

Weekly Services & Groups



Family Eucharist *NB: new service time* Sundays 9.30am – 10.30am

A joyful music-filled service, combining traditional and modern worship – all denominations and spiritual seekers are welcome



Taizé Service Tuesdays 7pm – 7.30pm

30 minutes of prayerful music & silence in the tranquil candlelit setting of the Church, with chants based on the Taizé Community in France



Meditation Group Wednesdays 7pm – 8pm

A meditation group in English & French, focusing on inner peace and serenity – newcomers welcome and no prior experience necessary



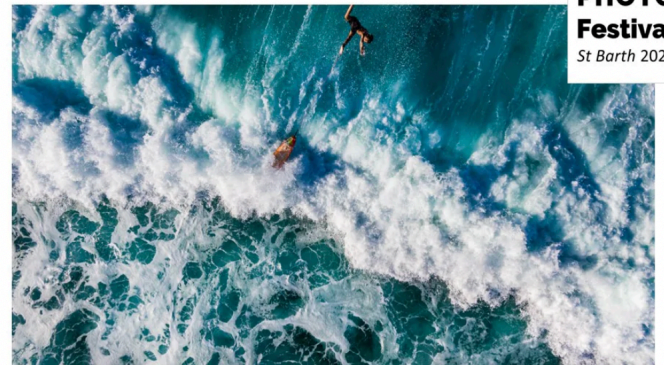
St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

Christ the King Sunday 26th November 2023

Dear Friends,

Christmas is just around the corner and as we start a new Church Year we wanted to update our friends and parishioners based all around the world on the Church's activities over the past twelve months – see overleaf.

It is also the time our Annual Fundraising – a very important part of the Church's calendar. We are immensely grateful to everybody in our Church family who is able to contribute – either by sending a check to The Friends or making a donation online – without you we would not be in a position to offer our unique island ministry, music and outreach nor be able to keep our Church and buildings in a good state of repair.



**PHOTO
Festival**
St Barth 2023

One of the entries in this year's St Barts Photographic Festival

We would like to ask you to consider making a monthly donation via the QR link on the back page – you can do this by using your credit card and it would mean a lot to us to increase the number of you who contribute on a regular basis.

With blessings,
Father Charlie & Philip

AA Meetings:

Open Meetings in English take place in the Church Centre (to the left of the Church):

Monday: 8.30-9.30am
Tuesday: 6.30-7.30pm
Wednesday: 8.30-9.30am
Friday: 6.30-7.30pm

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Vestry: The Wardens, Chip Akridge, Alex Harbord, Clarion Romney, Marjorie Romney, Philip Trangmar & Lloyd Younger

Music Director: Ombeline Collin

Sunday Pianist: Michael Parisot

Guest Musician: Stella

We need your support ... How to Give

We are an entirely self-funded Church and we are therefore dependent on the generosity and regular giving of our congregation – residents and long-term or short-term visitors.

There are 3 ways to donate:

(a) send a check to The Friends: see address below; (b) online via the Church website: see the QR on the back page; or (c) directly to the Church: please contact Philip Trangmar for details.

Methods 1 and 2 are donations to the Friends, our US 501(3)c, which are tax efficient for US citizens.

Friends of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

Address: 106 W River Rd, Rumson, New Jersey 07760

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First Letter to Ephesians – Chap 1

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers.

I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Gospel according to Matthew – Chap 25

Jesus said to his disciples:

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

"Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.'

"Then the righteous will answer him,

'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?'

"And the king will answer them,

'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

"Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels;

"For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'

"Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?'

"Then he will answer them,

'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Processional: Here I am Lord #235

Gradual: The Servant King #148

Communion: Break Bread #299, Peace, Perfect Peace #414

Recessional: Jubilate Everybody #284

Annual Newsletter

While the world was still recovering from the economic disruption of Covid, we had last year the Russian invasion of Ukraine which sadly, despite the vast majority of the world wanting and praying for peace and withdrawal of Russian forces, still continues. Then just a few weeks ago we all saw, in far too graphic a detail, the atrocities inflicted on the Israeli people by the terrorist organisation Hamas, which has resulted in another war in the Middle East – which the horrendous loss of lives on both sides. We as relative bystanders have to keep faith in the eventual cessation of these conflicts – as we pray together for peace and for the Holy Spirit to reach out and touch all those who have influence over the peace-making process.

As you know, over the past few years the Church initiated this weekly newsletter which now goes out to over 350 readers; concurrently we began offering a weekly online Sunday service via YouTube and our Taize service, which have between 30-50 families participating.

Father Charlie has actively returned to participation in the church as our Honorary Resident Priest which enables the Church to offer a continuity of local ministry. Our Visiting Priests who kindly offer their preaching and ministry to us, overseen by Father Stephen Huber, continue to receive rave reviews.

We are pleased by the increase in the number of people enjoying the services of our Church this year; over 3,000 attended both our in-person and online services. We had fourteen weddings or renewals of vows and eight baptisms welcoming new members into the Christian family. We also held two funerals/memorial services.

The music program, started by our esteemed, former music director, Charles Darden, continues with guest musicians on Sundays, as well as over 10 concerts in the Church this year, including performances by the island's music schools, international & local musicians, as well as two members of Il Divo, the international operatic singing group.

Our grounds and buildings remain in good condition and we are continuing to maintain timely maintenance on all our facilities. The Eastman House for visiting priests is being refurbished and the Brook Lacour Gardens remain a quiet and beautiful repose for the guests and residents of the island, a peaceful and serene setting in the bussle of Gustavia, and an excellent place for special events, including our Easter Cocktail party and the annual Blessing of the Fleet Bucket reception.

As you know, we are an entirely volunteer based church and completely self-funding. Our US affiliated charity, Friends of St Bartholomew's Anglican Church, is the financial adviser and custodian of our Church finances and it offers an efficient method of donating for US citizens.