Prayer, Participation, and Generosity Christmas and End-of-Year Giving



In response to phone calls and emails we have received about end-of-year giving to St. Bartholomew Church and School, we are providing some important information to assist you, our generous and faithful parishioners. We hope this communication answers your questions and inspires you to support your parish community as we celebrate the coming of the Christ Child into our world.



Making Your Christmas Gift to St. Bartholomew

In past years, St. Bartholomew parishioners have generously supported the parish financially at Christmastime, helping us meet a significant portion of our annual budget. We know that many of you will not be physically present in our church building this Christmas when you might have otherwise put your gift in the collection basket. We offer you the following methods to safely and easily make your gift:

- Point your smartphone camera at the QR code and you will be directed to a secure donation form.
- Go to www.st-barts.org/giving and make a secure electronic donation.
- Mail a check, payable to St. Bartholomew Church, to the church office.
- If you attend Mass in-person on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, place your donation in the basket at the church doors as you exit.



Thank you for your generosity!

Help Us Secure Matching Gifts from Minnesota Companies

If you have given or plan to give to St. Bartholomew Church and School this year, your company may match all or part of your gift. We invite you to help us extend the reach of your generosity by contacting the matching gift program representative at your company. Most companies require you to complete a form and provide proof of your gift. Please see the list of more than 300 Minnesota companies with Matching Gift Programs inside this brochure and contact your representative before the end of the calendar year. If you have questions or need gift documentation, contact Jeannie Judge (jjudge@st-barts.org).

CARES Act: Tax and Giving Information

In March, Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to provide assistance to individuals and small businesses during the pandemic. This legislation allows for a new tax deduction. Individuals who take the standard deduction can claim cash donations up to \$300 per taxpayer (\$600 for a married couple) in annual charitable contributions. (Note: A contribution to a donor advised fund does not qualify for this new deduction.) In addition, individuals and corporations that do itemize can deduct much higher amounts of their contributions.

We encourage you to discuss this with your tax preparer as you plan your year-end charitable giving. This new legislation offers a great opportunity for you, as a taxpayer, to support others and receive greater tax breaks. But remember, this legislation can only help if you donate!





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Gelebrating Advent and Christmas

Join us Virtually for the 23rd Annual A Festival of Lessons and Carols Friday, December 18



The pandemic won't stop this strong St. Bartholomew Church tradition. This year's *A Festival of Lessons and Carols* virtual experience includes choral pieces sung by the choir (practicing safe social distancing, of course) and features highlights from previous services and recordings. Enjoy readings from scripture, poetry, sacred reflections, and a few surprises!

Consider watching this on a Zoom call with other parishioners, family, and friends. Just because we need to distance doesn't mean we can't celebrate together virtually.

A Festival of Lessons and Carols will be available for viewing on our website (www.st-barts.org) by Friday, December 18 at 7:00 p.m.

For additional information about Advent and Christmas liturgies, programs, and resources, go to www.st-barts.org.

Christmas Mass Schedule and Guidelines



Online Christmas Liturgy

St. Bartholomew's videotaped Christmas Mass will be available on the parish website on Christmas Eve at 3:00 p.m. and anytime thereafter. We recommend this **safe and prayerful option** for those 65 and older or for anyone with an underlying health condition. The obligation to attend Mass in person on Sundays and Holy Days remains dispensed by the Archbishop.

In-Person Christmas Liturgies – Advance Reservations Required

Christmas Eve Masses: 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, and 10:00 p.m. Christmas Day Masses: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

- Each liturgy is limited to 150 people.
- Masks are required. No exceptions.
- Reservations must be made in advance.
 No walk-ups will be allowed.
- Reservations will open on Monday, December 7, at
 9:00 a.m. and can be made on our website www.st-barts.org
 or by calling the parish office at 952-473-6601.
- Reservations will be first come, first serve, and will remain open until the 150 capacity has filled. Reservations close on Wednesday, December 23, at 12:00 noon.

Please see our website (www.st-barts.org) for additional details about Mass reservations and attendance.

