# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8: THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Appointed readings: Isaiah 40:21-31; Mark 1:29-39

#### 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 and offer Richard Shephard's "The secret of Christ."

#### 10 am Sunday School [Chapel]

Joseph's Dreams: We return to the Hebrew scriptures for some of the foundational stories of our faith, using LEGO bricks as we engage the Bible.

#### 10 am Youth @ the Center [Vestry Room]

# 10 am "The Salon"—A Space for Fellowship [Great Terrace]

#### 10:05 am The Forum [Great Hall, Community House]

St. Bart's at the Oscars: the Sequel. Join Buddy and Matthew for another lively discussion about nominees for Best Picture: "Birdman" (set in our neighborhood!) and "American Sniper." We encourage you to view the movies ahead of time. Spoiler alert: all shall be revealed!

#### 11 am Choral Eucharist [Church]

Sermon: The Rev. F. M. "Buddy" Stallings St. Bartholomew's Choir sings music of Shephard and Trafka. St. Bartholomew's Boy and Girl Choristers sing Camille Saint-Saëns' "Ave Maria."

#### 12:30 pm EXPLORE Class [Vestry Room]

5 pm A Community Eucharist [Chapel]

An informal and intimate service, celebrated in our beautiful Chapel. Sermon: The Rev. F. M. "Buddy" Stallings

\* 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.

# WEEKDAY SERVICES

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

## **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.

# **CONTACT US**

#### St. Bart's Central • 212-378-0222 • central@stbarts.org 325 Park Avenue at 51st Street, New York, NY, 10022

#### Vestry of St. Bartholomew's Church

Peter M. R. Kendall and Anne Adams Rabbino, Wardens. 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 Wardens: Fletcher Hodges III, Anthony P. Marshall, and Percy Preston, Jr.

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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 guestions. Boring sermons, bad music and general cluelessness. (So, God help us, because we don't always avoid these!)

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.



# THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

**FEBRUARY 1, 2015** 



# We hope you find yours here.

re is a place that is ancient and new, a faith that we hold ng back to Jesus, back to his spiritual ancestors, back to those no walked the earth and found holy ground. And what we do often based on really ancient patterns—worship and music; ing service to the poor, the hurting, the lonely; working for tice and peace; lively, fearless education and formation of nds and souls. And that faith is also completely contemporary, gaged 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

# WHAT WE VALUE

# WELCOME!

# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1: THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Readings from Year B, the Revised Common Lectionary Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Mark 1:21-28

# 8 am Rite I Eucharist [Chapel]

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## 9 am Eucharist [Church]

Sermon: The Rev. F. M. "Buddy" Stallings St. Bart's Singers lead our songs of praise and offer Alan Ridout's "Let us with a gladsome mind."

#### 10 am Sunday School [Chapel]

Jacob and the Angel: We return to the Hebrew scriptures for some of the foundational stories of our faith, using LEGO bricks as we engage the Bible.

#### 10 am Youth @ the Center [Vestry Room]

# 10:05 am Annual Parish Meeting [Church]

Elections will be held for Warden and for Members of the Vestry. All are encouraged to attend.

# 11 am Choral Eucharist [Church]

Sermon: The Rev. F. M. "Buddy" Stallings St. Bartholomew's Choir sings Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy's "Die Deutsche

Liturgie." St. Bartholomew's Boy and Girl Choristers sing Costantini's "Confitemini Domino."

#### 12:30 pm EXPLORE Class [Vestry Room]

Why is "liturgy" so important to Episcopalians? What do Episcopalians actually believe? How do we engage with our community and the world?

# 5 pm A Community Eucharist [Chapel]

An informal and intimate service, celebrated in our beautiful Chapel. Sermon: The Rev. F. M. "Buddy" Stallings

#### ..... ABOUT TODAY'S LITURGY AND MUSIC

This morning at 11 am, we will offer the choral music of Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847) and recognize the profound influence these works had on choral music for over a century after his death.

When Mendelssohn composed his *Die Deutsche Liturgie* (The German Liturgy) in 1846, there was much controversy regarding the style of music appropriate for divine worship. The concerted style of Bach and the more operatic style of Haydn and Mozart were deemed unsuitable and excessive for 19th century liturgies in both Catholic and Protestant churches. A reactionary style resulted, with composers writing works in the ancient 16th century unaccompanied polyphonic style.

When Mendelssohn was appointed Music Director of the Cathedral (Protestant) in Berlin, he received a commission from its patron, King Friedrich Wilhelm IV, to compose a setting of the German liturgy for the choir. What resulted were ten choral works, both responses and extended movements from the Ordinary. Today, we will hear the largest movements from that work—the Gloria and Sanctus. These works are unaccompanied and written in a manner which prayerfully complements the liturgy, but are products of German Romanticism with lush choral writing in eight parts. <u>.</u>.....

