St. Bartholomew’s Church, Old Forge  
St. Anthony’s Church, Inlet and Raquette Lake

October 2 – October 10, 2021

**Mass Schedule**

**SATURDAY**  Oct 2  @ 4:00 PM (OF)  For Virginia Smaka rb Ron & Marie Smaka  
@ 5:30 PM (INLET)  For the People of Our Parishes

**SUNDAY**  Oct 3  @ 8:00 AM (INLET)  For Marion Helmer rb Sharon Daviau  
@ 10:00 AM (OF)  For George Villiere rb The Knights of Columbus

**MONDAY**  Oct 4  NO MASS SCHEDULED

**TUESDAY**  Oct 5  NO MASS SCHEDULED

**WEDNESDAY**  Oct 6  @ 10:00 AM (INLET)  For Uncle Vincent Pezzimenti rb The Szymanski Family

**THURSDAY**  Oct 7  @ 12:05 PM (OF)  For Bill Popp rb John, Cathleen, and Mary Beth

**FRIDAY**  Oct 8  @ 10:00 AM (INLET)  For Dorothy and Dennis Glew’s 51st Wedding Anniversary  
rb Mary Ellen and Michael Guerra

**SATURDAY**  Oct 9  @ 4:00 PM (OF)  For Eugene Burney rb John and Kathy Gardner  
@ 5:30 PM (INLET)  For the People of Our Parishes

**SUNDAY**  Oct 10  @ 8:00 AM (INLET)  For Margaret Daviau rb Sharon Daviau  
@ 10:00 AM (OF)  For George Hiltebrant rb The Family

**Reflect this week:** The love of Almighty God for children remains profound, unfathomable. Witness Jesus’ testimony in our Gospel: “Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” What an enormous promise! The love of the Lord for his little ones should inspire a similar Christian love in our hearts. It also gives impetus for our continuous efforts to help safeguard the welfare and integrity of every child in every circumstance.

**Ponder THE EUCHARIST:** “The worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass is of inestimable value as it is strictly linked to the celebration of the Eucharistic sacrifice. It is pleasant to spend time with Him, to lie close to His breast like the Beloved Disciple, and to feel the infinite love present in His heart.” (St. John Paul II)

**Faith Formation:** We are embarking upon a new year of forming our youth in our precious faith. Our introductory session went well last Tuesday. Today (Sunday) parents of our students will gather in the Old Forge Parish Hall with Fr. Murphy and Alesia Olney after the 10 am Mass. Those in our Confirmation and First Holy Communion classes will meet then with their catechists (Patty Foley and Debbie Booton-McCoy). New children and families are always welcome. Contact Alesia Olney at dre.stbartholomews@frontier.com or Fr. Murphy at the parish for information. Please pray for us all.

**Send a card to a friend:** Brother Ed would love to hear from you, and will be encouraged by the support of us all: 

Brother Ed Bick  
c/o Linkiewicz  
312 Washington Drive  
New Hartford, NY 13413

**Knights of Columbus:** A Mass is scheduled for our deceased members on Sunday, October 17th at 10:00am at St. Bartholomew’s Church. This will be followed by a Degree Exemplification and a reception/meeting at the Old Forge American Legion. All Knights and visiting Knights are urged to attend. Contact Deputy Grand Knight Bob Stanton with any questions at 315 357-5243.

**Bishop’s Fund Appeal:**

The formal drive for our Bishop’s Fund Appeal has ended. Donations are still welcome. Parishioners often wait to make their contribution at the best time for them. Last year we had 51 donors from St. Bartholomew’s and 48 from Inlet. Our parishes’ goal this year is to improve participation so that more individuals and families contribute. Have you made your contribution yet to help us reach our goal? Envelopes are available at the church entrances. You can also make a secure donation online by going to the diocesan website www.rcdony.org and following links to the Bishop’s Fund Appeal organized by the Development Office.
PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS: SALUTATION OF THE BLESSED MOTHER

Hail, O Lady, Mary, holy Mother of God: you are the Virgin made Church and the one chosen by the most holy Father in heaven whom He consecrated with His most holy beloved Son and with the Holy Spirit the Paraclete, in whom there was and is the fullness of grace and every good. Hail His Palace! Hail His Tabernacle! Hail His Home! Hail His Robe! Hail His Servant! Hail His Mother! And (hail) all you holy virtues which through the grace and Light of the Holy Spirit are poured into the hearts of the faithful so that from their faithless state you may make them faithful to God. AMEN!

The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7): According to a tradition of Dominican religious, in 1206 St. Dominic was in France, attempting to convert a separated sect back to the unity of faith in the Church. The young priest had little success until one day he received a vision of the Blessed Virgin, who gave him the rosary as a tool against heretics. Mary’s giving the rosary to St. Dominic is generally considered a legend. However, the power of this great prayer is indisputable. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary was declared by Pope Pius V to commemorate the decisive victory of the combined fleet of the Holy League over the Ottoman navy at the Battle of Lepanto (1571). Many other Christian victories have been attributed to this prayer. Countless Catholics will speak quickly about the closeness to God and the Mother of the Lord they have experienced and the personal favors they have received through this rich devotion. Pray the rosary on the Feast, this Thursday. Pray it often. The grace you receive will be enormous.

Summer Raffle Tickets are all sold! The grand prize drawing on 10 October is almost here.

Covid Precautions: Bishop LaValley has recently published a new diocesan statement of Covid Protocols, gleaned from common public health guidelines applied to our circumstances as Catholic churches. No immediate changes in practice are anticipated here. The guidelines are posted on bulletin boards in both churches for your information.

Our Financial Stewardship:

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Reminders:

Pray the Rosary: Join us Tuesday mornings at 7:30, before the 8:00 am Mass, as we pray for Mary’s intercession for us.

The Community Food Pantry at St. Bartholomew’s will be open 4-6 pm on October 5 and 7. The pantry is well supplied. Stop by when we are open or phone for an appointment. In an emergency we will gladly help anyone at any time.

PARISH INFORMATION

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Deacon: Dcn. Timothy Foley
Organist and Parish Music Director: Brother Ed Bick, TOPSF
Parish Office Manager: Ann Nathan

Faith Formation Director: Alesia Olney