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ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



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WHICH WELL DO WE DRAW FROM?

The Israelites' hearts were hardened by their hardships in the desert.

Though they saw His mighty deeds, in their thirst they grumble & put God to the test in today's First Reading—a crisis point recalled also in today's Psalm.

Jesus is thirsty, too. He thirsts for souls. He longs to give the Samaritan woman (and us) the living waters that well up to eternal life.

These waters couldn't be drawn from the well of Jacob, father of the Israelites & the Samaritans. But Jesus is greater than Jacob.

The Samaritans, Israelites who escaped exile when Assyria conquered the Northern Kingdom, were despised for intermarrying with non-Israelites who led them into mixing their worship of the Living God with foreign gods, at Mount Gerazim, rather than at Jerusalem.

But Jesus tells the woman that the "hour" of true worship is coming, when all will worship God in Spirit & truth.

Jesus' "hour" is the "appointed time" that Paul speaks of in today's Epistle. It is the hour when the Rock of our salvation was struck on the Cross. Struck by the soldier's lance, living waters flowed out from our Rock. These waters are the Living Water of the Holy Spirit, the gift of God.

By the living waters ancient enmities have been washed away & the dividing wall between Israel & the nations is broken down. Since His hour, all may drink of the Holy Spirit in Baptism.

In the Eucharist, our Lord now is in our midst—as He was at the Rock of Horeb & at the well of Jacob.

In the "today" of our Liturgy, He calls us to believe: "I AM," has come to pour out God's love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

How can we continue to worship as if we don't understand? How can we continue to draw polluted water from the well of the world rather than the pure living water that comes from Him? To worship the foreign gods of money, comfort & entertainment that lead to death? How can our hearts remain so hardened?

God bless!
Deacon Kent

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Intentions March 13 — March 19

Monday: 6:00 p.m. St. Bartholomew

+ Richard Lettner

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

+ Louise Faini

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Gen Rogness

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

+ Dale Czapiewski

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

+ Janet Vondrasek

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

+ Gary & Carla Knepper

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

+ Marilou Hunter

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

+ George Motszko

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Mar. 18

ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Kathy Kujak, Volunteer

Lector: Becky Harris

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Greg Heinz, Volunteer

Server: John Severson

Lector: Judy Heinz

Communion Minister: Judy Heinz

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY Mar. 19

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: James Kinscher, Kris Krett

Servers: Chaes Suchla, Volunteer

Lector: Anne Bagley

Communion Minister: Anne Bagley

ST. MARY- 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Sheryl Reedy, Bruce Reedy

Lector: Ellen Karow

Religious Education (RE) REwind/Review 4th Grade Curriculum *Liturgical Seasons of the Church:* Triduum - the three day celebration of the Paschal Mystery which precedes Easter.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- ♦ **Stations of the Cross** all Wednesdays of March at 7:00 p.m. Father is requesting that different groups lead the Stations. Leading the Stations: March 15th—CCD classes, all are asked to be there; March 22nd - Pastoral Council and March 29th - Finance Council.
- ♦ **Lenten Fish Fry & Bake Sale** are on Friday March 24. It is Dine In or Carry Out, serving from 4-7, or until gone. The menu is Batter Fried Cod or Catfish or Baked Cod, Baked or Cheesy Potatoes, Coleslaw, Vegetable and Dinner Roll. Cost \$12.00 per dinner. We hope you can make it.
- ♦ **PCCW's next meeting** is March 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall. **Bingo - Sunday, March 19th**, 1-3 p.m. in the church hall. Free to play. Cash and other "fabulous" prizes will be available. Beverages will be provided. Please bring a snack to share. Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend.
- ♦ The PCCW will again this year be assembling Easter Baskets. We are in need of small toys, eggs to fill, and candy to complete the baskets. A box will be available in the vestibule for donations until March 27th. We have had amazing support for this endeavor for many years. Thank you for your help.
- ♦ We are looking for a sacristan. Kay Richtman is going to retire right after Easter. She will show you the ropes. She is willing to have you shadow her for a few weeks. This can be a paid position and only takes a few hours a week. Call the office if you are interested, 608-534-6652.
- ♦ 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!

- ♦ **ALL RE PARENTS ARE INVITED!** RE classes this Wednesday will be doing Stations of the Cross followed by a short period of Adoration. Please come and pray with your children. It'll be a great to share your faith with them!
- ♦ **St. Mary's PCCW will meet Tuesday, March 21st at 7:00.** There is mass at 6:00 and soup supper at 6:30. We will meet in the Madonna Room.
- ♦ **Lenten Almsgiving for Food Pantry:** St. Mary's PCCW invites you to join us in almsgiving as we collect items for the G-E-T food pantry during this season of Lent. Some of the most wanted items at the food pantry are Hamburger Helper, pancake mix & syrup, boxed noodles, canned soup, and personal care items such as shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, and toilet paper. You can drop off your donations in the entryway of the church anytime during Lent. Thank you.
- ♦ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or ekarow@hotmail.com.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ITEM FOR YOU.

- + Jesus tells us that prayer, fasting, and giving alms is the way to the heart of our heavenly Father.
- + Are we doing these out of love for Him, or out of a sense of obligation? Like the prodigal or like the older brother?

- ♦ **BIBLE STUDY:** Week 7 of 9, *The Crucifixion of Jesus* with Dr. Brant Pitre, on Monday, March 6 from 6:15-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory.
- ♦ **LIVING WATER Prayer Community** open prayer meeting this Sunday evening at 6:00-7:30 PM. Following the Prayer Meeting, Fr. Matthias - *Lenten Mission, Night Three*.
- ♦ **OCIA, SYMBOLON** Session 1.10: *The last things – What Happens When I Die?* Thursday, March 16th, 6:15 PM, Rectory.
- ♦ **ENCOUNTER JESUS ON THE WAY TO CALVARY.** Participate in the STATIONS of the CROSS followed by a brief period of Adoration this Friday, 6:00-7:00 PM. Your heart was made for Him; you'll be restless until you know Him.
- ♦ **DEEPEN YOUR LOVE OF GOD.** During Lent the Church will be open for you to spend time with Him, 12:30-2:30 PM, Tuesdays through Fridays.

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ **Deanery Reconciliation on Sunday, March 19 at 3:00 p.m. at Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Independence.**
- ♦ **ST. MARY'S SOUP SUPPERS:** Will be on Tuesdays, after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome. Every Tuesday during lent: March 14, March 21, and March 28. St. Mary's PCCW hosts these events in the church basement.
- ♦ **Bible Study** is on March 18th from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at St. Bartholomew's church hall.
- ♦ **Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner at St. Bridget's, Ettrick** on today, March 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- ♦ **St. Patrick's Day Luncheon, St. John's, Whitehall.** Saturday, March 18 serving Noon to 6 p.m. Creamed Chicken over Biscuits, Salads, Dessert and Beverage. Cost: \$8.00.
- ♦ **Lenten Fish Fry, St. Ansgar Parish, Blair,** Friday, March 31 serving Fish, Potato, Carrots, Coleslaw 4-7 p.m. Cost \$14.00. **DRIVE UP ONLY.**

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