28 - The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:00 AM Jasmine Love (L)  
Cilotte Jean-Louis (L)  
8:30 AM + François Michel Laventure  
+ Marie Claire André  
+ Michael Moussa Adamo

## Friday, December 29 - Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

7:00 AM + Melanie Michel  
8:30 AM Emmanuel Midy (T)

## Saturday, December 30 - Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:30 AM Enio Daniel Khan (T)  
Mirlande Bouquet Cazeau (T)  
Tony Dyett (T)  
+ Olga Duplessy

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 - THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

(Sat) 5:00 PM Jean René Chamblain (L)  
+ Harold Daniel  
+ Agnes & Ernest Tucker  
6:30 PM + Victor De La Cruz  
+ Maura Villar  
+ Agueda, Azucena Eudelia  
(Sun) 7:30 AM Uwandu family (T)  
+ Maurice Forrest  
+ Carline Mesidor  
+ Perseus Jacildo  
10:00 AM Stephen Hesler (T)  
Mirtho Dessources (T)  
Emilie Simon (T)  
Chantal Clerger (L)  
Montes family (T)  
Lamothe family (T)  
+ M/M Andrieux Richardson  
5:00 PM Dejean family (T)  
11:00 PM Gisele Dorsaint (T)  
Guerrier family (T)  
Cellus family (T)

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE  
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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday 12/24:** 2 Sm 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16  
Ps 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 (2a)  
Rom 16: 25-27/ Lk 1: 26-38  
**Monday:** Is 52: 7-10/ Ps 98: 1-6 (3c)/  
Heb 1: 1-6/ Jn 1: 1-18  
**Tuesday:** Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59  
Ps 31: 3cd-8ab, 16bc and 17  
Mt 10: 17-22  
**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 1: 1-4/ Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12  
Jn 20: 1a and 2-8  
**Thursday:** 1 Jn 1: 5 -- 2: 2/ Ps 124: 2-5, 7b-8  
Mt 2: 13-18  
**Friday:** 1 Jn 2: 3-11/ Ps 96: 1-3, 5b-6  
Lk 2: 22-35  
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 2: 12-17/ Ps 96: 7-10  
Lk 2: 36-40  
**Sunday 12/31:** Gn 15: 1-6; 21: 1-3 or Sir 3: 2-6,  
12-14/ Ps 105: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9  
Heb 11: 8, 11-12, 17-19 or  
Col 3: 12-21/ Lk 2: 22-40



## Remember the Departed

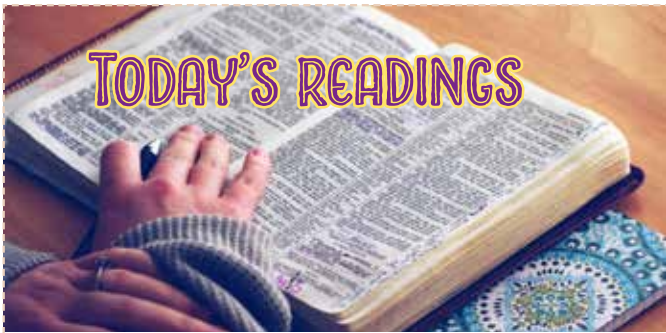
**Millicent L. Pommells**  
**Lisette Augustave**  
**Johnny Lemaire**



*Victims of hatred and  
violence, War,  
abortion and  
natural disasters.*

**Please use your envelopes or donate online at our website. Our parish needs your support.**





## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** -- The kingdom of David shall endure for ever before the Lord. 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16.

**Responsorial Psalm** -- "For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord." Psalm 89

**Second Reading** -- The mystery kept secret for long ages has now been manifested. Romans 16:25-27

**Gospel Reading** -- Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son. Luke 1:26-38

## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Every so often the fourth week of Advent consists only of the fourth Sunday of Advent. This is one of those years. For three weeks we have been encouraged to use this season to prepare for the Jesus' coming. Now it's time for the procrastinators to begin! But seriously, the fact that this Sunday falls on Christmas Eve is a wonderful opportunity for us all. On this day, may the word of God we hear and the Eucharist we share inspire us to prepare a home in our hearts for the Lord. In the first reading, David worries about finding a proper home for the ark of God. After all, it was housed in a tent as if they were still journeying through the desert. In the Gospel, the angel Gabriel comes to a young virgin in Nazareth to announce that God has chosen her to bear the son of God, to provide a home for the Lord. Let us now make a home in our hearts for the Lord, so that we, like Saint Paul, may make known to the nations the wonders and glories of Jesus Christ.

