

## SAINT BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
August 29, 2010

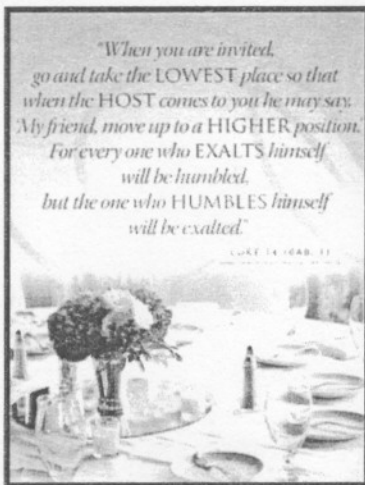


Table etiquette used to be part of having "good manners." Jesus himself offered some words on this matter. His words continue to instruct, even in a world of fast food, carry-out, and microwave meals. But his suggestions apply to those hoping to dine in the Kingdom of God

someday.

Jesus is not just taking a turn as Emily Post in today's Gospel. At first sight, this Gospel can simply seem to be a case of calling people to be more respectful of others of higher standards. To the guests he says: Don't rush for the best places near the host, the seats of honor. You might end up embarrassed if someone else has a better claim to that seat. So be humble, take a lesser place and let the host bring you higher.

What is this all about? It is about being children of the Kingdom of God, about being humble before the table of the Lord and about inviting the needy to that table, just as God did when God began to form a people out of a lowly group of slaves in Egypt. This people God called to be the chosen people. So be generous now as God has been generous with you.

*Jesus calls all who approach his table to have humility before one another and to provide room for the weak and those often judged to be unworthy. How might this come into play at the Eucharist?*

We pray that we might rejoice with all who join us at the table of the Lord and be satisfied with the very fact that we are there. We ask the Lord to draw to this holy place a gathering that excels in serving one another and reaching out to those who have known rejection and exclusion.



### MISSIONARY

We welcome to our parish this weekend, Fr. Chris, who is here to speak about the missions in his country. Our second collection next week are for Fr. Chris's country. Please be as generous as possible.

### PARISH GATHERING

*By now you have also received your invitation to our parish gathering on September 12th at noon. You also received a puzzle piece that we are asking you to bring with you. I know you have been "puzzled" by the bulletin inserts. If you have any questions, please call me. If your schedule does not permit your attending, I will have a basket in the front of the church to collect your puzzle pieces and your completed survey. I encourage you to take the time to complete your survey so the parish staff and Pastoral Council will have your input as we plan for the future here at St. Bart's.*

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**WEEK OF 8-22-10 — \$6,802.25**  
**Budgeted Collection Amount \$8,100.00**

**Time is a gift that is given to God's people. We are to use it according to God's own plan.**

**To each God gives a measured amount; to each a directive to make it count. Spend this gift wisely. Develop life's plan to the Glory of God and the Service of each other.**

*Have a Blessed Week.*

*- - Sister Dorothy*



**SCHOOL  
NEWS**

Thursday, August 27  
marked the first day of  
school for the 2010–2011  
school year. Please keep  
our students and teachers  
in your prayers.

**Sharing the Gospel For Children**

If you act bossy, you might get your way, but you won't make many friends. Jesus shared a secret about making friends. When you treat other kids with kindness, they will want to be your friends. Instead of telling other kids what to do, ask other kids to choose a game. If you want to play tag with other kids, offer to be "it" first. If it is time to line up to go outside, offer to go to the back of the line and let other kids in front of you.

**Prayer**

Dear God, help me to be a good friend.

**Something to Draw**

Draw a picture of yourself at the end of the line.

**Mission for the Week**

When you sit down with your family for dinner tonight, ask if you can serve the food. You may surprise your parents and get some pretty big smiles from them.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**SEPTEMBER 12, 2010**  
**ARE YOU STILL PUZZLED?**

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

As in today's gospel, Jesus often used a meal as the place to teach. Too often family meals are rushed, eaten in shifts or in the hypnotic glow of TV. Meals can be sacred times where we listen, share, appreciate and instruct one another. Don't lose the opportunity.

ST. BART'S "60<sup>th</sup>"  
PARISH FESTIVAL  
OCTOBER  
7, 8, 9, 10, 2010  
Rides, Games,  
Homemade Food,  
Basket Auction,  
Poker, Bingo,  
Instant Bingo,  
50/50 Raffle Nightly



**You are invited to join  
St. Bart's Choir**

We rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:15 PM in the choir room. The first rehearsal for the new choir season is on Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Our choir works very hard on our music to sing prayer and praises to our God. Please consider becoming a part of this important ministry here at St. Bart's Parish!

**AUGUST 29, 2010**



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**CCD—RICA**

As summer moves swiftly on, we are beginning preparations for the coming year of CCD and RCIA. There will be an open house for all CCD students on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 am mass, and classes will officially begin on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.

Registration forms have been e-mailed or mailed to those who were in the program last year. Extra forms can be found in the vestibule of the church or you may stop by the rectory office. Early bird registration discounts are available if forms are returned before August 22<sup>nd</sup>.



For those interested in full communion with the church through the RCIA program, we will be once again conducting classes as a part of the cluster activities. Classes will begin in late September or early October. Please call the rectory as soon as possible for more information.

Blessings  
Denise and Colleen

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**MONDAY, AUGUST 30**  
**WEEKDAY**

10:00 AM Nancy Gazzo (St. Bart's  
Ladies of Charity)

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 31**  
**WEEKDAY**

8:00 AM St. Irenaeus  
9:00 AM St. Gerard Majella, St. Joseph

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**  
**WEEKDAY**

8:00 AM St. Irenaeus  
9:00 AM St. Gerard Majella, St. Susanna  
1:30 PM **QUEST BIBLE STUDY**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**  
**WEEKDAY**

10:00 AM Steven Tierney (Family)  
6:30 PM **NO QUEST BIBLE STUDY**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**  
**SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT**

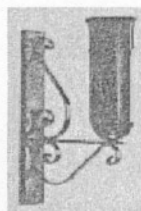
10:00 AM Kozusko Family (Joanne  
Maguire)

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**  
**VIGIL, TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF**  
**ORDINARY TIME**

4:00 PM CONFESSIONS  
4:00 PM HOLY HOUR  
5:00 PM William J. Brady, Jr. (Claire)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**  
**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN**  
**ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 AM Larry Craver (Mom & Dad)  
10:30 PM People of the Parish



The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of Philomena Matts from Fred Vella.