

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH

+A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR+

We have just received the 2017 Catholic Charity Parish Donor report for the 9th week ending April 21, 2017—For the parish goal of \$28,000.00 we were assessed by the diocese, we have reached to date \$22,883.00. Our sincere thanks to all our parishioners who donated whatever they could to this annual appeal. The total number of donors was 193. Of the other 856 registered parishioners/families we hope some of them will come forward to help us with the \$5,117.00 we still need to reach our goal of \$28,000.00. The Rhode Island Catholic newspaper recently listed all the parishes of the diocese and the amount each has raised so far in the Appeal. You can see there that St. Bartholomew has done well so far. Can our church eventually be among those who reached their goal? I appeal to those of you who have not yet given. Please do so soon and God will bless you!

+FIRST HOLY COMMUNION+

Best wishes to the 46 young girls and boys of our parish who will receive the Lord Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday, May 21st at the 11:30 am Mass. We pray for them and their families as they continue along their life-long journey of faith to follow Christ.

+THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY+

Blessed Prayer Shawls are available to all parishioners, relatives and friends who are homebound or suffering from a chronic illness. A shawl and prayers offer special comfort. Everyone interested in participating in the Prayer Shawl Ministry is welcome to attend the first meeting on SATURDAY, MAY 13th at 2:00 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. For a Prayer Shawl and information, please call Rosalie at 274-7806.

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

+MONTH OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER+

The month of May is traditionally dedicated throughout the Catholic world to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, as we honor and pay tribute to her in a very special way. The daily recitation of the Rosary is a beautiful way to honor Mary during this month. Let us each pray the Rosary for peace and for an end to violence and terrorism throughout the world.

All parishioners and friends are invited to attend our PARISH MAY CROWNING to be held on WEDNESDAY, MAY 24th at 7:00 pm. Plan to attend and join with our parish societies and First Communion Class in the recitation of the Rosary and crowning of our Blessed Mother.

A Year with Mary our Mother

“In this year, the Diocese of Providence will renew the devotion to Mary, the Mother of God. We will thrive anew to imitate her virtue, and to seek her grace and protection in our lives.”

Everyone is invited to a **Solemn Diocesan Celebration of “A Year with Mary our Mother”** on Saturday, May 13th at the Cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul in downtown Providence. Beginning with an outdoor procession at 11:00 am, followed by recitation of the Holy Rosary, and at 12:05 pm Holy Mass celebrated by the Most Rev. Thomas J. Tobin, Bishop of Providence, with Consecration of the Diocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

—is celebrated today, Sunday, May 7th. On this special day we pray that more men and women will be open to respond willingly to the Lord’s call to service in the Priesthood and Religious Life within the Church. We pray for their inspiration to us through the words of the Gospel, and for complete joy in their ministry.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASSES FOR MAY 8—14

(Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead. However, the following are specifically remembered this week.)

Monday, May 8

7:30 am – Intentions of Priest Celebrant
7:00 pm – Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, May 9

7:30 am – Intentions of Easter Flower Donors
6:00 pm – Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm – Novena Devotions & Benediction

Wednesday, May 10

7:30 am – Marie & Michael Balsiore by family

Thursday, May 11

7:30 am – Deceased of Anthony DiPetrillo Family

Friday, May 12

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

Saturday, May 13

8:00 am – In Honor of Our Lady of Fatima

WEEKEND MASSES

5:00 pm – Collective Mass

Ida Angeli by the Bucci Family
Michael Archetto
Ines Capuano by daughters
Louis & Rose Culla by daughter
Eugene & Adina D'Allesandro by daughter Sandra
Anna Fantini by Gina & family
Teresa Valentino by family

6:30 pm – Mass in Spanish

Sunday, May 14 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am – Collective Mass

Memorial Shrine Enrollments
Deceased of Holy Name Society
Marion Cuiccio by daughters
Jacqueline Lupo by family

9:30 am – Mass in Spanish

11:30 am – Collective Mass

Antonia Benvenuti by family
Virginia Cotoia by family
Concetta Court by family
Claudina DeFeo by family
Giuseppina & Carmine Santucci
Emanuela & Bambino Ventresca
by family

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF MAY 8--14:

Sanctuary Candle: James and Angela Semper
by daughter

Altar Bread & Wine: James and Angela Semper
by daughter

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST: AJ Lee Vasquez Lopez—
Ashley Lux Vasquez—Jessy Victoria Ramirez

MAY 7, 2017

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, May 9

Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy after 7:30 am Mass
6:00 pm – Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm – Novena Devotions & Benediction

Wednesday, May 10

7:00 pm – Holy Name Society Meeting, RH

Friday, May 12

3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chapel

Saturday, May 13

10:00 am – First Communion Class
2:00 pm – Prayer Shawl Meeting, RH

Sunday, May 14

Second Collection: Mother's Day Remembrance

+WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT+

What Our Lord Asks is

Not Equal Gifts—But Equal Sacrifice

(logo from Increase Giving Campaign)

Weekend of April 22–23

Envelopes & Loose Collection:	\$4,266.00
Second Collection: Utilities Fund	1,198.00
Total Income	\$5,464.00

Our sincere thanks to all those making our
Increase Giving Campaign possible.

SPONSORS FOR OUR BULLETIN

Because our weekly parish bulletin can no longer be paid by ads on the back page, we are hoping to help defray this expense by asking parishioners to come forward each week with a donation of \$50.00. Sponsoring the bulletin can be written in three ways: (1) **This week's bulletin is sponsored by (name of sponsor)** or (2) **This week's bulletin is sponsored in memory of (a deceased loved one)** or (3) **This week's bulletin is sponsored in memory of (a deceased loved one) by (name of sponsor or sponsors)**. Call the parish office if you wish to help