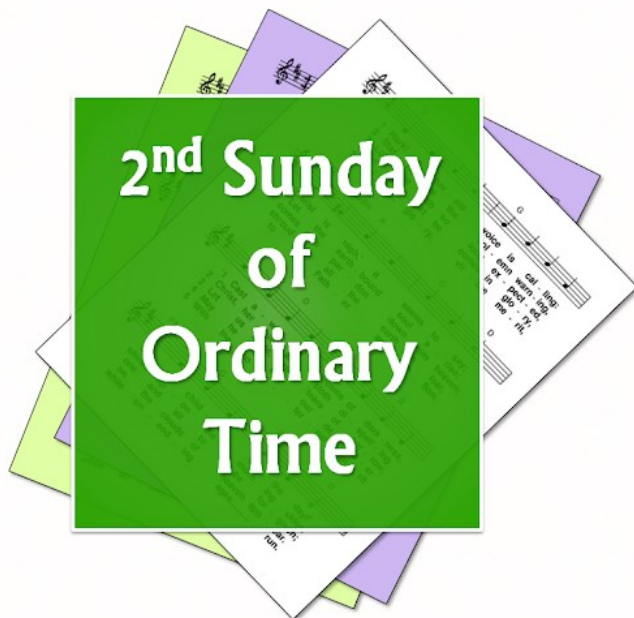




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**ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE**



# Sunday Bulletin

**January 15, 2023**  
**Year A**

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## PERFECT OFFERING

(adapted from Scott Hahn's newsletter)

Jesus is speaking to us through the prophet Isaiah in today's First Reading. He tells us of the mission given to Him by the Father from the womb: "'You are My servant,' He said to Me."

Servant and Son, our Lord was sent to lead a new exodus—to raise up the exiled tribes of Israel, to gather and restore them to God. More than that, He was to be a light to the nations, that God's salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Before the first exodus, a lamb was offered in sacrifice and its blood painted on the Israelites' door posts. The blood of the lamb identified their homes and the Lord "passed over" these in executing judgment on the Egyptians and their gods.

In the new exodus, Jesus is the "Lamb of God," as John beholds Him in the Gospel today. Our Lord sings of this in today's Psalm. He has come, He says, to offer His body to do the will of God. In doing so, He is giving us a model to form our lives around. We too are to offer our bodies to God so that we may please Him by cooperating with Him in bring His love and healing to wounded people in a broken world. In this, we do the possible and let Him do the impossible. Nothing delights Him more!

The sacrifices, oblations, holocausts, and sin-offerings given after the first exodus had no power to take away sins. They were meant not to save us but to teach us. In offering these sacrifices, the people were to learn self-sacrifice—that they were made for worship, to offer themselves freely to God and to delight in His will.

Only Jesus could make that perfect offering of Himself. And through His sacrifice, He has given us ears open to obedience and made it possible for us to hear the Father's call to holiness, as Paul says in today's Epistle.

He has made us children of God, baptized in the blood of the Lamb. And we're to join our sacrifice to His, to offer our bodies—our lives—as living sacrifices in the spiritual worship of the Mass.

God bless!

Deacon Kent

## LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

	<u>SBT</u>	<u>SMG</u>
Envelopes	\$ 1,665.00	\$ 1,001.00
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Total Offering	\$ 2,490.49	\$ 1,343.02

Counters: Charlene Joyce, Joy Critzman

## Intentions January 16 — January 22

**Monday: NO MASS**

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

+ Nancy French

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

+ Tom Kelleher

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

\* For the Living and Deceased Members of SBT PCCW

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

+ James Jessesky

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

+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ LaVonne Mikrut

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

+ Bob Schmall

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

All the People of Our Parishes

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Jan. 21

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

**Ushers: Sandy Salsman, LaVonne Peterson**

**Lector: Becky Harris**

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

**Ushers: Greg Heinz, Volunteer**

**Server: John Severson**

**Lector: Judy Heinz**

**Communion Minister: Doreen Backler**

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY Jan. 22

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

**Ushers: Charles Muller, Tim Jessesky**

**Servers: Chaes Suchla, Volunteer**

**Lector: Joe Plunger**

**Communion Minister: Marlene James**

**ST. MARY- 10:30 a.m.**

**Ushers: Steve Grover, Justin Sagler**

**Lector: Ellen Karow**

**"The habit of prayer, the ritual, simple fidelity to the act, showing up to do it irrespective of feelings and mood, can sustain prayer for a lifetime and rein in the roaming of the head and heart."**

