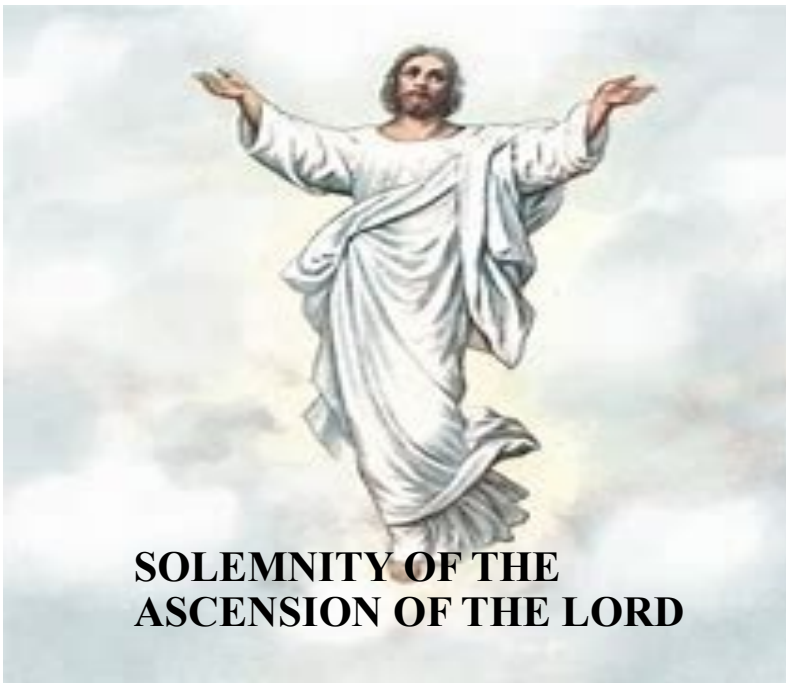




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**SOLEMNITY OF THE
ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

Sunday Bulletin

**May 16, 2021
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Last week, Mrs. Savariammal, Mother of Fr. Roch passed away. There are five priests in the family. But all five priests were not able to attend the mom's funeral. At her dismissal, the whole family felt abandoned by God. At the death of the loved ones, we all feel abandoned by God. Passing away of people brings permanent sadness in the heart. But, Passing away of Jesus was not like this.

The one thing we can say about the Ascension of the Lord, is that the apostles did not feel themselves orphaned at the departure of Jesus. In no way did they consider themselves orphans. For the apostles, the Ascension meant three things:

- 1) It was an ending. One stage was over and another had begun. Formerly Jesus was with them physically. Now his presence is that of a firm faith knowing he is everywhere.
- 2) It was a beginning. They are to take the place of Jesus and continue his work.
- 3) The Ascension gives the disciples the certainty that they had a friend not only on earth but also in heaven.

The Ascension is not a farewell feast; it does not lament the absence of Jesus. Rather it celebrates the new way Christ became present to his people through the gift of his Spirit. For sure, Christ went away from us so that we no longer experience his physical presence, but he is closer to us now than he ever was before. When Jesus was on earth, he was limited like us in space and time. This is no longer true of him. He is, so to speak, out and about. He is present to us in an equally powerful but different manner. We can turn to him in any place, in any situation knowing he is there for us. It is important to realize that the apostles never regretted the departure of Jesus after his Resurrection and Ascension.

We are called to see the Ascension just as the departure of Jesus. We should see it as the sending of the Church on mission (in place of Jesus), rather than seeing the Church as an orphan. As an adult is given a status of responsibility, we are given a greater responsibility at the ascension of the Lord.

Let us join hands to preach the good news of the Lord.

Fr. Antony Joseph

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Intentions May 17— May 23

Monday: (Personal Mass) **St. Bartholomew**

+ Joseph Vedamuthu

Tuesday: **6:00 p.m. St. Mary**

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m

+ Betty Brandtner

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

+ Don Kowalewski

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m

* Phil & Darleen Lunde (Happy Anniversary)

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

+ Bob & Phyllis Lettner

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

+ George Walski

Saturday: **5:30 p.m. St. Bartholomew**

All the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Richard Pampuch

Sunday: **10:30 a.m. St. Mary**

All the People of the Parishes

The Mass will be live streamed on the Facebook named: **MotherMary_Galesville** so search for this facebook. You can also find the link in the groups of both parishes. If you can't reach this facebook call Father Antony at 6088811401.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR May 22

ST. MARY— 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Carmen Rolbiecki, Doreen Emerson

