

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30: THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Appointed readings: Isaiah 64:1-9; Mark 13:24-37

8 am Rite I Eucharist * [Chapel]
In the traditional language of The Book of Common Prayer
Homily: The Rev. F. M. “Buddy” Stallings

9 am Eucharist [Church]
Sermon: The Rev. F. M. “Buddy” Stallings
St. Bart’s Singers lead our songs of praise.

10 am Advent Wreath Making [Cafe]
All ages gather for this beloved tradition. Materials will be provided;
there is a suggested donation of \$20 to cover the cost.

11 am Choral Eucharist [Church]
Sermon: The Rev. F. M. “Buddy” Stallings
St. Bartholomew’s Choir and St. Bartholomew’s Boy and Girl Choristers sing
music of Manz and Ramsey.

5 pm An Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols [Church]
A beautiful service of music, scripture, and candlelight, with St. Bartholomew’s
Boy and Girl Choristers, St. Bart’s Singers and St. Bartholomew’s Choir offering
music of Archer, Carter, Susa, Palestrina, Paulus, Stainer, and Stanford.
A festive reception follows the service!

6 pm Eucharist [Chapel]
Following the Lessons & Carols service, we will have a very short Eucharist
in the Chapel.

WEEKDAY SERVICES
Monday–Friday: 12:05 pm Eucharist, 5:30 pm Evening Prayer
Wednesday: 6 pm Eucharist
Saturday: 10 am Morning Prayer

** Eucharist is from the Greek for “thanksgiving” and is our regular worship service, at the heart of all we do and are. It is also known as the Lord’s Supper, Holy Communion, Mass or Divine Liturgy.*

PRAYER / MEDITATION / BIBLE STUDY

LIVING CHRIST SANGHA: Sundays, 3–4:45 pm in Room 52. A Christian mindfulness practice with sitting and walking meditations, brief teaching and discussion. All are welcome. stbarts.org/living-christ-sangha

MEDITATION MONDAYS: 12:30–1:30 pm in the Church (except holidays). Come center yourself and soothe your soul in an environment of architectural splendor accompanied by a rich landscape of sounds. Info: bryan@stbarts.org

YOGA AT ST. BART’S! Tuesdays, 5:30–7 pm. Leave the crowded midtown studios—St. Bart’s has plenty of space! BYOM—Bring Your Own Mat! The class is free; donations will be accepted. Info: bryan@stbarts.org

THE BIBLE FOR THE CHURCH OF TOMORROW: Wednesdays, 7:45–8:45 am, Chapel. Examines practical implications of the Gospel for our lives—a chance to refuel in the middle of the week. Questions: stallings@stbarts.org

TAI CHI: Wednesdays, 9–10 am, in the Church. An Eastern mind-body practice, great for reducing stress, increasing balance and flexibility, and promoting health of mind, body, and spirit. Donations accepted. Questions: bryan@stbarts.org

THE BIBLE, THE NEW YORK TIMES AND YOU: Wednesdays, 12:45–2 pm. Thoughtful reflection on the upcoming Sunday Gospel + the day’s *New York Times* op-ed pages. Led by the Rev. Lynn Sanders: sanders@stbarts.org

CENTERING PRAYER: Saturdays, 10:45 am, in the Vestry room. Meditative prayer practice, rooted in the Christian tradition, with a strong emphasis on interior silence. Contact Rosemary English: rce6770@aol.com



When 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 the priest on duty. For other matters, call during business hours at one of the numbers in the staff listing below.

Pastoral Services And Sacraments:

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 Heather Bryant at 212-378-0254.

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

Laying on of Hands and Healing Prayers are offered at the 9 am, 11 am and 5 pm Sunday services, Wednesdays at 12:05 pm, and by request during the week.

The rite of 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. Bruce W. Forbes.

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

Community Ministry: St. Bartholomew’s offers many programs, including a soup kitchen, a food pantry and an overnight shelter. Your support through volunteering, groceries, and donations is greatly appreciated.

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.

Lost & Found: St. Bart’s Central desk maintains a lost and found collection in the lobby of the church. If you have anything to return, or anything to retrieve, please visit the desk (open 9 am - 6 pm daily), or contact St. Bart’s Central.

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Vestry of St. Bartholomew’s Church

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Zack Bacon, Laura Norwalk Bendelius, Mildred C. Brinn, Hunter T. Carter, Michael T. Duffy, William Erhardt, Morihiko Goto, Jinsoo H. Kim, Dulcie T. Mapondera, Heather Mitchell, Liza Page Nelson, Allison Rutledge-Parisi, Barbara Case Senchak, Peter Sullivan, and Douglas Tanner.

Honorary Warden: Percy Preston, Jr.

