

FEBRUARY 18: THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Readings from Year B, the Revised Common Lectionary:

Genesis 9:8-17; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15

8 am Rite I Eucharist [Chapel]

In the traditional language of *The Book of Common Prayer*.

8:45 am-12:15 pm Free Child Care (Through Age Five) [Room 51]

Contact Lucy Breidenthal Bernardin at Lbernardin@stbarts.org or 212-378-0273.

9 am Eucharist [Church]

St. Bart's Singers lead our songs of praise and sing Hilton's "Lord for thy tender mercy's sake."

10 am KAIROS: Sunday School and Youth Group [4th Floor]

10:05 am The Rector's Forum [Church]

Join us as we welcome author Hillary Jordan for conversation about her award-winning work. Her first novel, "Mudbound," portrays the subtle and brutal prejudice in the lives of families on a Mississippi Delta farm in the 1940's. Her fiction debut is now an Oscar-nominated feature film on Netflix, starring Mary J. Blige and Michelle Williams.

11 am Choral Eucharist [Church]

St. Bartholomew's Choir offers music of Farrant, Mendelssohn-Bartholdy and Victoria.

5 pm Community Eucharist [Chapel]

An informal and intimate service, celebrated in our beautiful Chapel.

PASTORAL CARE: St. Bart's Clergy are here to support you pastorally. If you are, or will be, in the hospital or are confined at home, please be in touch with us. We will be glad to arrange a visit, bring communion to you, and/or speak by phone with you. More information on pastoral services available and clergy contact information are on page 6.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday-Friday: 12:05 pm Eucharist, 5:30 pm Evening Prayer
Wednesday: 6 pm Eucharist; **Saturday:** 10 am Morning Prayer

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

THE BIBLE, THE NEW YORK TIMES AND YOU: Wednesdays, 12:45-2 pm, Vestry Room. Thoughtful reflection on the upcoming Sunday Gospel + the day's *New York Times* op-ed pages. To learn more, please email sanders@stbarts.org.

MEDITATION PRACTICES

LIVING CHRIST SANGHA: Sundays, 3-4:45 pm, Room 52
MEDITATION MONDAYS: Mondays, 12:30-1:30 pm, Church

iREST: Mondays, 5:45-6:45 pm, Church

YOGA: Tuesdays, 5:30-7 pm, Church

CANDLELIT YOGA & MUSIC: 3rd Thursdays each month, 7-8:30 pm, Church

Details: stbarts.org/get-involved/community-groups/meditation-practices or contact David Bryan: bryan@stbarts.org, 212-378-0246.



If You Need Help: Our clergy share the responsibility of being on call. If your need is urgent, call 212-378-0250 and you will be forwarded to a priest on duty. For other matters, call during business hours at one of the numbers in the staff listing below.

Pastoral Services:

Baptisms are scheduled throughout the year on specific Sundays (dates available at stbarts.org). In certain circumstances, private baptisms may be arranged. Contact the Rev. Matthew J. Moretz, moretz@stbarts.org.

Marriage and Blessings of Commitments require consultation with clergy (see contact info, below). For arrangements and set-up requirements, contact David Bryan at 212-378-0246.

Funeral and Memorial Service planning begins when a death is reported to any of the clergy, using the pastoral emergency line, 212-378-0250.

Laying on of Hands and Prayers are offered at the 9 am and 11 am Sunday services, Wednesdays at 12:05 pm, and by request during the week.

Reconciliation of a Penitent (private confession and counsel) can be scheduled with any of the clergy.

Communion for the sick or home-bound (or pastoral visits to the hospital) can be arranged through the Rev. Matthew J. Moretz, moretz@stbarts.org.

To add a name to the prayer list, you may send an email to prayers@stbarts.org or contact any of the clergy.

Space Use and Rentals: Call or email St. Bart's Central (see below) if you wish to arrange a parish meeting in the Church or Community House. For outside users, we offer a limited number of rooms: contact Heather Bryant, hbryant@stbarts.org, 212-378-0254. Please understand that we are only able to offer these spaces at established market rates.

THE CLERGY AND STAFF OF ST. BART'S ARE HERE FOR YOU:

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VESTRY OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

Peter Kendall and Liza Page Nelson, *Wardens*
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Catherine Belford Budd, Archer Christian Burke, Hunter T. Carter, Timothy W. Collins, Peter B. de Menocal, John Gilliland, Morihiko Goto, Robert Gutheil, Mary Krueger, Heather Mitchell, Alexander Robertson, Barbara Case Senchak, Susannah Wade Lewis, Chantal Stevens

Honorary Wardens: Fletcher Hodges III, Anthony P. Marshall, and Percy Preston, Jr.

ST BART'S

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany
February 11, 2018



We hope you find yours here.

Here is a place that is ancient and new, a faith that we hold going back to Jesus, back to his spiritual ancestors, back to those who walked the earth and found holy ground. And what we do is often based on really ancient patterns—worship and music; loving service to the poor, the hurting, the lonely; working for justice and peace; lively, fearless education and formation of minds and souls. And that faith is also completely contemporary, engaged in the culture and the needs of the moment.

