



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPPEALEAU



ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



Sunday Bulletin

**April 23, 2023
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MASS ON THE MOVE

In today's Gospel we encounter two discouraged & downcast men making their way to Emmaus. They're looking down, not up. The One they thought would liberate Israel has been cruelly killed. It is late afternoon & they're leaving town.

They cannot see or understand God's plan, that Jesus must be alive, just as the women reported. They're blind to the miracle that happened just hours before.

Aren't they like us? We often struggle to understand Life's sufferings when, in Jesus Christ, we've already won the victory over its vicissitudes. In Him, this life is NOT the end! Too easily our eyes are cast downward in depression rather than upward in faith.

How will the Lord give them (& us) this vision? How will He enable them to see His risen glory? How will He encourage them to look up, away from their downward focus, & behold new life?

He'll do it in the context of the Mass, He'll open their eyes & they'll recognize Him. There they'll see His glory & the new life.

Jesus enters their little group (Gathering Rite), asks what's troubling them (Penitential Rite), breaks open & interprets the scriptures (Liturgy of the Word). Having heard the Word, they make a request of Jesus (Intercessory Prayer). Then the bread is blessed, broken & given (Liturgy of the Eucharist). They are the same actions that took place at the Last Supper; it opens their eyes & they recognize Him.

The liturgy & the sacraments are not mere rituals; they are encounters with the risen Christ. When our faith drops the 18" from our head to our heart, our eyes are opened & we learn to see & hear Jesus Christ in the liturgy, & to experience His ministry to us.

The two disciples ran seven miles back to tell their brethren how they encountered Jesus.

How about us? At the end of Mass, the priest or deacon says, "The Mass is ended. Go in peace." *Ite Missa Est Go, you have been dismissed.* This does not mean, "We're done, go home & have nice day." It means, "Go into the world & bring the Christ you've received to others." It's a perfect time to do some evangelization & works of mercy. Bring God's love to your world!

God bless! Deacon Kent

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Counters: Judy Kowalewski, Kathy Kujak

Intentions April 24 — April 30

Monday: 6:00 p.m. St. Bartholomew
NO MASS

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. St. Mary
NO MASS

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew
NO MASS

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew
+ Bill Schuth

Friday: 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew
NO MASS

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. St. Mary
For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. St. Bartholomew
+ George and Dorothy Walski

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. St. Bartholomew
+ Adolph Slaby

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. St. Mary
All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Apr. 29

ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Sandy Salsman, Volunteer

Lectors: Theresa Haines

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Phil Palzkil, Volunteer

Server: John Severson

Lectors: Doreen Backler

Communion Minister: Doreen Backler

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY Apr. 30

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Craig Boyer, George Richtman

Servers: Eli Schwertel, Brian Kent

Lectors: Dan Kelleher

Communion Minister: MaryKay Plunger

ST. MARY- 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Tim Babros, Deb Babros

Lectors: Cindy Anderson,

Religious Education (RE) REwind/REview
4th Grade Curriculum-Sacraments

The seven sacraments are effective signs of God's life, instituted by Christ and given to the Church. In the celebration of each Sacrament, there are visible signs and Divine actions that give grace and allow us to share God's work.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- ◆ Congratulations to Miles Anthony LaLiberte, son of Mitch and Shilo LaLiberte who was baptized, last Sunday, April 16.
- ◆ First Communion will be next Sunday, April 30 at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We are happy to announce that we have 5 First Communicants receiving the Eucharist on this day. Keep them in your prayers.
- ◆ Thanks to all for your generous donations totaling \$496 for the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women collection last weekend. This will help enable them to continue their many service, leadership and spirituality projects going forward.
- ◆ Lectors needed and can be of any age. We are also in need of Eucharist Ministers for both Masses. Please contact the office, 608-534-6652 or email secretary@stmstb.diocleparish.org with your information.
- ◆ Need prayers for any health or anxiety issue - big or small. Contact the prayer chain, Doreen Backler, 608-534-6118, Ethel Ouellette, 608-534-6520 or the Knights of Columbus (Greg Goltz) @ 608-865-1518 .

ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

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

- ◆ **PCCW Updates:** Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:30 (Mass at 6:00). The Spring Salad luncheon will be at the Presbyterian Church at noon Friday, May 5. All ladies of St. Mary's are invited to attend this ecumenical event. Bring a salad to share. The speaker will be Mary Parish of Sunset Gardens.
- ◆ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or ekarow@hotmail.com or the Knights of Columbus (Greg Goltz) @ 608-865-1518.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ITEM FOR YOU.

- + How have you engaged in Jesus' (& our parish) mission, to love God, love others & make disciples, this week?
- + Who have you had a spiritual conversation with this week? Who have you prayed with, not just for, this week?
- + "Don't be afraid! Don't be satisfied with mediocrity. Put out into the deep & let down your nets for a catch!" (JP II).

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ◆ Fr. Sebastian will be gone the week of April 24-28 for an annual retreat. There will be a Mass on Thursday, April 27 at 10:00 a.m. Fr. Doss will be here.
- ◆ **Bible Study** is on May 13 from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at St. Bartholomew's church hall.
- ◆ **BIBLE STUDY Time change:** Sunday evenings after the prayer meeting, from 7:30–8:30 PM.
- ◆ **LIVING WATER! Prayer Community** invites you to experience the Holy Spirit's love for you this Sunday evening, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory: praise & worship, contemplative prayer, spiritual gifts, and sharing life. **FOLLOWING:** "Evangelization & the Acts of the Apostles, Session 1 – Why Study Acts?" with Dr. Mary Healy.
- ◆ **A special THANK YOU** to all the Arcadia Deanery ladies for an exceptional attendance at the Spirituality Gathering. Hospitality by St. Bartholomew's PCCW was awesome.
- ◆ **Thanks to all** who donated so generously to the LDCCW Divine Mercy Collection.
- ◆ **Capital Campaign Receptions:** There will be receptions at both parishes on April 22 & 23 after the Masses. St. Mary's will be in the church basement. St. Bartholomew will be in the church hall. On April 29 & 30 St. Mary will have receptions after both Masses. The May 6th and 7th receptions have been cancelled.
- ◆ Please join us Saturday, May 6th in Marathon City, as we come together to share memories of the good work Servant of God, Father Joseph Walijewski. This event is a celebration of the life of Father Walijewski and his legacy that lives on at Casa Hogar Juan Pablo orphanage, a direct mission of the Diocese of La Crosse. Guest speakers for the evening will be Msgr. Joseph Hirsch, Director of Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II, and Fr. Sebastian Kolodziejczyk, previous Director of Casa Hogar (2001-2013), both continuing the work started by Padre Jose. Memories Ballroom in Marathon City. Social 4:30 p.m. – Dinner at 6:15 p.m. Cost – \$30 adults, \$10 for children 5-10 years, and free for 4 years and under. Register at homeajpm.org/events. For questions, or to register by phone, call 715-297-5139.
- ◆ When we are young, we look towards the future and wonder what's in store. Perhaps there are dreams of accomplishing great things, helping others, or being able to change the world. Well, there is a vocational calling that can provide the opportunity to do all of that and so much more: the priesthood! Consider the Lord's call to the priesthood, a calling that gives young men the opportunity to be part of something greater, the Church. It provides an opportunity to be part of God's healing mission, a mission to save souls and bring people into deeper relationship with Him. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering this call, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667.

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