

Church of St. Bartholomew

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My Dear Parishioners,

On that first Christmas, the angels praised God saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth to men of good will." The shepherds came and adored the Savior.

We need to pause and treasure the gift of Christmas in our hearts. That gift is Jesus, true God who became man, who came to perfectly reveal God's truth and love to us, who died and rose for our salvation and who founded a Church, a family, whose presence continues in both word and sacrament. Treasure and reflect on the gift of Jesus and the faith you share in Him as a member of the Catholic Church.

We must not let Christmas just be a passing day. Live in the spirit of Christmas each day. Reflect upon how to better treasure this gift each day by making prayer an important part of your day, by seeking Christ in sacred scripture, by having a strong devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, by regularly going to confession and doing good works in imitation of Christ our Savior.

I wish each of you a blessed and joyous Christmas and New Year! Please be assured of a special place in my Masses and prayers for each of you.



Fr. Ralph

Christmas Flower Memorials

All the Souls in Purgatory by Donna Smith & Family
William & Pauline Angell by Carole & Jim Dixon
Deceased Members of the Bida Family by Pete & Barb Bida
Deceased Members of the Bolvari Family by Pete & Barb Bida
Anthony & Frances C. Caezza by Caezza Children and Grandchildren
William Chase Family by Sam Mercurio
Raymond & Eleanor Clark by Sam Mercurio
Gordon & Frances Cole by Rosanna Mejia and Kenneth & Ana Cole
Letha Cole by Rosanna Mejia and Kenneth & Ana Cole
Giuseppe & Nicolina Cordaro by Frank & Anna Cordaro
Mrs. Mary Cusumano by Cusumano Family
Betty & Owen Dewey by Rick & JoAnn Mirabito & Family
DiStefano Family by DiStefano Children
Anthony DiStefano by DiStefano Family
Joseph DiStefano by DiStefano Family
Thomas & Priscilla DiStefano by DiStefano Family
James & Catherine Dixon by Carole & Jim Dixon
James Dixon III by Mom and Dad
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Emerson by Cusumano Family
Mary Everard by Sam Mercurio
JoAnn Ezick by Ron & Kathy Meek
Frank & Angelina Famolaro by Julia M. Marino
Joseph & Mildred Fellin by Mary Lou & Larry Monahan
Helen C. Ford by Patrick & Debra Ford & family
Charlene E. Frear by Patrick & Debra Ford & Family
Angelo, Betsy, Marty & John Garito by Cindy and Ted Guinn
Deceased Members of the Joseph & Rose Garofalo Family by
Donna & Family
Grace & Otto Gesslein by Grace Gesslein
The Gilbert & Lee Families & Infant Emily S. Lee by
James and Michelle Lee & Family
Wilfred Hinkly Family by Sam Mercurio
Robert and Rita Krom by Robert and Maryanne Krom
Linda Lombardi by Rosanna Mejia and Kenneth & Ana Cole
Virginia Maiurano by Husband, Bill
Virginia Maiurano by Ginny, Bob, David & Becky Allen
Sheri Marmillion by Rick & JoAnn Mirabito & Family
Edward and Jeanne Martineck by Robert and Maryanne Krom
Archie & Gertrude Meek by Ron & Kathy Meek
All deceased members of the Mejia Family by Rosanna Mejia and
Kenneth & Ana Cole
Mr. & Mrs. Ignacio Mejia Sr. by Rosanna Mejia and
Kenneth & Ana Cole
Deceased Members of Mercurio Family by Sam Mercurio
Buddy & Dolly Merhib by Angela Jones
Soddy & Carmie Mirabito by Rick & JoAnn Mirabito & Family
Giuseppe & Antonia Nastasi by Frank & Anna Cordaro
Anna Politano by Mary Politano
Ida Politano by Mary Politano
Louis Politano by Mary Politano
Kate, Jim & Joey Rotundo by The Mazzeo & Pelton Families
Deceased Members of the Pires, Loscavio and Newell families
by Margaret & Richard Newell
Michael T. Sawyer by Erica & Justin Sawyer
James & Joan Smith by Donna & Family
Howard & Gladys Thayer by Ron & Kathy Meek
Jerome & Coralie Ulatowski by Chris & Donna

To the Glory of God, The choirs of St. Bart's and St. Paul's by
Joan & Alan Galati



Christmas Window Candle Memorials

David Beltz by Rosemary & Family
Andrew & Eunice Bilow by Gary & Pat Bilow
Aileen Brauer by Grace Gesslein
Frances T. Caezza by Caezza nieces and nephews
Frank & Grace Canto by Gary & Pat Bilow
Alice & Dennis Cheney by Patrick & Debra Ford
Letha Cole by Gary & Pat Bilow
Giuseppe & Nicolina Cordaro by Frank & Anna Cordaro
Tony DeFonzo by Bertha DeFonzo & Family
Earl Derby by Tullio & Diane Morbidini
Anthony DiStefano by DiStefano Family
Joseph DiStefano by DiStefano Family
Thomas & Priscilla DiStefano by DiStefano Family
Thomas & Priscilla DiStefano by DiStefano Children
Thomas & Marian Dixon by Gary & Pat Bilow
Mary Snell Edholm by Donna Purdy
Jude Farrell by Robert and Maryanne Krom
Joseph and Mildred Fellin by Mary Lou & Larry Monahan
Margaret Foelette by Grace Gesslein
Helen C. Ford by Patrick & Debra Ford
Joseph Frank Family by Rosemary & Family
Charlene E. Frear by Patrick & Debra Ford
Bart & Molly Garito by Kathy
John J. Garofalo by Michael & LeVon Garofalo
Arlene Gesslein by Grace Gesslein
Bertha Gesslein by Grace Gesslein
Grace & Otto Gesslein by Grace Gesslein
Wendy Gesslein by Grace Gesslein
Margaret Hutchinson by Grace Gesslein
Tom & Anna Kennedy by Kathy
Twins King and Kash Kemsley by Grandparents Pete & Barb Bida
Infant Emily S. Lee by James, Michelle, Kate & Brendan Lee
Linda Lombardi by Gary & Pat Bilow
Virginia Maiurano by husband, Bill
Virginia Maiurano by Ginny, Bob, David & Becky Allen
Anthony Marino by Julia M. Marino
Antonio & Bartola Marino by Julia M. Marino
Brandon Marino by Julia M. Marino
Leonardo A. Marino by Julia M. Marino
Buddy Merhib by Angela Jones
Dolly Merhib by Angela Jones
Giulio Morbidini by Tullio & Diane Morbidini
Giuseppe & Antonia Nastasi by Frank & Anna Cordaro
James Niles by Carole & Jim Dixon
Darland & Doris Peters by Georgi Green
Maria & Joseph Politano by Mary Politano
The Powers Family by Cusumano Family
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Russello by Cusumano Family
Pauline Sayles by Georgi Green
A.J. "Skip" Schibeci by Bertha DeFonzo & Family
Rose & Angelo Schibeci by Bertha DeFonzo & Family
My deceased family by Jean Smith
Vera Smith by Angela Jones
Vernon & Mary Stanard by Gary & Pat Bilow
Frank, Maria & William Anthony Sultan by Pixie Sultan
Seth Ward by Donna Purdy