**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.
- ATTEND OUR EXPLORE CLASS SERIES, Sundays at 12:30 pm. Details below.
- 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 green 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**

**EXPLORE** New to St. Bart's or the Episcopal Church? Thinking of joining? Been here a while but looking at life and faith in new ways? Join Buddy and Lynn in our Winter series of EXPLORE classes continuing TODAY at 12:30 pm in the Vestry Room. For more information, please inquire at the Welcome Table or visit stbarts.org/explore.

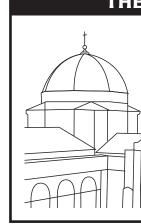
FREE WEEKLY CONCERTS OF EARLY MUSIC are offered every Thursday at 1:15 pm in the Chapel through June. These concerts are provided free of charge by the Gotham Early Music Scene (GEMS) in conjunction with The Mid-Manhattan Performing Arts Foundation (MMPAF). A schedule can be found at gemsny.org/ midtownconcerts.html.

**DREAM GROUP:** Take your dreaming to another level! Find nourishment for your spiritual life in your own nightly dreams. Join us to learn more, Wednesdays, 6:30 pm to 8:15 pm, February 4, 11, and March 4 and 11, in the Welcome Center. Group led by Annette Thies, MA, spiritual director and dream coach. Even without a dream you are welcome. Please bring pen and pad.

ST. BART'S PLAYERS PRESENTS: "Broadway Broads: The Madcap Madams of Musical Comedy." February 6 at 7:30 pm and February 7 at 2:30 pm and 7:30 pm in the St. Bart's Community House, room 33. \$15 Donation at the door.

AUDITIONS FOR THE ST. BART'S PLAYERS spring production of "Urinetown, the Musical" will be held February 22 and 23. For more information, email info@stbartsplayers.org.

**MONEY MADE SIMPLE:** Free personal finance seminars—designed for new grads, recent widows, prospective retirees, and those struggling with debt. Topics include: financial goal setting and budgeting, credit and debt management, banking services, basic retirement planning, taxes, and intro to estate planning. Conducted by Anthea Perkinson, Certified Financial Planner<sup>™</sup> and Chair of the Pro Bono Committee of the Financial Planning Association of New York (FPANY). Four Mondays at St. Bart's, starting March 2, from 6-8:30 pm, beginning with complimentary light refreshments. Limited to 20 on a first-register, first-serve basis. Info: susangferris@ gmail.com or 917-576-7621. A joint offering of St. Bart's and the FPANY.



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# **THE 2014 CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

**Our Continuing Capital Campaign:** St. Bart's commenced a highly-directed capital campaign to raise \$6 million in 2014. We are halfway through the campaign, and have raised more than \$4 million of our goal. In 2014 we were able to finish half of our necessary roof work, and repair the 50th and 51st Street sidewalks. We will soon be able to resume repair of our Park Avenue sidewalks, all thanks to the generosity of donors. Our largest project is the renovation of our iconic dome, which is in dire need of repair.

We hope you can join other donors if you have not given. Visit stbarts.org/giving/2014-capital-campaign for more information.

# MMPAF PRESENTS: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF BACH-A TOUR TO

GERMANY. May 13 - 22. Join Director of Music and Organist, William K. Trafka, and St. Bart's parishioner William Fulton, in a tour of the German cities and churches where Bach lived and worked as a church musician. Deadline for reservations: Monday, February 2. More information at mmpaf.org.

#### WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ART AND ARCHITECTURE OF

ST. BART'S? We are in need of docents to do the Sunday tours of St. Bart's. We are especially in need of docents who can do the weekday tours for adults and schoolchildren. This tour lasts about one hour. Five hours of training required. Please contact St. Bart's Central for details: central@stbarts.org,

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

FEBRUARY 13: MMPAF's Great Music concerts presents organist Jason Roberts accompanying the silent film "Steamboat Bill, Jr.", 7:30 pm. For more information or to buy tickets, please visit mmpaf.org.

#### FEBRUARY 18: Ash Wenesday—Lent begins

MARCH 1: "What We Can Affirm and What Must Change"—An adult discourse on religion, and preparation for Confirmation with Buddy Stallings, four Sundays in Lent, 12:30 pm. Details online at stbarts.org/ confirmation-classes

• MARCH 18: Grief Group begins, Wednesdays at 4 pm.

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• MARCH 29: Palm Sunday—Holy Week begins

• APRIL 5: Easter Day

• APRIL 12: Confirmations, Receptions and Reaffirmations with the Rt. Rev. Andrew M. L. Dietsche, Bishop of New York. Details at stbarts.org/