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Please pray for healing & comfort for the sick and for strength and endurance for all caregivers



Mildred Gallagher	Johnston family
Marilyn Constantine-Lane	Camal Mohammed
Carlos Fuentes	Cynthia Horvath
Cherry-Ann Edwards	Andy Fortune
Antonio Casas	Ryan Rodriguez
Quincie G. Cajuste	Pierre St Vil
Jennifer Evans	Kaitlyn Lottie
Gloria Beason	Erin Bacon
Low Joseph	Paulette Scuotto
Alexis Prue	Rain Pierre
Chery Ann Edwards	Jean-Robert Bijoux
Paulo Mendonça	Kathleen Def-Moreau
Joseph Ewald Marcelin	Jared Def-Moreau
Ashley Baker	Valarie De Freitas
Adriana Rodriguez	Jasmine Springer
Mary-Ann Printy	Joyce Desiato
André Paes Cardoso	Jeffrey
Jairo Frota	Patrice Legagneur
Busgith Vida	Natasha Retana
Candy Larsen	Jessi Menendez
Marie Georges Louis	Micheline Piquion
Abiah Tiday	Ursula Rodriguez
Lorraine Fuller	Robert Stewart
Marjorie Minott	Marie Françoise Baptiste
Patricia Khlon	

If you are new...



Stop by the Rectory Office to fill out a registration form if you are new to the area or the parish. It only takes a few minutes, then use your parishioner number when making a donation to support your parish community. Remember your donations are tax deductible and will be fully credited to your account. You can also donate online at our website: [stbartholomew.com](http://stbartholomew.com) or by texting your amount to (954) 280-0901



Offering Envelopes

Collection on: 12/17/2023  
Third Sunday of Advent

Mass	Attendance	Collection
Sat. 5:00 PM	33	\$565.00
Sat. 6:30 PM	33	\$279.00
Sun. 7:30 AM	114	\$1,022.00
Sun. 10:00 AM	143	\$1,370.00
Sun. 1:00 PM	266	\$1,740.00
Sun. 5:00 PM	52	\$553.00
Loose Coins		\$15.00
Office		\$450.00
SVDP Online	6	\$70.00
Maintenance	2	\$37.00
Offertory Online	24	\$1,055.00
Main Collection	673	\$7,156.00
Candles		\$135.00
Special Collection		\$381.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$7,672.00</b>

# Fourth Sunday of Advent Pray Before You Speak

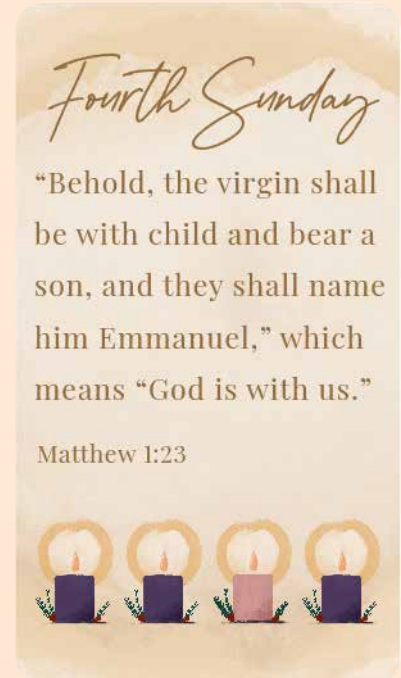
Have you ever been told to “think before you speak”? Nathan seems to have spoken too soon when he told David to do whatever he wanted about building a house for the Lord. He was being respectful to his king, and it sounded like a good idea. But later that night the Lord gave him a message for David: the Lord did not need anyone to build him a house; God would make David’s house (in the sense of family or descendants) last forever.