**Fr. Ronald Rolheiser**

## ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- ◆ **Congratulations to Lincoln Grant Stegemeyer**, son of Seth & Morgan Stegemeyer who was baptized on Saturday, December 31, 2022.
- ◆ **Help needed: The 5:30 p.m. Mass** needs more Communion Ministers, Lectors and Ushers. **The 8:30 a.m. Mass** needs more Communion Ministers and Servers. These are important Ministries to be filled. Please call the office, 608-534-6652, if you are willing to help.
- ◆ 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!**

- ◆ **PCCW meeting @ 6:30 on January 17** (Father will have mass at 6:00.) This is an important meeting for us as we will be making Valentine cards, discussing a mardi gras ecumenical idea, and setting a schedule for Lenten soup suppers. All ladies of our parish are encouraged to attend.
- ◆ **Dear Friends at St. Mary's.** The G-E-T Community Food Pantry is very grateful for your recent donation of five bags of groceries. The numbers we serve at the pantry have increased, so your donation is more important than ever. With your help we are able to continue our mission to feed the hungry. Thank you! Sincerely, The G-E-T Community Food Pantry.
- ◆ **NEW BIBLE STUDY:** *The Case for Jesus* with Dr. Brant Pitre. 9 weeks. Begins Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:15-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. More information can be found on St. Mary's Facebook page under Events. To register contact Dcn. Kent at (608)864.0952 or [dcnkent@yahoo.com](mailto:dcnkent@yahoo.com).
- ◆ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or [ekarow@hotmail.com](mailto:ekarow@hotmail.com).

### PASTORAL COUNCIL ITEM FOR YOU.

- + Let's take Fr's. Christmas homily seriously and resolve to carry Jesus every day into our world.
- + Let's intentionally look for someone God has put in our day to not just pray for, but to pray WITH.
- + And let's ask Him for the humility to act as His ambassador and do it; for that's what we're supposed to be.

- ◆ **OCIA: SYMBOLON** Session 1.4, The Story of Salvation: Creation, Fall & Redemption, Thursday Jan. 19, 6:15 PM, Rectory.
- ◆ **LIVING WATER Prayer Community** open prayer meeting this Sunday evening at 6:00-7:30 PM. 7:30-8:30 REVIVE PARISH COURSE: Everyday Apostles - Introduction.

## COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ◆ Bible Study, in January is on 21st from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at St. Bartholomew's church hall.
- ◆ **Building the Domestic Church** booklets are now available in St. Mary's and St. Bartholomew's vestibules. Booklets are free for all parishioners and their families. Knights of Columbus Council #6487, G-E-T.
- ◆ A heart-felt thank you from the Diocese of La Crosse Mission Office/Society for the Propagation of the Faith to St. Bartholomew and St. Mary Parishes for your generous financial contributions of \$827.00 and \$409.00 will help support Catholic parishes, schools and medical institutions in the areas of the world most in need of Christ's presence and grace. On the receiving end, your trust in God's providence and generosity helps them to feel God's Compassion and His Church's care amidst the struggles caused by corruption and poverty. The collection has been extra-crucial for many under these trying times. Our need to give is our faithful response to the gifts God gives, and helps us fulfill our baptismal promises. You are invited to learn more at <https://onefamilyinmission.org/wmm/> or watch a brief video about local efforts through the Mission Office at <http://diolc.org/missions/>. May God reward your generosity with His abundant goodness and grace! Yours in Christ, Rev. Woodrow H. Pace, Mission Office Director, Diocese of La Crosse.
- ◆ **BE A SPIRITUS MISSIONARY:** Do you know a young adult who lives out their faith and is eager to share it with others? SPIRITUS Ministries is looking for Catholics, between 19-29, who want to grow in leadership, holiness and inspire the next generation of youth to live out their Catholic faith. As a SPIRITUS missionary, you'll live in community by gender, travel to schools and parishes throughout Wisconsin, and inspire 5,000+ youth in grades 2-12 through retreats. Missionaries receive one-on-one mentoring, spiritual direction, food, lodging, monthly allowance, health insurance, and a \$3,000\* completion stipend. **There is no fundraising required. For more info visit:** [spiritusministries.org/beamissionary](http://spiritusministries.org/beamissionary)
- ◆ **Gundersen Health System** will host VIRTUAL workshops starting in February on these topics: **Healthy Living with Diabetes and Healthy Living with Chronic Pain.** Each class is one day a week for 2½ hours for 6 weeks. Cost is \$30 and includes a workbook. To register or have a brochure sent to you with more information, please call 608-775-6870.



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