



# Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

## PROPER 12

July 26, 2026, 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist Baptism Rite II with Baptism



We welcome all to today's service.

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## SERVICES

Sundays, 10:00 am Holy Eucharist

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, (August 20<sup>th</sup>), 1:00 pm Healing & Holy Eucharist

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# Welcome to St. Bartholomew's

We're so glad you're here - whether it's your first visit or your hundredth.

If you're new, we'd love to meet you!

Please fill out a **Connect Card** (in the pews), introduce yourself to our clergy, Candine, and join us for fellowship after the service.

We look forward to getting to know you and walking the journey of faith together.

## Choir Rehearsals



Love to sing? Come join us! Speak with **Bill Fenimore** or **Candine** for details. The Choir will be on hiatus from May 31<sup>st</sup> to September 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Healing Service

Thursday,

August 20<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm, Chapel

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Sunday, July 26, 2026, 10:00 am

Today we welcome Ruby Ellington Bell into God's Family.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Baptism

## THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE *Blessings* ..... Stan Vann

*Please stand as you are able and join us in singing.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "The Christ who died but rose again" ...447 Hymnal

1 The Christ who died but rose a - gain tri - um - phant from the grave,  
2 What now can sep - a - rate us from the love of Christ our Lord?  
3 The trou - bles that are ours to bear are trials we can - not flee;  
4 Thus noth - ing in the heights or depths, no power earth can af - ford,

now pleads our cause at God's right hand all - pow - er - ful to save.  
Can per - se - cu - tion, na - ked - ness, or per - il, or the sword?  
yet he who loved us from the first en - sures our vic - to - ry.  
will sep - a - rate us from the love of Je - sus Christ our Lord.

Words: Granton Douglas Hay (b. 1943); alt.; based on *Paraphrases*, 1781; para. of Romans 8:34-39. Australian Hymn Book Co. Used by permission. Music: *St. Magnus*, melody from *Divine Companion*, 1707; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after John Pyke Hullah (19th cent.).

Celebrant        Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*        ***And blessed be his kingdom. Now and for ever. Amen.***

Celebrant        There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*People*        ***There is one hope in God's call to us;***

Celebrant        One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*People*        ***One God and Father of all.***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant        The Lord be with you.  
*People*        ***And also with you.***

Celebrant        Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

*Please be seated for the readings.*

THE FIRST LESSON ..... Genesis 29:15-28

Reader        A reading from Genesis.

**L**aban said to Jacob, “Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?” Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.” Laban said, “It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.” So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.” So Laban gathered together all the people of the place and made a feast. But in the

evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?” Laban said, “This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years.” Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Reader                    The Word of the Lord  
*People                    Thanks be to God.*

THE RESPONSE Psalm 128..... *Beati omnes*  
*The Psalm is read responsively by verse.*

- 1 Happy are they all who fear the Lord, \*  
and who follow in his ways!
- 2 You shall eat the fruit of your labor; \*  
happiness and prosperity shall be yours.**
- 3 Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, \*  
your children like olive shoots round about your table.
- 4 The man who fears the Lord \*  
shall thus indeed be blessed.**
- 5 The Lord bless you from Zion, \*  
and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.
- 6 May you live to see your children's children; \*  
may peace be upon Israel.**

THE SECOND LESSON..... Romans 8:26-39  
Reader                    A reading from the Letter to the Romans.

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love

God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader                    The word of the Lord.

People                    *Thanks be to God.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

SEQUENCE HYMN: "Seek Ye First" ..... 711 Hymnal



The image shows the musical notation for the hymn 'Seek Ye First' from the 711 Hymnal. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff has a '1' above the first measure. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words on separate lines. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics. The third staff concludes the hymn with a double bar line. The lyrics are: 1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God; 2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you, and its right - eous - ness, and all these things shall be seek, and ye shall find, knock, and the door shall be add - ed un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia! o - pened un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!



Words: St. 1, Matthew 6:33; adapt. Karen Lafferty (20th cent.). St. 2, Matthew 7:7.

Stanza 2 is not part of the hymn as originally written.

Music: *Seek Ye First*, Karen Lafferty (20th cent.)

13. 11. 7 with Alleluias

## THE GOSPEL Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every

scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Celebrant           The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People           Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

*Please be seated for the sermon.*

SERMON..... The Rev. Dr. Candine E. Johnson

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES..... BCP 301

*If the Presentation of the Candidates does not take place at the font, then before or during the petitions, the ministers, candidates, and sponsors go to the font for the Thanksgiving over the Water.*

Celebrant           The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.  
Sponsors        I present Ruby Ellington to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.  
  