ST BART’S

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 23, 2014



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!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23: THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Readings from Year A, the Revised Common Lectionary
Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

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9 am Eucharist [Church]
Sermon: The Rev. F. M. “Buddy” Stallings
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10 am Sunday School [Chapel]
Abraham, Sarah and Isaac: Curious about our new method of engaging scripture with LEGO bricks? Come try it out today!

10 am Youth @ the Center [Vestry Room]

10 am “The Salon”—A Space for Fellowship [Great Terrace]

10:05 am The Forum [Church]
Addressing Economic inequality: Mercy, Justice, or Both. How do people of faith engage the difficult questions of wealth and income inequality? What are the roles of charity, and policies regarding labor, welfare, and taxes? Building on a previous forum on inequality, economists Teresa Ghilarducci and Rick McGahey (St. Bart’s members, New School professors, and policy advocates) will be Buddy’s guests as a follow up to their earlier presentation.

11 am Choral Morning Prayer and Eucharist [Church]
Sermon: The Rev. F. M. “Buddy” Stallings
St. Bartholomew’s Choir and St. Bartholomew’s Boy and Girl Choristers sing music of Handl, Jackson, Sumsion, and Williams.

5 pm A Community Eucharist [Chapel]
Sermon: Ms. Kije M. Rwamasirabo
An informal and intimate service, celebrated in our beautiful Chapel.

ABOUT TODAY’S LITURGY AND MUSIC

The Last Sunday after Pentecost is the final Sunday of the liturgical year and is often referred to as “Christ the King,” since today’s readings depict Jesus in a position of great power in heaven. While the epistle to the Ephesians refers to “the immeasurable greatness of his power” above all rule and authority, Matthew’s Gospel places Jesus on the throne of his glory, separating the sheep from the goats and commanding those on his right hand (the sheep) to “inherit the kingdom.”

At 11 am, Morning Prayer, which includes sung settings of the canticles and psalm, serves as the Liturgy of the Word. In Morning Prayer according to the Book of Common Prayer, the first canticle is always the Venite, Psalm 95 (“O come let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation...”). This morning, this is followed by Psalm 100, sung to an Anglican Chant by Francis Jackson. Today’s canticles, the *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* are from the G Major setting by Herbert Sumsion, written in 1942 for Gloucester Cathedral, where Sumsion was the Organist and Choirmaster from 1928 to 1967. Unlike many noble settings of the *Magnificat*, Sumsion’s setting is lyrical with moments of great tenderness with the organ playing a major role in participating in the musical depiction of this hymn in dialogue with the choir. In the *Nunc Dimittis* the organ introduces a melodic motif in a sequence which ends with a triplet figure. The choir repeats this exact motif and figure when singing the *Gloria Patri*, unifying the work from beginning to end.

Healing Prayer: Available during communion at the 9 am, 11 am and 5 pm services.

Child Care (Infants to Age Four): Room 51, Community House, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Contact Wendy Barrie for more information at 212-378-0273 or barrie@stbarts.org.

Accessible St. Bart’s: •There’s a ramped entrance through the garden on Park Avenue at 51st Street. •Accessible restrooms are located off the lobby inside the Park Avenue entrance. •Large-print service leaflets 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 your voucher. (Because some have asked, please note that each redeemed parking voucher costs St. Bart’s \$8.00.)

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.
- **CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES** are invited to gather for fun and fellowship under the South Balcony.
- **ASK QUESTIONS** at the Welcome Table, fill out a Welcome card, and 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 at the lectern (in the Church, front left) immediately after the 11 am service.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

If you have any questions about involvement, volunteering, membership or anything else, contact David Bryan, Director of Welcome, Inclusion and Incorporation: bryan@stbarts.org or 212-378-0246

ONGOING AND UPCOMING

ST. BART’S SALON: Please join us for conversation and refreshment in this new fellowship space located on the **first floor terrace. Open from 10-11 am on Sunday mornings** (at the same time as our Forum). Coffee and hot cider will be available, along with a variety of seating. You may enter the Salon via the Cloister hallway.

EPISCOPAL PEACE FELLOWSHIP: St. Bart’s chapter will meet **today at 12:30 pm** in the Crossroads Community Services meeting room. All are welcome. For more information, please visit stbarts.org/episcopal-peace-fellowship.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Christmas is a wonderful time for flower donations, either in “Thanksgiving for” or “In Memory of” a loved one. By contributing to the Flower Fund you will also help St. Bart’s look its best as we welcome visitors from across the globe. Information: St. Bart’s Central at 212-378-0222 or central@stbarts.org. **Donations made by December 16** will be listed in the Christmas service bulletins.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERIVCE: **Thursday, November 27 at 11 am.** Join us in the Chapel on Thanksgiving Day for Eucharist, traditional hymns of Thanksgiving and a sermon by the Rev. Edward Sunderland.

