

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPEALEAU

ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



# Sunday Bulletin

December 12, 2021 Year C

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The third Sunday of Advent is called "Gaudete Sunday." "Gaudete" means "Rejoice!" Therefore, let us rejoice in the Lord.

Rejoicing in the Lord is not just a matter of thanking and praising God. Rather, it means two things. **First,** it is an attitude of trust in the midst of life's difficulties and troubles. Worries and anxieties have no part in the life of a Christian. Instead, St. Paul said: "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God" (Phil 4:6).

**Secondly,** rejoicing should manifest itself in acts of kindness. Again, St. Paul said: "Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near." St. John the Baptist, therefore, calls us to action. When asked by his listeners what they ought to do, John the Baptist mentioned examples of acts of kindness: giving clothes to those who have none, avoiding extortion and cheating and being of better service to others.

The Act of Kindness proves our faith and helps us to rejoice in the Lord. Let us therefore give to make this Christmas a joyful one for someone in need. This is the reason I initiate a second collection this Sunday.

Let us give; Let us rejoice; Let us keep Christ in Christmas.

### Fr. Antony Joseph

Dear Heavenly Father, Help me to hear your voice. Touch me once again. Give me the courage to be your beloved. Give me courage to choose joy. I need you now this Christmas. Be born in me again. Today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

### LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

	SBT	<u>SMG</u>
Envelopes	\$7,247.00	\$1,177.00
Plate	151.00	167.72
Electronic Dep	584.74	198.50
Christmas Flowe	ers 454.00	170.00
Youth Envelope	s <u>6.00</u>	0.00
Total Offering	\$ <u>8,442.74</u>	\$ <u>1,713.22</u>

Counters: Charlene Joyce, Lori Mahoney

# Intentions December 13— December 19

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

+ Peter Knepper

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m

+ Gregory Stellrecht

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

+ Andrea Jessessky

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m

+ Carmen Woestman

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

+ Ralph & Eunice Haines

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

+ Ed Rolbiecki

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

Father's Intention - + Rosemary Weltzien

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

+ Tom Kelleher

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

All the People of the Parishes

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR Dec. 18

ST. MARY-4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Doreen Emerson, LaVonne Peterson

Lector: Sheila Collom

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.

**Ushers:** Greg Heinz, Volunteer

Servers: John Severson Lector: Judy Heinz

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY Dec. 19

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: James Kinscher, George Richtman

Servers: Zak Guenther, Aidan Ganz

Lector: Shannon Krett

**Communion Minister: Marlene James** 

ST. MARY-10:30 a.m.

**Ushers: Steve Grove, Volunteer** 

Lector: Ellen Karow

### **Christmas Confession Schedule**

Arcadia Deanery will be on Sunday, December 19 from 3-5 p.m. at Holy Family Parish, Arcadia.

**Sunday, December 12: St. Mary's after Mass until 12:30 and at St. Bartholomew's from 3-4 p.m.** If you are unable to make these times, call Father Antony at 608-881-1401 to make an appointment.

### **Christmas Mass Schedule:**

St. Mary: Christmas Eve 4:00 p.m. and Christmas Day 10:30 a.m.

St. Bartholomew: Christmas Eve 8:00 p.m. and Christmas Day 8:30 a.m.

December 26: Masses on Sunday at St. Bartholomew's at 8:30 a.m. and St. Mary's at 10:30 a.m.

### ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- Our PCCW is sponsoring a family of 3 for Christmas this year. The child is 4 years old with special needs. The parents are asking for gift cards. We have made tags that are on the sharing tree. Please take a tag and return by Sunday, December 19 to the office. Thank you for helping with making Christmas happy for this family. We found out there is another family that is in immediate need, so please check the sharing tree for tags for this family. Please attach tag to the gift and return by December 19.
- 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.
- We are **still** looking for a **housekeeper** for the **rectory**, please call the office 608-534-6652.
- The yearly Report to the Bishop is on the table in the vestibule if you would like to pick one up.
- Please pick up your 2022 envelopes in the vestibule of the church.

### ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

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

- **DECEMBER 13**: St. Mary's members are all asked if they can donate an hour to help clean our church proper for Christmas. 4:00-7:00 Bring hand held vacuums or full size ones if you can.
- ST. MARY'S PCCW ADVENT PROJECT: We will be collecting items for Galesville Elementary School needs. Cash is needed to purchase emergency clothing. Pre-packaged snacks (nut free) Examples: gold-fish or nutri-grain bars are needed. There will be a box placed in the entry. Checks (made out to Galesville Elementary)/money should be put into a marked envelope and put into the collection basket.
- PLEASE ask our Lord daily for two or more song leaders to share the ministry of leading singing in the weekend masses. (Luke 18:1-5).
- <u>LIVING WATER Prayer Community.</u> Open prayer meeting this Sunday evening at 6:00-7:15 PM. **HOLY SPIRIT 101 course, Session 4,** will follow the prayer meeting..
- ST. MARY'S is looking for a person or two to volunteer to clean the rectory on a monthly basis. This might take a couple hours for two people. Vacuuming, cleaning bathroom, checking to see that trash is taken out. Please contact the church office if you could help out.
- NEED GOD'S HELP? Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or <a href="mailto:ekarow@hotmail.com">ekarow@hotmail.com</a>.
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### **COMMUNICATION TO ALL**

- **Keep Christ In Christmas** The Knights of Columbus are offering Keep Christ In Christmas yard signs, car/refrigerator magnets and window decals in the church vestibule. A free will donation is greatly appreciated. Recommendation of \$2.75 each.
- ◆ Knights of Columbus Award Winners for 2021. The G-E-T KofC ask you to congratulate and thank the following for their support of and serve to our churches and community. Founders Award Co-winners Mary Ladwig and Becky Harris. Family of the Year George and Kay Richtman.
- 50th Jubilee Celebration; If you are celebrating 50 years of marriage, please let me know before December 22, I will need your names, and marriage date. Thank you.
- St. Elizabeth's Church, Holmen: A Walk With Peter An Advent Journey: Join us on Tuesdays, Dec. 7, 14, 21 from 6:30-7:45 p.m. more information contact Pat Brueggen youth@seasholmen.org or 608-526-4424.
- There will be envelopes in the vestibule for the **Retirement Fund for Religious** for those who wish to make a donation. Make the check out to your parish.

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