



**ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPÉALEAU**



**ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE**



**Second Sunday of Advent**

# **Sunday Bulletin**

**December 4, 2022  
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## REFLECTION ON THE 2ND READING

St. John Chrysostom says, “These things were written so that we might not fall away, for we have many battles to fight, both inward & outward. But being comforted by the Scriptures we can exhibit patience, so that by living in patience we might dwell in hope. For these things produce one another—hope brings forth patience, & patience, hope.”

It’s easy in the midst of trials & difficulties to feel like God has abandoned you. It’s also easy to look at history—the bloodshed, warfare & strife—and think, “Where is God in all of this?” It can look like no one’s in charge, a random series of events punctuated by violence, bloodshed, evil & death.

But St. John Chrysostom says that Scripture gives us God’s point of view on history (the worlds & ours), helps us to realize He’s in charge, & that we need to be encouraged by that. Knowing the tribulations & difficulties we’re going to face; God gave us the Scriptures to give us hope & encouragement so that we can grow in the related virtues of patience & endurance.

If you’re one who struggles with impatience, ask yourself the question: Do I get discouraged easily? And if so, ask yourself another question: How often do I read the Bible? How often do I actually study it & act on it?

St. Paul says in the second reading that “by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope.” So, if you’re feeling discouraged or afraid of what the future might hold, take it to the Word of God. Let God encourage you, give you consolation, & build you up in the virtue of hope and patience as you read His Word.

You’ll come to realize that God really is guiding all of history & governing your life as well. Remember, when God said, “The coming is near, the Messiah is coming, just wait for it” centuries had to pass before those promises came to fulfillment. But they did come to fulfillment in the baby at Bethlehem, whose birth we are now preparing to celebrate. So will they for you!

God bless!

Deacon Kent

**Holy day of Obligation, December 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Mass Dec. 7th & 8th.**

### LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

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Envelopes	\$ 1,790.00	\$ 836.00
Plate	136.00	149.50
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Total Offering	\$ 1,943.00	\$ 985.50

**Counters: Charlene Joyce, Joy Critzman**

## Intentions December 5 — December 11

**Monday: NO MASS**

**Tuesday: NO MASS**

**Wednesday: 6:15 p.m. St. Mary**

+ Jack Baer

**Wednesday: 6:15 p.m. St. Bartholomew**

+ Emma Lee Krett

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

+ Dale Czapiewski

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

+ Francis Haines

**Friday: NO MASS**

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

+ Deceased Members of the Cory Family

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

+ Harry Bindelli

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

+ Joseph A. Kokott

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

+ Mark Jacobson

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY: Dec. 11

**ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.**

**Ushers: Carmen Rolbiecki, Doreen Emerson**

**Lector: Sheila Collom**

**ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.**

**Ushers: Greg Heinz, Volunteer**

**Server: John Severson**

**Lector: Kirk Shimek**

**Communion Minister: Karen Shimek, Volunteer**

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY: Dec. 12

**ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.**

**Ushers: Scott Lamberty, Adian Ganz**

**Servers: Reagan Lamberty, Eli Schwertel**

**Lector: Missy Ganz**

**Communion Minister: Anne Bagley, Volunteer**

**ST. MARY— 10:30 a.m.**

**Ushers: Bruce, Sheryl Reedy**

**Lector: Ellen Karow**

## ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- ♦ **Donut Sunday** follows the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the church hall. Please come and visit with your parish family.
- ♦ **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 Tuesday, 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.

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

SBT Income:	<b>\$ 11,956.99</b>	SMG Income:	<b>\$ 6,921.06</b>
Expenses:	<b>\$ 7,903.41</b>	Expenses:	<b>\$ 4,531.82</b>
Net Income:	<b>\$ 4,053.58</b>	Net Income:	<b>\$ 2,389.24</b>

## ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

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

- ♦ **Thank you to Butch Vaughn** for the many years of snow plowing. We greatly appreciate all that you do.
- ♦ **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** Wednesday 12/07: **MASS IS CLASS**; Holy Day of Obligation anticipated Mass – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- ♦ 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.
- ♦ **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.
- ♦ St. Mary's Catholic Church PCCW will be collecting items for Marinuka Manor for bingo prizes. Residents have enjoyed for many years the bingo games and are in need of prizes. We will be collecting these items in the entry of the church. More information will be coming out but the list will include items like giant candy bars, handkerchiefs, fun socks, 300 piece puzzles and items for bird feeding.

### 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.

- ♦ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or [ekarow@hotmail.com](mailto:ekarow@hotmail.com).
- ♦ **LIVING WATER Prayer Community** open prayer meeting this Sunday evening at 6:00-7:30 PM. 7:30 – 8:15 ADVENT MISSION: Based on the book "Fulfilment of All Desire" – Session 1 of 4, Basic Decisions.

## COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ **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.**
- ♦ **Bible Study** will continue on December 17, from 9:00-10:30 in St. Bartholomew church hall. All are welcome
- ♦ **Keep Christ in Christmas** yard signs, magnets and window displays are now available in the church vestibule. Requesting a free will donation of \$3.00 each.
- ♦ **Lifesavers for Life** now known as **ASAP** (Aid & Assistance After Pregnancy) a KofC fundraiser, will be conducted next weekend, Dec. 10th and 11th. Your donations will be used to assist mothers and babies by supporting local pregnancy resource centers.
- ♦ **2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK.** "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education: writes a donor. Please join in thanking senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young, provide health care, minister in parishes, and serve others in need. Please give generously to the **Retirement Fund for Religious**, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members.



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