FARE SHARE FRIDAY: On the day after Thanksgiving, **November 28**, *Crossroads Community Services* will host an extraordinary Thanksgiving Dinner for 500 people, in the nave of St. Bart’s. This dinner is a shared meal for those committed to ending homelessness and preventing hunger: people who are currently homeless, those at risk for hunger, and those who are not. The dinner will be prepared by two of New York City’s finest chefs—David Garcelon of *The Waldorf Astoria*, and Jacques Sorci of *The New York Palace*. We will have seatings at 4 pm and 7 pm. For more information or to purchase tickets (\$100), go to www.faresharefriday.bpt.me.

PANTRY, SHELTER AND SOUP KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!
This Monday, November 24 at 6 pm, a short volunteer orientation will be held in the Vestry room. Enter at 108 E 51st Street and follow the signs. We have orientation on the fourth Monday of each month except December. Questions? Email Edward Sunderland: sunderland@stbarts.org.

CHRISTMAS MIRACLES PROGRAM: Details can be found on the display rack in the lobby. You can either take one of the 75 residents’ letters from *The Ottilie Treatment Center* and fulfill their wish or make a donation to *Crossroads Community Services’* “Warm Hands, Warm Hearts” program which will provide hats, gloves and earmuffs for more than 200 Soup Kitchen guests. Questions? Contact coordinator Judy Hall at jhall3544@aol.com.

THE GRIEF GROUP: **Wednesdays, 4-5:30 pm: December 3, 10, 17, January 7. Registration is required.** Dealing with loss and grief is challenging. It may help to journey with the support, confidentiality and healing offered in a group. To learn more and to register, please contact Betsy Scott at 212-223-3009. Additional information may be found at stbarts.org/grief-group.

THE 2014 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN AT ST. BART’S

What do you mean when you say, “make a pledge”?
A pledge is a written declaration of intention to donate a specific amount of money over a certain length of time. When making a pledge to the 2014 Stewardship Campaign you are making a pledge for the current year with the intention of paying your pledge in full by December 31, 2014.

What will my pledge support?
The Stewardship Campaign accounts for over 60% of the current year’s operating budget (the remaining 40% comes from the renting of our space and income from the preschool, the athletic facilities, the bookstore, etc.). Therefore, your Stewardship Campaign pledge supports a little bit of everything—be it the maintenance of our landmark building, Children Youth and Families programming, or Community Ministries.

What if I can’t remember if I pledged or not this year?
Please visit the Stewardship table in the back of the church where our Stewardship Manager, Hadley Rolf, is waiting with a list of all 2014 pledgers.

How do I make a pledge?
You can make a pledge in one of three easy ways:
1. By filling out a pledge card
(Available at the Stewardship Table in the back of the church.)
2. By visiting <https://stbarts.isecuresites.com/product/DONATIONS>
3. By e-mailing Hadley Rolf at rolf@stbarts.org

Did I hear something about a new online giving portal?
Yes! We are thrilled to announce that we have transitioned from our former (and somewhat cumbersome) online giving platform to one that promises a seamless user experience. Please go see for yourself at <https://stbarts.iscurities.com/product/DONATIONS>.

Additional questions?
Contact Hadley Rolf at rolf@stbarts.org
or Esslie Hughes at hughes@stbarts.org.

SAYING GOODBYE—a service of Remembrance, organized by *The Mariposa Trust*. **Saturday, December 6 at 2 pm.** The service is designed for anyone who has lost a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth or in infancy, whether recently or 80-years ago. Originating in the UK, this service will be the first Saying Goodbye service in North America. All are welcome regardless of faith. More information can be found at sayinggoodbye.org.

THE BOOKSTORE @ ST. BART’S is offering special books for children and adults to take you through the Advent and Christmas season. We’re also offering several styles of Advent calendars—please visit our Store in the Narthex (lobby) of the Church, or call 212-378-0295. We are now accepting phone orders for Christmas.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT ST. BART’S

Mark your calendars and join us! Sunday and weekday services as usual, plus these special events (details at stbarts.org):

- **Advent begins Sunday, November 30:** 10 am Advent wreath-making for all ages, 5 pm Advent Lessons and Carols, with festive reception, 6 pm Eucharist
- **Advent Quiet Day:** Saturday, December 6, 10 am - 2:30 pm
- **Cleaning and Greening of the Church:** Sunday, December 14, 8 am – 11 am
- **Midtown Carol Sing-Along:** Monday, December 15 at 5:30 pm
- **A Joyous Christmas Concert:** Tuesday, December 16 at 7:30 pm
- **Adoration of the Magi Concert:** Friday, December 19 at 7:30 pm
- **Christmas Eve, December 24:** 12 pm A Quiet Christmas (Eucharist) 4 pm Christmas Pageant and Family Eucharist, 7 pm Festival Eucharist 11 pm Festival Eucharist (with incense)
- **Christmas Day, December 25:** 11 am Choral Eucharist
- **New Year’s Eve Organ Concert:** Wednesday, December 31 at 11 pm