As a prophet Nathan was expected to speak for the Lord. When he finally listened to the Lord, he got the message right. And that can be a lesson to us. Instead of just thinking before we speak, it could be a good idea to pray before we speak.

How many times have we said something in anger—or selfishness, fear, any strong feeling—that we wished we could take back? If we just think before we speak, we might just rationalize what we wanted to say in the first place. But if we take a little more time to bring our feelings to God, ask for guidance and listen for what God would have us say, things might turn out a lot better.

God can also surprise us if given the chance. The kingdom (“house”) God was promising was not a political one, but a universal one. Jesus fulfills this promise as the Son of God who came to proclaim the Kingdom of God. Jesus himself prayed to the Father often in his life.

We can do the same. We pray before meals; why not pray before going to work? We can pray before making decisions about our family, getting engaged, taking a new job, buying a new house/car/HD-TV, etc. When a friend or relative needs someone to talk to, we can pray that we listen well and say what God wants our friend to hear. When we are sorry for hurting someone, we can pray for forgiveness and even listen to God to learn what we might do to make it up to them. If we have enough faith to let God guide our lives, let’s take the time in prayer to listen for that guidance.



# *Christmas Mass Schedule*



*Come, celebrate Christ with us*

**Saturday, December 23 - 5 PM English / 6:30 PM Spanish**

**DECEMBER 24: 7:30 AM, 10:00 AM ENGLISH  
1:00 PM FR/CREOLE**

## **CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**DECEMBER 24: 5:00 PM CHILDREN'S ENGLISH**

**11 PM - TRILINGUAL MASS**

**DECEMBER 25: 7:30 AM, 10 AM ENGLISH**

**1:00 PM FR/CREOLE, 5:00 PM SPANISH**







LET US  
ADORE HIM  
*Christ the Lord*



*Best wishes for a very  
Merry Christmas  
from Fr. Andrew,  
Fr Youry and the  
Rectory Staff*



## Volunteers needed

St Bart is looking for volunteers to help out with its expanding **MEDIA MINISTRY**. Whether you have experience in audio/visual/tech or you want to learn, we welcome anyone who wants to step “behind the scenes” and get involved. Positions include sound tech, projectionist, graphic designer, camera operator, web editor, livestream tech, and others.

If you would like more information or to get involved with our **MEDIA MINISTRY**, please call the rectory at 954-431-3600

# LOVE

**RAFFLE FUNDRAISER**  
TO BENEFIT  
ST. BARTHOLOMEW DANCE MINISTRY

*DANCERS FOR JESUS*  
Praise Him  
with dance.  
Psalm 150:4

**PRIZES:**

**1ST: 75" SMART FIRE TV**

**2ND: APPLE IPAD PRO 11'**

**3RD: HP ENVY 2 IN 1 LAPTOP 15.6"**

**4TH: APPLE WATCH SERIES 9 (41MM)**

**TICKETS: DONATION \$15 EACH**  
**DRAWING ON DEC. 31, 2023 AFTER 10AM MASS**  
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## **Parish Ministries and Other Organizations:**

The various ministries of St. Bartholomew parish provide you with a wide variety of ways of connecting with the community. Through these ministries you can learn and grow as an individual, meet others who share your values, and reach out to serve the larger parish and city. We hope there's something for everyone here. If not, join us in creating future ministries.

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 AM to 7:30 PM, in the Rectory Chapel. During these hours the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. This setting provides time for quiet prayer and meditation. Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for a regular weekly hour of adoration. A commitment of an hour a week is an excellent way to say "Thank You Jesus". Please schedule a holy hour or Adoration into your week or stop by anytime during Chapel Hours for a short visit.



### **Altar Servers**

Steve Lee, 305-915-5048.

Our parish is blessed by a faithful group of Altar Servers who assist the priest and other ministers during Mass; they help facilitate the celebration of the whole community.

Open to boys and girls in 4th grade or older.



### **Scouts**

Lisa Cook, 954-298-3765

Scouting provides activities designed to build character, physical fitness, practical skills, and service to God and your community. For boys and girls of all ages.

Call for meeting place and times.

