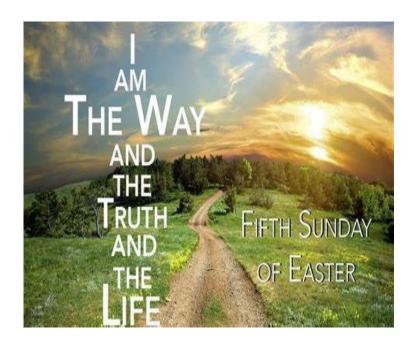




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ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



Sunday Bulletin

May 7, 2023 Year A

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THE WAY, THE TRUTH & THE LIFE

(adapted from a talk by Dr. Brant Pitre)

We see in the Book of Acts four things of utmost importance: the Holy Spirit, the Word of God, the Sacraments (baptism last week, ordination—the diaconate—today), & the importance of Jesus as the sole savior of the world.

We live in a pluralistic world where many people from many cultures & religions make many different claims about salvation, about the truth (including religious truth) & religious identity. It's important to note is that in John 14 the Church is again calling us to emphasize that Christ, & Christ alone, is the fullness of salvation, the way of truth, & the way to eternal life. The Catechism, drawing on this Gospel, emphasizes that Jesus is the sole savior of the world:

"Left to its own natural powers humanity does not have access to the "Father's house," to God's life & happiness. Only Christ can open to man such access that we, His members, might have confidence that we too shall go where He, our Head & our Source, has preceded us." So why is that important? If heaven really is what Jesus says it is, the life of the Trinity, then that means that heaven is not just a place of natural happiness we get to by doing good stuff to earn a spot there.

There's nothing we can do that can earn our way into the wonderful, glorious supernatural life of the Trinity—the life & love of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit.

If we are going to enter into the life of Trinity, one of the members of Trinity—namely the Son himself—has to come to us & lead us home. He has to give us the grace—through another person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit—to be a member of His body, His mystical body, the Church, so that we can share in the vision of the Father, the unveiled face of our heavenly Father forever & ever. That's not something we can earn by doing good under our natural power as the Catechism puts it. The only way to eternal life is through & by the Son in the Spirit who leads us to see Father forever & ever in what we call the beatific vision. That's what the Church is preparing us for on this Fifth Sunday of Easter. She's preparing us for the great gift of the Holy Spirit who will come at Pentecost.

God bless!
Deacon Kent

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING		
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Counters: Dan Kelleher, Lori Mahoney

Intentions May 8 - May 14

Monday: No MASS

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Harold Andre

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

+ Adolph Slaby

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

+ Dana Backler.

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

+ Joseph Kokott

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

+ Andrea Jessessky

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. St. Bartholomew For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Betty, Pete & Monica Knepper

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, May 13

ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Kathy Kujak, Sandy Salsman

Lectors: Theresa Haines

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: George Richtman, Volunteer

Server: John Severson Lectors: Kirk Shimek

Communion Minister: Karen Shimek

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY May 14

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: John Giemza, Carter Giemza Servers: Cody Ouellette, Alexis Ouellette

Lectors: Joe Plunger

Communion Minister: MaryKay Plunger

ST. MARY-10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Steve Grover, Justin Sagler

Lectors: Cindy Anderson

Religious Education (RE) REwind/REview

4th Grade Curriculum-Eternal Life

-Heaven is where all holy people who have lived in

God's grace share with him in joy forever.

-Hell is separation from God for those who have refused his grace and forgiveness.

Purgatory is a place for the purification required to reach the holiness needed to enter heaven.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- Congratulations to our First Holy Communicants: Calla, Gavin, Nathan, Maverick and Emmett who received their First Holy Communion last Sunday.
- **Donut Sunday** in the church hall after Mass today.
- PCCW meeting on Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the hall. Silent Auction after meeting.
- We will sell Roses on May 13 & 14 for Mother's Day, donations for the Trempealeau County Right to Life.
- 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.diolcparish.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.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

SBT Income: \$ 16,771.70 SMG Income: \$ 9,809.39 Expenses: \$ 22,256.78 Expenses: \$12,394.32 Net Loss: Net Loss: \$ (5,485.08) \$ (2.584.93)

ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

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

- **PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** Tuesday May 16th, in the Rectory immediately following Mass. Once again the three communities of the G-E-T School District will offer a free summer lunch program. In Galesville, the lunches will be served on Tuesdays and Fridays at Cance park from June 13 to August 18. To volunteer to help prepare and serve the lunches you may sign up on this site: http.//tinyurl.com/4z96dvvh.
- **RIGHT TO LIFE ROSES**: on May 13 & 14 before and after Masses the PCCW will be selling roses to assist the Trempealeau County Right to Life Chapter. Suggested donation is \$3.00 or 2/\$5.
- 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's) mission this week?
- + Jesus' mission begins immediately after Mass. Are you living in mission, or just playing Church?
- + This week will you do an act of mercy, of kindness, to someone you don't like, but God loves?
 - OCIA: SMG Rectory, Thursday, May 18, 6:15-7:30.

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- May is the Mary's month. We will be starting the Rosary at 3:00 p.m. at the Grotto.
- Congratulations to Our Graduates! SBT: Ethan Backler, Thomas Haney, Caydence Kokott, Cal Kulas, Kaileb Lakey, Grant Lamberty, Elsie Marley, Nadia Wolfe. SMG: Charles Caya.
- 50th Anniversary of the Knights of Columbus, Marynook Council 6487, Galesville Ettrick -Trempealeau. All are invited to our anniversary celebration, next Sunday, May 7th at 9:30 am in St. Bartholomew's Parish Hall. It's Doughnut Sunday also, so there will be cake, donuts, coffee and drinks. See vou there.
- **Knights of Columbus** monthly meeting is Tuesday, May 9th at St. Mary's in the church basement at 7:00 pm.
- **Bible Study** is on May 13 from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at St. Bartholomew's church hall.
- 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. BIBLE STUDY FOLLOWING: "Evangelization & the Acts of the Apostles, Session 3 – Proclaiming the Keygma" with Dr. Mary Healy.
- **BINGO** at St. John the Apostle Church, Whitehall on Sunday, May 21 from 1-3:30 p.m.
- Domestic Church Retreat for couples June 3-4, 2023 that will be held at St. Joseph Parish 911 Wilson Ave. Menomonie, WI 54751. This Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat begins on Saturday morning at 8:30 AM and ends at 4:30 PM the following Sunday. Please go to this website to register and get more information: https://diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment/
- Catholic Charities Food Pantry is Low. Things needed are listed on bulletin board.
- PEACE FROM THE HEART OF A CHILD retreat at St. Anthony Spirituality Center, 300 E Fourth St. Marathon, WI. Saturday, May 20 from 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. Check flyer for more information.

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