



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPPEALEAU



ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



Sunday Bulletin

July 26, 2020 Year A

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My sisters and brothers in the Lord,
The Kingdom of Heaven +

Today the Gospel of Matthew gives us a small understanding about the Kingdom of Heaven. Most of us today don't think in terms of kingdoms, but we could rephrase the Kingdom of Heaven as all who belong the Lord. It is we who form one people, one grouping, one body in Christ. Individualism has dominated so much of our thinking, yet our Scriptures are clear: we go to the Father as a people, as a Eucharistic Community of believers, not just as individuals.

Our first reading today is from the First Book of Kings. In this passage, King Solomon asks for wisdom in order to be able to guide the people of his kingdom. The surprise is that King Solomon does not ask for strength, nor for riches, nor for a good life for himself, nor for triumph over his enemies. King Solomon seeks wisdom to serve the people. What do we seek in life? What do I seek in life personally? These are natural questions after hearing about King Solomon. What do I want in life: Money? Power? Control over others? Relationships? Triumph over my enemies? The Kingdom of God is like a wonderful gift of love for all others and should overcome in us all the desire to have things just for myself or for my loved ones. Rather, the Kingdom of Heaven pushes me to want to good of the other person and the good of all. This is Called the "Common Good" of all people.

The second reading today is from the Letter to the Romans. In this letter, we discover that "all things work for good for those who love God." When we begin to live in God, our way of seeing the world and what happens to us and to others in a new way. Always we trust that what happens is in the hands of God. We don't understand His ways but we understand that He loves us. God wants to conform us to the image of His Son, Jesus Christ. God will conform us to the image of His Son, Jesus Christ. This is God's work. Our work is simply to accept God's work within us and to allow God to work through us. This brings us back to the Gospel today, from Saint Matthew. God brings about His Kingdom and God will take out of His Kingdom all that does not belong to His Kingdom. You and I must be purified of all that is in us and which is against the Kingdom. We should not fear this purification. Rather we should recognize that purification is necessary so that we can be with God completely and always.

Let us pray for the purification! Once we see the immense value and joy of the Kingdom, it is all we shall want.

Your brother in the Lord,
Deacon Russ

Intentions July 27– August 2

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew

Monica Knepper Funeral

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew

+ Danette Hammer

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew

+ Paula Isenberg

Friday: 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew

+ Lenny Kaszolka

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. St. Mary

+ Louie Jessesky

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. St. Bartholomew

+ Don Woestman

The Mass will be live streamed on Father's Facebook every day of the week. On Monday and Tuesday when it works for Father. At 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m. To reach Father's Facebook search Antony Micheal Joseph or gangaivjantony@yahoo.co.in in your facebook. If you can't reach this facebook call Father Antony at 6088811401.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Ellen Karow, Bruce Reedy, Sheryl Reedy

Lector: Theresa Haines

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

ST. BARTHOLOMEW- 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: George Richtman, Kris Krett, John Giemza

Lector: Kirk Shimek

Church Envelopes can be mailed to St. Bartholomew Parish, 11646 South St. Trempealeau, WI 54661 for both St. Mary's and St. Bartholomew's parishioners. Or St. Bartholomew Church will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for personal prayer. You can come and prayer and leave your envelope in the basket. Thank you for all the donations we have received.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

	<u>SBT</u>	<u>SMG</u>
Envelopes	\$1,920.00	\$ 990.00
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Smile:

A Sunday school teacher asked her children, as they where on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- ♦ The PCCW is happy to announce our new co-presidents Mary Leavitt and Kay Richtman, vice-president Judy Heinz, secretary Jane Wernecke, Service Commission Chair MaryKay Plunger and Leadership Commission Chair Carol Krett. We want to thank our treasurer Darlene Schlessner and Spirituality Chair Marlene James for continuing in their roles. Thank you all for the ministries you are doing within our parish for the next 2 years and beyond.
- ♦ Mass intentions are getting low and are needed at our parish. Suggested donation for a mass is \$10.00. Please call 608-534-6652 or send in request to the office.
- ♦ Need prayers for any health or anxiety issue - big or small. Contact the prayer chain, Doreen Backler, 608-534-6118 or Ethel Ouellette, 608-534-6520.

ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

OUR MISSION: To love God, love others and go make disciples!

- ♦ **Community Summer Lunch Program:** serving at Cance Park on Wednesdays from 11:30 am– 12:30 pm. Additional foods will be offered to take along home. We are looking for volunteers to help put the meals together on Wednesdays through August 19. Please call Jean Wallner, 608-397-7337, if you are interested in helping.
- ♦ Mass intentions are getting low and are needed at our parish. Suggested donation for a mass is \$10.00. Please call 608-534-6652 or send in request to the office.
- ♦ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or ekarow@hotmail.com.

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ We will be open for people following the guidelines of the Dioceses of La Crosse. There will be a team of Ushers who will be here to help us. Only the main doors will be open. Ushers will seat you in a pew to help with social distancing. At communion the ushers will let the rows go out one by one and only Father will be giving the Eucharist. There will be no collection, but a basket will be at the entrance and you can put your envelope in before or after Mass. The ushers will let the pews out after Mass.
- ♦ The Bishop has highlighted that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays remains dispensed. No one is required, under the pain of mortal sin, to attend Mass until further notice. In fact, at this time he encourage those over 65 and particularly those with underlying health issues to stay home. He ask those parishes that have the ability to livestream the Mass to continue do so for the sake of those who will not be able to attend.
- ♦ Save the Date: August 29th Witnesses for Christ Conference – Virtual The Witnesses for Christ Conference this August will be VIRTUAL! Fr. Timothy Gallagher will present on “Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement.” Learn to find freedom from one of the greatest obstacles in life – the “cage” of everyday discouragement we all experience. This is such a timely topic in light of the current difficult situation. The presentations by Fr. Gallagher will be live-streamed by ZOOM webinar on August 29th. These presentations on overcoming spiritual discouragement will be extremely practical and understandable for any interested adult. Fr. Gallagher's warmth and style of speaking is for people of all states in life and all levels of formation.
- ♦ **Sunday Mass on TV:**
 - La Crosse, Channel 25, at 7:30 a.m. Sunday.
 - Eau Claire, Channel 18, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.
 - La Crosse, Channel 19, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.
 - Marshfield (Public Access), Channel 989, at 10:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Sunday.
 - Stevens Point (Public Access), Channel 984 at Noon and 5:30 p.m. Saturday.
 - Wausau, (Cable and Satellite), Channel 12 at 6:30 a.m. Sunday.

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Karen Becker, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Becker at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safeenvironment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679; or tbrown@diolc.org.

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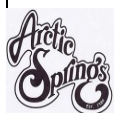
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