### **Council of Catholic Women**

Maria Walker, 305-479-0148

Formerly known as the Women's Club, is involved in a variety of social, spiritual and service oriented projects that benefit the parish and the community at-large. They are affiliated with the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women. The women of our parish meet on a monthly basis in the Parish Hall for a business meeting, social and refreshments.

### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Some men and women in the parish share in the responsibility for the care and distribution of the Holy Eucharist. If you feel called, please contact the rectory for training.



### **Dancers for Jesus - Liturgical Dance Ministry**

Jackie Benjamin, 754-273-3387

Weekly practice on Saturday in the school.



### **Gift Shop**

The Parish Gift Shop is usually open after Sunday Masses and makes available a variety of spiritual items, books and gifts. There is a small gift case of religious items in the Rectory which is available anytime the office is open. The gift shop is staffed by volunteers; if you are interested in helping out, please contact the rectory.

### **Knights of Columbus**

Jean Lesly Telfort at 754-214-1695

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization of Catholic gentlemen, ages 18 to 100 (and beyond), who are dedicated to serving Christ, His Church and the community. Our local council, Holy Spirit Council 6032, is part of 1.8 Million members Worldwide and meets in the Parish Hall at 7:30 PM on the 1st Thursday of each month for their business meeting and on the 3rd Monday of each month for their social meetings of the Knights and their families.



### **Lectors**

Ron Brown at 954-431-3600

Through the lectors, men and women who read the Scriptures at Mass, God's living Word continues to be proclaimed to His people. Lectors are called not only to proclaim the Word, but also to grow in their knowledge and love of God's living Word as well.



### **Legion of Mary**

The Legion meets to foster devotion to Mary as well as apostolic service. Through prayer and personal witness they share their faith. English: Sunday, 11:30 AM in School Meeting Room B. French/Creole: Thursday, 7:30 PM in School Meeting Rooms A & B. Spanish: Saturday, 2:30 PM, in School meeting room.

### **Ministry to the Sick**

Noreen Smith, 954- 431-3600.

Jesus spent much of his ministry demonstrating God's love for those people who needed healing in body, mind, soul and spirit. As risen Lord he continues his ministry through the Church. We visit sick members of the parish family, the homebound, in nursing homes and in hospitals. Every week the sick can receive Holy Communion brought to them wherever they are.

### **Ushers and Greeters**

These men and women demonstrate our parish hospitality as they welcome our worshipers and facilitate the smooth running of services. All that it takes is a little extra time on Sundays and Holy days, and a lot of dedication to be here faithfully.

Many thanks to all our ushers and to those who help the ushers when needed. Please call the rectory if you would like to serve as an usher.

**VOLUNTEERS are always needed for special projects like decorating, changing Altar cloths, linens and banners.**

**If you would like to help with Sacristy duties and preparing for Masses, please stop by the rectory.**

**Volunteers are the heart of our parish.**

**YOU BELONG HERE!  
FIND SOMETHING YOU LIKE AND SERVE THE LORD THROUGH IT.**



Tel: 954-431-5253  
Office Hours  
Monday thru Friday  
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

### What Are the Primary Reasons Children Attend Catholic Schools?

Many parents are concerned when it comes to their children's education. They want their children to receive the best education possible, so their child will have a better chance of success as adults.

### Some of the primary reasons parents send their children to a Catholic school are:

- Catholic schools offer a high level of academic excellence infused with virtues.
- Catholic schools provide an education in the Catholic faith with an emphasis on Catholic values.
- Catholic schools like St Bart help children develop healthy social relationships and sense of community with a Pre K – 8th grade school model.
- Catholic schools offer a supportive environment for children to develop and showcase leadership skills.

### Should I Send My Child to St Bartholomew Catholic School?

The best way to know if a Catholic school education and SBCC is right for your child is to schedule a visit. You'll have an opportunity to visit the school and classrooms to get a feel for the place. You can meet and talk with the administrators and teachers to get to know them. Also, you can learn more about our STEM program and the extracurricular activities we offer. You're welcome to attend our Open House.

Contact Eva Morales at [emorales@stbartschool.org](mailto:emorales@stbartschool.org) or call the school office to schedule a visit.

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