

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPEALEAU

ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



# Sunday Bulletin

November 27, 2022 Year A

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#### THIS DARK HOUR

(adapted from Scott Hahn's newsletter)

Jesus' point in using hyperbole to describe the hour of His coming is to drive home a point we might otherwise miss (see Matthew 5:34; 23:9; Luke 14:26).

His point here is that the exact "hour" is not important. What is crucial is that we do not postpone our repentance, that we be ready for Him—spiritually and morally—when He comes again. For He will surely come! He tells us He will come like a thief in the night, like the flood in the time of Noah when only a [very] few are saved — at the end of our life or when He comes again. In today's Epistle, Paul too compares the present age to a time of advancing darkness and night.

We sit in darkness, overshadowed by death, but we've seen the great light of our Lord arise, who has come into our midst (see Matthew 4:16; John 1:9; 8:12). He is the true light, the life of the world. And as His light continues to shine in us, it continues to shine in His Church, the new Jerusalem promised by Isaiah in today's First Reading.

All nations stream to the God of Jacob in His Church, to worship and seek wisdom in the House of David. From the Church goes forth His word of instruction, the light of the Lord—that all might walk in His paths toward that eternal day when night will be no more (see Revelation 22:5).

By our Baptism we have been made children of the light and of the day (see <u>Ephesians 5:8</u>; <u>1 Thessalonians 5:5–7</u>). Isn't it time we start to live like it? Let's then throw off the fruitless works of darkness, reject the desires of the flesh, and walk by the light of His Spirit and His grace.

The hour is late as we begin this new Advent. So let's begin again in today's Eucharist, the source and summit of our life, Jesus present among us.

As we sing in today's Psalm, "let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord." Let's give thanks to His name, keep watch for His coming daily, knowing that our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

God bless! Deacon Kent

#### LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING SBT SMG **Envelopes** \$ 1,490.00 \$ 1,256.00 **Plate** 97.56 118.00 **Electronic Dep** 63.29 0.00 0.00 Youth Envelopes \_\_\_\_\_1.00 **Total Offering** \$ 1,672.29 \$ 1,353.56

Counters: Judy Kowalewski, Kathy Kujak

## Intentions November 28 — December 4

**Monday:** NO MASS

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

**+** Tom Kelleher

**Wednesday: NO MASS** 

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

+ Ralph & Eunice Haines

Friday: NO MASS

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

+ Deceased Members of the Pientok Family

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

+ Dorothy Walski

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

+ Scott Kowalewski

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

+ David & Norma Raymond

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY: Dec. 3

ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Kathy Kujak, LaVonne Peterson

**Lector: Becky Harris** 

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Phil Palzkil, Volunteer

Server: John Severson Lector: Greg Goltz

Communion Minister: Suzanne Lane, Volunteer

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY: Dec. 4

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

**Ushers: 7th Graders** 

Servers: Alexis Ouellette, 7th Grader

**Lector: 7th Graders** 

Communion Minister: MaryKay Plunger, Volunteer

ST. MARY- 10:30 a.m.

**Ushers: Steve Grover, Justin Sagler** 

**Lector: Ellen Karow** 

Religious Education (RE) REwind/Review

4th Grade Curriculum

The Commandments: The Fifth Commandment

You shall not kill.

- Respect and protect the lives of others and your own life.

#### ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- Children's Mass is on Sunday, December 4 at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We will be collecting non-perishable food items for the GET Food pantry. **Donut Sunday** follows the Mass in the church hall. Please come and visit with your parish family.
- Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, December 1 at 6:00 p.m. in church hall. Pastoral Council will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the rectory and then join the Finance Committee in the church hall for a joint meeting.
- Christmas Family: The PCCW is collecting Christmas gifts for a family. Please take an ornament from the tree and purchase the gifts. Wrap the gift, put the ornament on the gift and return to the church by Sunday, December 18. Thank you for making Christmas special for this family.
- ◆ Ecumenical Christmas Gathering is on December 6. The Lutheran Church is hosting this year. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. The meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. All ladies of the parish are invited. This year our church has the mission project.
- Please pick up your **2023 envelopes** in the vestibule of the church. St. Bartholomew follows the Church Year.
- 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.
- Marriage Banns: Blaise Stegemeyer and Mianna Sobotta, date of marriage December 10, 2022.

#### ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

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

• St. Mary's PCCW invite you to join them in praying the rosary before the 6:00 p.m. Mass on Thursday, December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate conception. With the purpose of honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary, this worldwide women's rosary will be held for the first time on December 8. The initiative aims to publicly unite women in defense of the church, life, motherhood and the family. Please come early and join us in prayer.

#### PASTORAL COUNCIL ITEM FOR YOU.

- + Advent is a time of expectation of His 2<sup>nd</sup> coming & a prayerful renewal of our hearts of His 1<sup>st</sup> coming.
- + To foster opportunities for this, the Church will be open for you from 12:30-2:30 PM, Tuesdays through Friday's during Advent, so that you can spend time with Jesus in the Blessed sacrament, should you so desire.
  - Monday, December 12, 4:00-6:00 will be our Advent cleaning of the church. Please come for an hour or two to help us get ready for Christmas. Vacuums are always needed, so if you have a smaller one for under the pews or upright for carpet, please bring them along.
  - Theresa Rude asked that I put in the bulletin that her mother, Charlotte Bremer passed away.
  - 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>.
  - ▶ LIVING WATER Prayer Community open prayer meeting this Sunday evening at 6:00-7:30 PM. 7:30 8:15 Testimonies from the Catholic Charismatic Renewal on the experience and effects of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

#### COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- **Bible Study** will continue on December 3 and 17, from 9:00-10:30 in St. Bartholomew church hall. All are welcome
- THANK YOU to all who supported the Knights of Columbus Food Drive. Due to your generosity the KC's collected over 900 pounds of donations and donated \$540 to the G-E-T Community Food Bank. Bless you and may you continue to Keep Christ in Christmas. Sincerely yours Grand Knight Gregory Goltz.
- Christmas Cookie and Candy Sale: St. Bartholomew's and St. Mary's PCCW's will be having a Christmas Cookie and Candy Sale on Saturday, December 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Dear Friends,

Peace to all.

From my heart, I thank you so much for all your wonderful gifts which helped me to get a car. Without all your help, it won't be possible. I feel blessed. Glory be to God.

Fr. Antony Joseph

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