

ST. BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH

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The Rectory Office is open

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-12:00 noon; 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

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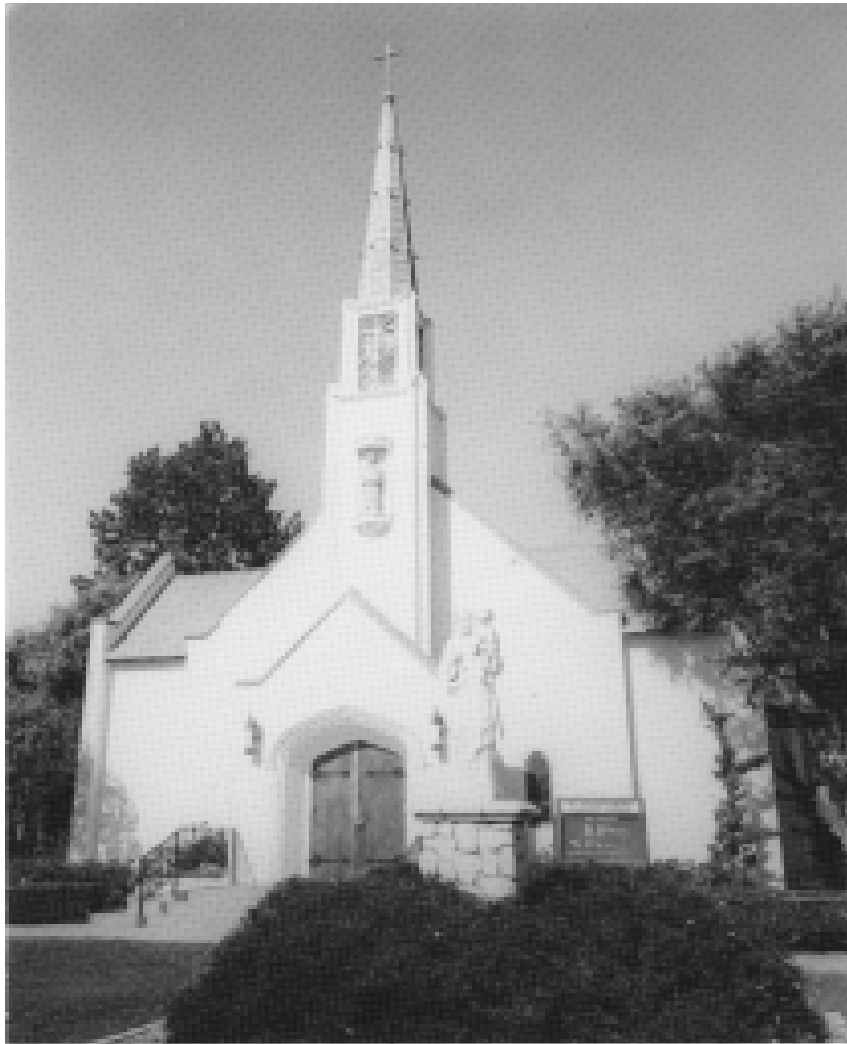
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MASSES:

Saturdays: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sundays: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am; 12:30 pm

Eves of Holy Days: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Holy Days: 8:00 am; 12:15 pm, 7:00 pm

Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION: **Saturdays:** 3:45 to 4:45 pm. **First Fridays:** Before the 8:00 am Mass.

BAPTISMS: 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, by Appointment, through Rectory.

WEDDINGS: By Appointment at least 6 months in advance, through the Rectory..

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

VISIT OUR PARISH WEB SITE
 PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
 SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 4545 E. 4th St. (Monday & Wednesday)
 CONFIRMATION COORDINATOR
 RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)
 RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY
 LEGION OF MARY
 MEN'S CLUB
 PARISH MUSIC DIRECTOR AND ORGANIST
 LECTOR /EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER COORDINATORS
 COMMUNITY GROUP
 ALTAR SERVERS
 CENTERING PRAYER (Christian Meditation)
 YOUTH BIBLE STUDY
 CHILDREN'S CHOIR
 CONTEMPORARY CHOIR

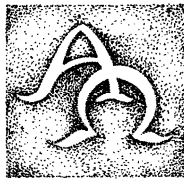
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NOTE: All announcements for the Bulletin must be submitted to the Rectory Office by Monday at 2:00 pm. The deadline for Pulpit Announcements is Friday evening. **DO NOT** come to the Sacristy before Mass to request an announcement.