WHAT WE ARE FOR

The dignity and worth of every person. An open minded, passionate commitment to truth. The importance of everyone's own spiritual journey. God's friends wherever we find them. Seeking Christ in every person who comes through the door. The sacredness of life's rites of passage. The value of community. The hard work necessary to make sure that all are welcomed. Telling the truth about life's challenges. A "user-friendly" church experience. Children, youth and families.

WHAT WE ARE AGAINST

Claiming to have all the answers. Elitism and exclusivism, especially in church. Bigotry for any reason. Authoritarianism. Indifference to injustice and suffering. Certitude in the face of ambiguity and superficial answers to hard questions. Boring sermons, bad music and general cluelessness. (So, God help us, because we don't always avoid these!)

WHAT WE VALUE

Community, open hearts, open minds, open arms. Faith. Fortitude. Staying current, but equally staying rooted in tradition. Reason and honesty. Civic responsibility as New Yorkers, Americans and global citizens. Debate that allows for mutual respect. Music and beauty for their own sake. Joy in God's creation. Anyone who makes an effort to get to know and follow Jesus.

WELCOME!

FEBRUARY 11: THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Readings from Year B, the Revised Common Lectionary:

2 Kings 2:1-12; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9

8 am Rite I Eucharist [Chapel]

Sermon: The Reverend Matthew J. Moretz

In the traditional language of *The Book of Common Prayer*.

8:45 am-12:15 pm Free Child Care (Through Age Five) [Room 51]

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9 am Eucharist [Church]

Sermon: The Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe

St. Bart's Singers lead our songs of praise and sing Hayes' "Alleluia."

10 am KAIROS: Sunday School and Youth Group [Room 33]

Join us for a Shrove Sunday Pancake Breakfast and prayer-bead making party in anticipation of Lenten prayerfulness and mindfulness! All are welcome.

10 am Annual Meeting [Church]

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place today in the nave of the Church.

All are invited to attend. The election of continuing members and new members of the Vestry will take place in the church from 8 am until noon.

11 am Choral Morning Prayer and Eucharist [Church]

Sermon: The Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe

St. Bartholomew's Choir, St. Bart's Singers and the Boy and Girl Choristers offer music of Handel, Stanford, Willan, and Wilby.

12:30 pm EXPLORE Class [Vestry Room]

What's our "take" on the Bible? What are the Episcopal Church's "hot-button" issues? How do Episcopalians handle differences? Join Matthew Moretz for the final installment of this introductory course for adults.

5 pm Community Eucharist [Chapel]

Sermon: The Reverend John F. Wirenius

An informal and intimate service, celebrated in our beautiful Chapel.

ABOUT TODAY'S LITURGY AND MUSIC

Our 11 am service today features the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in B-flat of Charles Villiers Stanford. It is difficult to fully appreciate Stanford without understanding that before he and his contemporaries Hubert Parry and Alexander Mackenzie began composing in the Victorian era, there was very little of musical interest happening in the British Isles. From the time that the German-born George Frederick Handel moved to London in 1712, native English composers mostly just imitated Handel's style. During the lifetimes of Mozart, Haydn, and Beethoven, England was known as the "land without music." Stanford was instrumental in changing this: and although he composed seven symphonies and nine operas, he is mostly remembered for his church music. He wrote many practical Mass settings and canticles which are still a staple of the repertoire for so many church choirs.

Healing Prayer: Available during communion at the 9 am and 11 am services.

Accessible St. Bart's: Our ramped entrance through the garden is currently out of service. As an alternative, the entrance at 109 E. 50th St. is available on Sunday mornings. Accessible restrooms are located off the lobby inside the Park Avenue entrance. Large-print service leaflets (and Books of Common Prayer) are available at our welcome desk in the lobby.

Parking: St. Bart's happily provides parking free of charge for those who attend services on Sunday. The garage is on the south side of East 51st Street (between 3rd and Lexington Avenues). Ask an usher or someone at St. Bart's Central for a voucher. (Because some have asked, please note that each redeemed parking voucher costs St. Bart's \$12.)

WELCOME TO ST. BART'S

VISITING OR CHECKING US OUT TODAY? THINKING OF JOINING?

St. Bart's may be the place for you. Here's how to connect:

- **JOIN US** for coffee and hospitality after the 8 am, 9 am and 11 am services.

- **EXPLORE** New to St. Bart's or the Episcopal Church? Thinking of joining? Looking at life and faith in new ways? Join our Winter series of EXPLORE classes: Sundays through February 11, 12:30-2 pm in the Vestry Room. All are welcome.

- **ASK QUESTIONS** and fill out a welcome card at our Welcome Table, found near the back of the church. If you like, order a name button. Welcome Committee members (wearing green buttons), ushers, clergy and friendly people would love to talk to you!

- **TAKE A GUIDED TOUR** of this landmark building; meet by the Welcome Table in the back of the Church immediately after the 11 am service.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Contact Manny Rodríguez, Welcome, Parish Life and Stewardship Associate: rodriguez@stbarts.org or 212-378-0230.