Celebrant        Do you desire to be baptized?  
Parents &        I do.  
Godparents

*When all have been presented the Celebrant asks the parents and Godparents.*

Celebrant        Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?  
Parents &        I will with God’s help.  
Godparents  
  
Celebrant        Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?  
Parents &        I will, with God’s help.  
Godparents

*Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.*

Question        Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?  
  
Answer         I renounce them.  
  
Question        Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?  
  
Answer         I renounce them.



Question        Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer         I renounce them.

Question        Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer         I do.

Question        Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer         I do.

Question        Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer         I do.

*After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying*

Celebrant        Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

***People            We will.***

*The Celebrant then says these or similar words*

Let us join with Ruby who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT..... BCP 304

Celebrant        Do you believe in God the Father?

***People            I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

Celebrant        Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

***People            I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.***

***He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.***

***He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.***

***He descended to the dead.***

***On the third day he rose again.***

***He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.***

***He will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
People ***I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.***

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?  
People ***I will, with God’s help.***

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall  
into sin, repent and return to the Lord?  
People ***I will, with God’s help.***

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of  
God in Christ?  
People ***I will, with God’s help.***

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your  
neighbor as yourself?  
People ***I will, with God’s help.***

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and  
respect the dignity of every human being?  
People ***I will, with God’s help.***

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES..... BCP 305

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*  
Let us now pray for Ruby who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.  
*A Person appointed leads the following petition.*  
Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.  
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***  
Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.  
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***  
Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.  
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.  
*People Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.  
*People Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.  
*People Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.  
*People Lord, hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant says*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER..... BCP 306

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
*People And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*Celebrant*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying*

Ruby Ellington, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*When this action has been completed for all candidates, the Bishop or Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

*Then the Bishop or Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying to each one*

Ruby Ellington, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

*Or this action may be done immediately after the administration of the water and before the preceding prayer.*

*When all have been baptized, the Celebrant says*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

***Celebrant and People***

***We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.***



*Please stand as you are able.*

THE PEACE..... BCP 360

Celebrant           The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People               ***And also with you.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HOLY COMMUNION**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY SOLO *I need Thee every Hour*..... Robert Lowry

THE DOXOLOGY ..... 380 v. 3 Hymnal

*Sung by all:*

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B**..... BCP 367

*Please stand as you are able.*

Celebrant           The Lord be with you.

***People               And also with you.***

Celebrant           Lift up your hearts.

***People               We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant           Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People               It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant           It is right, and a good and joyful thing always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

PROPER PREFACE..... BCP 361

*The Celebrant says the Proper preface.*

SANCTUS .....S130 Hymnal

*Celebrant*

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Sung by all.*  
***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION ..... BCP 362

*The people stand or kneel. Then the celebrant continues.*  
We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,  
*Celebrant and People*  
***We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.***

*The Celebrant continues*  
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Bartholomew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD’S PRAYER ..... BCP 363

Celebrant            And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All                    ***Our Father, who art in heaven,  
                          hallowed be thy Name,  
                          thy kingdom come,  
                          thy will be done,  
                          on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
                          as we forgive those  
                          who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
                          but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
                          and the power and the glory,  
                          for ever and ever. Amen***



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD ..... BCP 364

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are invited to receive communion.*

*Please let us know if you need gluten-free communion.*

*If you are unable to come to the altar,  
let the usher know and we will bring communion to you.*

COMMUNION SOLO *My God, Thy Table now is Spread*..... Edward Miller

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER..... BCP 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

*Said by all in unison*

***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.***

***Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

PRAYER FOR PEACE

*Please join in saying:*

***O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen***

ADDITIONAL PRAYERS

THE BLESSING ..... BCP 366

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*





Please stand and join in singing.