WORTHY WITNESSES

It may seem odd that, so soon after celebrating Jesus' glorious ascension into heaven, we hear the gruesome tale of Stephen's martyrdom. But even in our most celebratory times, Christianity is a faith that always recalls the difficulties of living the will of God in the world. That is why the Church places Stephen's feast day, December 26, immediately after our celebration of the birth of Christ. In the rhythm of today's readings, the account of Stephen's martyrdom is a reminder that, with Christ ascended into heaven, the mission of giving witness to him—including his suffering and death—falls to those who have been baptized into the Holy Spirit and bear his name. In his final moment, Stephen shows himself a true namesake of Jesus, as he echoes the words of forgiveness spoken from the cross. The prayer we hear Jesus offer in today's Gospel was also a prayer for Stephen, who came to believe in Jesus through the word of the apostles. No matter what fate life holds for us, we always have this consolation of our Easter faith: Christ has prayed to the Father on our behalf. Let us, like Stephen, be worthy witnesses to our name "Christian."

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ALTAR SERVERS

May 22 5:00 Feldman/Huntley
May 23 8:00 Crowley/Farmer
 9:30 Scolamieri/Bigham/Rhodes
 11:00 Parker/Paz/Torre
 12:30 Sweeney/Ramos/Bohn/McInerney

LECTORS—EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

May 22 5:00 Boessow/Stutz—Team 4
May 23 8:00 Dominguez/Mehler—Team 4
 9:30 Bodner/Griffith—Team 2
 11:00 VanDijks/Villa-McDowell—Team 2
 12:30 Boessow/Armstrong—Team 4

CHILDREN/YOUTH CHOIR

Rehearsals, every Thursday, 6:30pm, in the Social Hall (middle and high school ages also welcome). For information, call: Julie (562)243-1286.

CENTERING PRAYER

A prayer of consent to the presence and action of God within us, prayed in God's first language—SILENCE—every 2nd and 4th Monday, in the Church at 7:00pm. For information: Pat (562)243-8460; Melissa (562)434-1998.

HEALING MASS

St. Cornelius Church (5500 E. Wardlow in Long Beach), Monday, May 24th, 7:30pm, Fr. Joshua Lee officiating.



THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Xavier Dybbro, Sarah Fries, Harry Fehner, Nathan Laherty, Mark Lott, Clark Boyd, John Coppens, Stefania Chadsey, Marilyn Omby, Dorthine Maloney, Patty Sova, Betty Suttie, Laurie Manzo, Pamela Ford, and Patrick Farrell.



**Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 16, 2010**

"I am the Alpha and the Omega,
the first and the last,
the beginning and the end."

-Revelation 22:13

PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FUND COLLECTION

This weekend, May 15/16

There are currently 153 Archdiocesan priests who are retired. During the next 10 years, an additional 207 priests, actively serving in the Archdiocese today, will turn 65 or be newly retired. Many of the retired priests are well known in the parishes. Many have stayed very active in the parish where they retired, or for other parish communities. The necessary increases for retired men make it essential that the annual collection reaches \$1,000,000 (retired priests receive very little from Social Security). **Thank you for your full and generous support for this collection. Envelopes are in the pews.**

BIRTH CHOICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Birth Choice is a non-profit, pro-life organization on the front lines of the right-to-life movement reaching out to young women and men facing unplanned pregnancies and decisions regarding their sexual health. Volunteers are needed to counsel clients, run parenting classes, and serve as male mentors for the "Dad's Project" program. As a licensed community care clinic, registered nurses, nurse practitioners, RDMS-certified sonographers and medical doctors are also needed. Training is a 3-week intensive course beginning May 25th. Please contact Jennifer Borba (562)290-0212, or: jen@birthchoiceclinic.org

GIFT SHOP

St. Cyprian's Church (4714 Clarke Avenue) invites you to visit its Gift Shop. Included in their inventory is a nice selection of First Communion and Confirmations gifts, along with many beautiful gifts of faith—both traditional and contemporary.

COLLECTIONS

Ordinary Income: May 8/9 \$13,562.00

YEAR OF THE PRIEST

Please join us this Sunday in the Social Hall after all Masses to honor our parish priests. There will be special refreshments and a time of fellowship with our priests. A rendering of the parish gift will be on display.

ANNUAL BOOK SALE

**Saturday, May 22nd
1-4:30pm**

**Sunday, May 23rd
8:00am—2:00pm**

**Hard Backs—\$1.00
Paperbacks—\$.25 each
(or 5 for \$1.00)**

Help is needed— **this Wednesday, May 19th**, beginning at 10:00am in the Social Hall. To volunteer to help, or for any ?'s, please call:

Pat Fine (562)433-2809

This Sunday, May 16, is the last day to donate books.

BANNS of MARRIAGE

3rd Dan O'Dell and Alli Dillon
Brett Johnston and Jill Young
Dieter Hertzog and Laura Smith

NEW LIFE BEGINNINGS

Benefit Dinner and Auction Gala—Thursday, May 27, 5:30-9:00pm, Long Beach Hyatt Regency. Please call: 562-590-1538; or nlbcreichert@aol.com

ANNUAL RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, June 6th, 8am-2pm in the Parish Hall. Signup in the Social Hall or call the Rectory (562-438-3826).