ONGOING AND UPCOMING

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION FOR VESTRY IN 2018: Our Annual Parish Meeting will be held today in the nave of the Church, following the 9am Eucharist.

All are invited to attend. The Vestry has nominated the following persons: John Gilliland for a two-year term as Warden; Kathleen Breiten and Keith Rook to join the Vestry for terms of three years; and Peter deMenocal, Mary Krueger and Susannah Wade Lewis for re-election to the Vestry for three-year terms. More information on all our nominees may be found at the tables in the back of the church, at all ballot stations, and online at stbarts.org/annualmeeting.

SHROVE TUESDAY EXTRAVAGANZA: February 13 from 6 to 8:30 pm, Rooms 32 and 33. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, February 14—but not without a party first! All ages are welcome to join us for a festive Shrove Tuesday dinner featuring live music and the traditional Anglican feast of pancakes along with a Mardi Gras themed gumbo, salad and bread pudding for dessert. Soda, tea and special Mardi Gras cocktail will be served. Seating is limited (and filling quickly) so please reserve early at stbarts.org. Tickets: \$20 purchased in advance, \$30 at the door; children under 10 free; family maximum \$60.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 14

All are welcome to join us as we begin the Holy Season of Lent.

7 am-7 pm Imposition of ashes offered continuously and at all services

8 am Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

12:05 pm Choral Eucharist (Church)

6 pm Choral Eucharist (Church)

BEYOND BAPTISM—A Confirmation, Reaffirmation, and Reception Dinner Series: Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm, February 21-March 7. Join us for our Lenten dinner and class series, primarily for adults who will be confirmed by our bishop, received into this parish as members, or who are reaffirming baptismal vows. Each week we will gather for a meal and have an interactive presentation with discussion on topics of the Christian faith. We will end our time together with a simple service of Compline. Although this class is a prerequisite for certain rites, all adults are heartily welcome to this dinner series.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL is accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. For over 40 years, our preschool has provided a warm, nurturing first school experience. Learn more at stbarts.org/preschool.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MARCH 25

Palm Sunday—Holy Week begins

APRIL 1

Easter Day—Services at 8 am, 9 am, 11 am, and 5 pm

APRIL 8-29

EXPLORE Classes, Sundays 10-10:45 am

APRIL 16, 23; MAY 7, 14

7-8:30 pm "Listening to the 'Nones'" Class with Dr. Patrick Hornbeck

MAY 6

Acolyte Moving Up Ceremony at 9 am, Welcome Sunday at 11 am

MAY 20

Confirmations, Receptions and Reaffirmations with The Right Reverend Mary D. Glasspool, Assistant Bishop, The Episcopal Diocese of New York

Learn more at stbarts.org

EPISCOPAL PEACE FELLOWSHIP: Our next meeting is on **Sunday, February 18, 12:30-2 pm**, in the Crossroads Community meeting Room (downstairs). All are welcome! Light refreshments will be served. The meeting will feature a discussion by some people who attended the NY Diocese's recent Anti-Racism Workshop at St. Bart's and related remarks from Andrea King on the non-violence training she received on racial justice in Rhode island this past summer.

JOIN THE ST. BART'S 40S/50S GROUP for our first brunch in 2018. We will be getting together on **Sunday, February 18** at a nearby cozy pub, *The Press Box* (932 2nd Avenue). Excellent menu with excellent company, we hope! If you plan to join us RSVP to st.barts.plus@gmail.com. We will meet in the back of the church that Sunday to walk over the restaurant together.

CENTERING PRAYER IN LENT: Lent is a time of reflection and preparation as we approach the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. Instead of giving up something, consider taking on a spiritual discipline. Join us in learning about and practicing Centering Prayer. This prayer method helps us to quiet our busy minds and listen deeply to God's presence in our lives. St. Bart's parishioner, Kathleen Breiten, will lead us in **5 Monday night sessions from 6:30-7:30 pm in Room 33, from February 26 to March 26**. All are invited. No prior experience needed.

ST. BART'S PLAYERS: Auditions for *You Can't Take it With You* are on **February 12 and 13 at 7 pm with callbacks February 15 at 7 pm** (all held at the church). Bring your church bulletin, and skip the audition line! Audition sides and more information may be found at stbartsplayers.org.



If you haven't made your pledge for 2018, please do so right away!

Your pledge is important to St. Bart's as we plan our budget for 2018. Pledges must be entered annually; even if your credit card is being charged, we would love to have you pledge. You can pledge online or use the pledge card that was recently mailed. Tax letters for 2017 for donations greater than \$250 will be mailed in late February. We will continue our efforts to go "green" this year, as we streamline our acknowledgement letter

process. Please be patient with us. Questions? Please call or email the Stewardship office at 212-378-0278 or rodriguez@stbarts.org.

We strive to share our mission of radical welcome and hospitality with the world through photos and video. From time to time we document church events for use in publications, website, and social media. By your presence, you grant St. Bart's unrestricted rights to use and publish, transmit or telecast images, and or likenesses that may be taken of you for use in communications related to the church. Please contact Kara Flannery, Director of Communications, with any questions at 212-378-0239 or flannery@stbarts.org.