POST COMMUNION HYMN “Be thou my vision” .....488Hymnal



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,



all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!



thou my best thought, — by day or by night,  
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

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THE DISMISSAL ..... BCP 339

Celebrant

*People*

We have just received the body of Christ. Now let us be the body of Christ as we go forth to love and serve the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE *Largo* ..... G.F. Handel





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## PRAYER LIST

**THOSE WITH IMMEDIATE NEEDS:** Rev. Stephen, Tariq, Pamela, Lauren, Roland, Jr., Sarah, Olivia, Xavier, Kristen, Travis, Freddie, Sidney, Anthony, Annette, Brianna, Louise, Bernie, Walter, William, Sylvia, Richard, and Win

**THOSE WITH LONG-TERM NEEDS:** Dennis, Simon, Brady, Julie, Joe, Carmella, Grace, John, Robert, Aimee, Jennifer, Ely, Stan, Jane, Carmen, Olivia, and Lily

**SPECIAL INTERCESSIONS: Please pray for:** Our troops at home and abroad, those affected by war and violence in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan, Ethiopia, Libya, Taiwan, Mexico, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Myanmar, Armenia, China, Haiti, and Venezuela

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| <b>Thank you for serving today</b>   |                                                                          |
| <b>Celebrant</b>                     | The Rev. Dr. Candine E. Johnson                                          |
| <b>Organist &amp; Choir Director</b> | Bill Fenimore                                                            |
| <b>Soloist</b>                       | Kathleen Bandaruk                                                        |
| <b>Usher</b>                         | Frances Bowen-Metzger                                                    |
| <b>LEM &amp; Intercessor</b>         | Rob Williams                                                             |
| <b>Acolyte</b>                       | Patrick Trainor                                                          |
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ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

## CHURCH PICNIC

All are welcome and invited to join us for an outdoor service  
Following the service we will have our annual picnic

**AUGUST 23, 2026 10:00 AM**

1989 Route 70 East, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

- Sign up to bring a dish to share
- Invite Friends and family
- Tickets to support our outreach will be available for sale.

**CONTACT**  
(856) 424-2229  
[www.stbarts-cherryhill.org](http://www.stbarts-cherryhill.org)

## September 11th 25th Anniversary Service of Remembrance

**Friday, September 11, 2026  
7:00 pm**

**St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church  
1989 Route 70, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003**



## **Parish Register Update Reminder**

Keeping our parish records current helps us stay connected and ensures our church records remain accurate for years to come.

If you have already received a form but have not yet returned it, please place it in the **office mailbox** at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation as we work to update our parish records. Your help is greatly appreciated!

## **ECW Jelly Bean Guessing Contest!**

**Can you guess how many jelly beans are in the jar?**

Put your counting skills to the test for a chance to **WIN \$100!**

### **Contest Details**

- \$2 = 1 Guess
- \$5 = 3 Guesses
- The person with the **closest guess to the actual number of jelly beans** wins!

 **Grand Prize: \$100 Cash**

 **Winner Announced:**

**Sunday, August 23, 2026, at the Annual Parish Picnic**

 **See Edie Bennett** for more information and to submit your guess(es).

Don't miss your chance to take home the prize! Stop by, make your guesses, and see if you're the lucky winner!

 **Guess Big • Win Big • Support ECW!** 

## ✦ SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH ✦

At St. Bartholomew's Church, your generosity makes a meaningful difference—both within our parish family and beyond.

### First Sunday of Each Month

**Loose plate donations** support the **Rector's Discretionary Fund**, providing confidential, compassionate assistance to individuals and families in times of urgent need.

### Third Sunday of Each Month

**Loose plate donations** are dedicated to **Outreach**, strengthening our mission and ministry in the wider community.

## ST. BART'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY

|                              |                           |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Budgeted Annual Income       | \$322,570.00              |
| Budgeted Annual Expenses     | \$328,089.00              |
| Income Year-to-Date          | \$244,328.79 <sup>1</sup> |
| Expenses Year to Date        | \$205,610.93              |
| Income 7/13/2026 – 7/19/2026 | \$28,155.00               |
| Expenses 7/13/2026-7/19/2026 | \$8,601.17                |
| Difference                   | \$19,533.83               |

<sup>1</sup>Includes \$93,000 withdrawn from investments Year -to-Date

## ☀ Warm Weather is Here—Let's Keep Our Neighbors Cool! 🧊

As the temperatures rise, **St. Bart's** is stepping up to support our friends and neighbors at **St. Wilfrid's**—and you can help!

We are now collecting:

-  **New or gently used fans**

**All items must be in good working condition.**

### **Questions?**

Please see **Candine or Norman** for more information.

### 💛 **Prefer to give financially?**

You can make a donation to help purchase fans:

- ♥ Use the envelopes in the pews
- ♥ Mark: **“Other – St. Wilfrid's Fans”**
- ♥ Be sure to include **“St. Wilfrid's Fans”** in the memo line of your check
- ♥ Every contribution—big or small—helps ensure someone stays safe and comfortable this season. Let's come together and make a meaningful difference!



