



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPEALEAU

ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



Sunday Bulletin

March 5, 2023 Year A

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TRANSFIGURATION & CONVERSION

On this 2nd Sunday of Lent we hear about the transfiguration, the ultimate religious experience. Being with Jesus on the mountaintop, experiencing light, sounds, blinding visions & clouds, revealing to 3 of His disciples who He really was. Surely if anything would change our life forever, this would be it!

Yet did these 3 disciples become the most faithful & holy of all the disciples? Nope! They argued, they didn't listen, & Peter even denied Jesus. The transfiguration seems to have slipped his mind.

So, what does this have to do with us?

We can often hold either of 2 assumptions regarding religious experience (good or bad) that for us can spell the difference between life & death.

THE FIRST ASSUMPTION is assuming that because we've harbored or committed sin, hidden or not, that we're forever shaped by that. That's a lie!

None of that can ever be allowed to contradict the message of the gospel; to think somehow that Jesus' message of new life, that our ability to leave church today & live out our baptismal promises, has been changed forever by something we've done.

<u>No one</u> in Jesus' ministry was ever so discouraged, so possessed by evil, so cut off from goodness, that Jesus couldn't reach, who couldn't receive His salvation & begin a new life in Him.

THE SECOND ASSUMPTION is the flip side of the 1st. It's thinking that having done good, generous, or well-meaning things, our work is over.

Surprise! God's never done with us! He'll still call us to make decisions where we have to change our attitudes about how we value money, the poor, or our status.

Our good works give glory to God, & yet we're never done with the work of finding new ways to turn our lives over to him.

We can say "I love you" once, but we need to act it out again & again. Once, after all, ain't for always. Our transfiguration takes time—& often some pain.

If the Lenten Gospel accounts of Jesus' ministry have a message for us, it's surely that our need for transfiguration, for conversion, is never quite done.

God bless!
Deacon Kent

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Intentions March 6— March 512

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

+ Bob Schmall

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

+ Harry Bindelli

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Robbie Sacia

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

+ Pete, Betty & Monica Knepper

<u>Thursday:</u> 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

Tim Gerenz

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

+ David Wallace Raymond

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

+ Cindy Monzo

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

+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Janet Vondrasek

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

+ Helen Enters

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Mar. 11

ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: LaVonne Peterson, Volunteer

Lector: Theresa Haines

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Phil Palzkil, Volunteer

Server: John Severson Lector: Greg Goltz

Communion Minister: Suzanne Lane

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY Mar. 12

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: John Giemza, Carter Giemza Servers: Zak Guenther, Volunteer

Lector: Shannon Krett

Communion Minister: Darlene Schlesser

ST. MARY-10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Tim Babros, Deb Babros

Lector: Cindy Anderson

Religious Education (RE) REwind/Review 4th Grade Curriculum *Liturgical Seasons of the Church*: Lent - last 40 days. Lent is a time to prepare for Easter by following Jesus more closely.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- **Donut Sunday:** Join us for Donuts in the hall after Mass. Also there is a lot of good company.
- 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 8th—Knights of Columbus; 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.
- 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 FEBRUARY

 SBT Income:
 \$ 15,113.33
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 Expenses:
 \$ 15,085.81
 Expenses:
 \$ 6,947.25

 Net Income:
 \$ 27.52
 Net Income:
 \$ 551.88

ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

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

- ♦ 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.
- ◆ <u>Lenten Almsgiving for Food Pantry:</u> 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.

- + How can I love Jesus & His people more intensely during this Lenten season? After Lent?
- + Is my Lenten sacrifice just about me & what I'm giving up? Or is it, focused on Jesus?
- **BIBLE STUDY:** Week 6 of 9, *Did Jesus Claim to be God?* 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 Two.
- OCIA, SYMBOLON Session 1.10: The last things What Happens When I Die? Thursday, March 9th, 6:15 PM, Rectory.
- ◆ COME to the STATIONS of the CROSS & ADORATION during Lent, Fridays, 6:00-7:00 PM, because we want you to encounter Jesus. Your heart was made for Him and will be restless until it knows Him.
- **DEEPEN YOUR LOVE OF GOD** & friendship with Him. **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

- **REMINDER:** Welcome for Fr. Sebastian. Potluck meal to welcome Father on Sunday, March 12 at noon. All are welcome from both parishes. Bring a dish to pass and visit with Father and our parish community.
- ◆ ST. MARY'S SOUP SUPPERS: Will be on Tuesdays, after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome. Every Tuesday during lent: March 7, March 14, March 21, and March 28. St. Mary's PCCW hosts these events in the church becoment
- ♦ **Bible Study** is on March 11th and 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 Sunday, 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.

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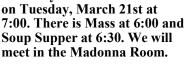


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