Lector: Theresa Haines

Communion Minister: Volunteer

ST. BARTHOLOMEW—5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Volunteers

Servers: Volunteers

Lector: Greg Goltz

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY May 23

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Joe Plunger, Scott Lamberty

Servers: Reagan Lamberty, Carter Giemza

Lector: Dan Kelleher

Communion Minister: MaryKay Plunger

ST. MARY— 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Sarah Grover, Steve Grover

Lector: Volunteer

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- ♦ The PCCW had their Silent Auction after their meeting on Tuesday night. They decided to donate the proceeds of \$332.50 to St. Mary's window fund.
- ♦ We will be cleaning the Holy Cross Cemetery on Friday, May 21 at 10:30 a.m. or after the Mass.
- ♦ 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!

- ♦ **Congratulations to our children who received First Communion on May 9th:** *Preslee Docken, Avery Scow and Andrew Bishop.*
- ♦ We will be honoring our Graduates on Saturday, May 22 at the 4:00 p.m. Mass.
- ♦ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or ekarow@hotmail.com.

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ Serving the Lord is what we are to do on earth. Our parishes are looking for people to serve in the roles of readers, ushers, communion ministers and servers. Please ponder the service you or your family members can give for an hour on Saturday or Sunday. Call the office, 608-534-6652, to let me know what will work best for you. We do need your help, all ages are welcome to volunteer.
- ♦ Rosary at the Grotto at 6:00 p.m. during the month of May. Only on Saturday nights it will be following the 5:30 p.m. Mass, instead of at 6:00.
- ♦ The Knights of Columbus are the designated presenters for **Rosary at the Grotto - May 18th (Tuesday) at 6:00 pm.** So bring your wife, your children or a friend. There's room for all.
- ♦ **The Knights of Columbus thank you** all for your generosity and support of the annual Tootsie Roll Drive. Your generosity enabled the Knights to raise over \$2000 in support of Special Education and Special Olympics programs. On behalf of all the Knights, my deepest thanks. Sincerely yours, Grand Knight Gregory Goltz.
- ♦ Estate Planning Webinar presented by the Knights of Columbus. Open to all parishners on June 3rd from 7:00 - 8:00 pm. Visit <https://www.kofcwi.org/LiveEvents> to register for this event.
- ♦ **St. Isidore, the patron saint of farmers** whose feast day is Saturday, May 15. Prayer to St. Isidore Good Saint, we are told that your devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was so great that you would rise before it was light in order to be able to attend Mass before beginning your work in the fields. Obtain for us, we pray, some of that loving devotion to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There it is that the fruits of our farm labor, bread and wine, are brought and offered to God by the priest. Then, in the Consecration, Christ Himself, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, becomes present on our altars under the appearances of this same bread and wine. And in what was the altar bread, He comes to us to be the very food of our souls. If we deeply realize the value and beauty of Holy Mass, we will be very happy to attend as often as we possibly can. Help us to understand that in the Mass we offer ourselves to God with Christ by the hands of the priest. There we can bring to God all that we do, and offer it to Him in union with His Holy Sacrifice. The more often we do this now, the happier we shall be hereafter. Good Saint Isidore, bless us and our labors, that we may someday reap the reward of good works with you in heaven. Amen.
- ♦ **NEW!** Where do we find the Mass in the Bible? What is the relationship between the two? In ten beautifully produced lessons, **Parousia: The Bible and the Mass** answers these questions and more. In the latest video Bible study from the St. Paul Center, discover why the liturgy is a major theme that runs through the entire Bible, from Genesis to the Book of Revelation. We'll see how the New Testament is concealed in the Old, the Old is revealed in the New, and why both point directly to the Mass, the sign of the New Covenant. Join host Scott Hahn to uncover how and why all of God's action, in creation and redemption, is ordered to the Mass. Ten weeks, **beginning May 27th, Thursday evening, 6:30 PM in St. Mary's "Lower Room"** (basement). If interested, contact Dcn. Kent via phone or email (608-864-0952, denkent@outlook.com) by Sunday, May 23rd. **Cost?** Just your time.
- ♦ **Sunday Mass on TV:** La Crosse, Channel 25, at 7:30 a.m.
Eau Claire, Channel 18, at 9:30 a.m.; La Crosse, Channel 19, at 9:30 a.m.

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. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown 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/safe-environment/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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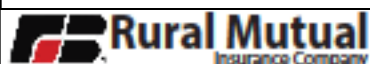
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