## DIAPERS & DIGNITY DRIVE

Help Us Support Families in Need!

St. Bartholomew's is partnering with **St. Wilfrid's Open Door Pantry** to collect essential items for babies, toddlers, and adults in our community.

### **Most Needed Items:**

 Baby Diapers (all sizes)

 Baby Wipes

 Pull-Ups & Training Pants

 Adult Diapers & Incontinence Products

 Personal Care Wipes

Every donation helps provide comfort, dignity, and care to families facing difficult circumstances.

 **Bring your donations on Sunday mornings** and place them in the designated collection area in the Narthex.



## EQUIP A STUDENT, EMPOWER A FUTURE!

### **St. Bart's 2026 Back-to-School Collection**

Help local students start the new school year with confidence! St. Bartholomew's is collecting **new school supplies** for the children served by **St. Wilfrid's**. Whether you donate **a few supplies** or **fill an entire backpack**, your generosity will help equip students for a successful school year.

### **Suggested Donations**

 Backpack

 Erasers

 Notebooks

 Lunchbox

 Pencil Sharpeners

 Pocket Folders

 Water Bottle

 Colored Pencils

 3-Ring Binders

 Pencil Case

 Markers

 Filler Paper

 #2 Pencils

 Crayons

 Binder Dividers

 Blue or Black Pens

 Composition Books

**Every donation—large or small—makes a difference!** Thank you for helping our neighbors and ensuring every child has the tools they need to learn, grow, and thrive.

## This Week at St. Bart's

|                                                                  |                                                                                                               |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday, July 26</b><br><i>Proper 12</i>                       | <b>10:00 am Holy Eucharist</b><br><b>11:00 am Fellowship</b><br>11:00 am Grace Community Church               |
| <b>Monday, July 27</b><br><i>William Reed Huntington</i>         | Noon – AA Primary Purpose<br>7:30 pm NA Recovery in Progress                                                  |
| <b>Tuesday, July 28</b><br><i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>          | 10:00 am Overeaters Anonymous<br>Noon – AA Primary Purpose                                                    |
| <b>Wednesday, July 29</b><br><i>Mary &amp; Martha of Bethany</i> | Noon – AA Primary Purpose                                                                                     |
| <b>Thursday, July 30</b><br><i>William Wilberforce</i>           | Noon – AA Primary Purpose<br>6:15 pm – AA Ask the Basket                                                      |
| <b>Friday, July 31</b><br><i>Ignatius of Loyola</i>              | <b>Office Closed</b><br><b>10:00 am Altar &amp; Flower Guild</b><br>Noon – AA Primary Purpose                 |
| <b>Saturday, August 1</b><br><i>Joseph of Arimathea</i>          | <b>9 am Visitation Thelma Giles</b><br><b>11 am Funeral Thelma Giles</b>                                      |
| <b>Sunday, August 2</b><br><i>Proper 13</i>                      | <b>10:00 am Holy Eucharist &amp; Baptism</b><br><b>11:00 am Fellowship</b><br>11:00 am Grace Community Church |



# PLEASE HELP US FIND MATT A KIDNEY

## CONSIDER THE GIFT OF LIFE

Matt is a devoted husband and father to his daughter, Ava, who is facing kidney failure due to a rare genetic disease called Alport Syndrome. He's searching for a living kidney donor to help him continue building a life with his family - please share and read his story to learn how you can help.



**Scan the QR Code  
to learn more  
about Matt's story**

**email for questions/more information:**

[Julianaandmattdunleavy@gmail.com](mailto:Julianaandmattdunleavy@gmail.com)



### **Our Staff**

The Rev. Dr. Candine E. Johnson, Priest-in-Charge

The Rev. Art Knight, Deacon

William (Bill) Fenimore III, Music Director/ Organist

Elizabeth (Betsy) Murphy, Parish Administrator

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### **ST. BART'S VESTRY**

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WARDENS: Sharon Eggleston & Gail Powers

TREASURER: Patrick Jjemba

VESTRY: Class of 2026

Sharon Eggleston  
Monica Mundy  
Tennyson Sobers

Class of 2027

Catherine Clemons  
Gail Powers  
Jazz Tillman

Class of 2028

Charles Brown  
Bill Doherty  
Elijah Mansaray

## *June, July and August Office Hours*

Sunday 10 am Worship  
Monday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm  
Tuesday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm  
Wednesday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm  
Thursday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm  
Friday & Saturday Closed

