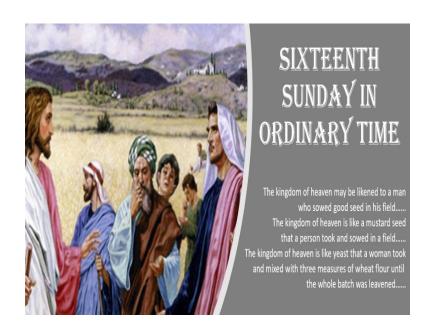




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ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



Sunday Bulletin

July 23, 2023 Year A

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WHEAT AND THE WEEDS

God's grace and man's correspondence can transform the weed into wheat. The Parable of the Wheat and the Weeds reminds us that good and evil people live together in this present life.

The presence of evil in the world will only be eradicated during the last judgement. However, this doesn't mean that we have to be passive before evil and join the bandwagon. Rather, far from being discouraged and putting our trust in the Lord, we must persevere in doing good and strive to drown evil with an abundance of good out of love for God and our neighbor.

It also reminds us that though in the natural plane, weeds cannot become and cannot change into wheat, in the supernatural plane, however, with God's grace and a person's correspondence, weeds can become wheat. Remember St. Mary Magdalene, the good thief, and St. Augustine?

They and many saints led very sinful lives but because God, who is forgiving, merciful, and patient, grants the grace of repentance for one's sins, they have fought against evil, allowing God to work in their soul, and arrived at holiness.

We should not be discouraged if we find evil in us and around us. While we are in the world, we must be vigilant so as not to be contaminated by the weeds sown by the devil in our society: customs, ideas, conduct which are not compatible with our Catholic faith must be constantly rejected by living our faith daily.

We shall seek union with God and respond to His call to holiness and apostolate to be a source of joy, solace and consolation to others who are lost, and a fount of salvation, bringing souls to Christ, through perseverance in doing what is good, prayer, good example, friendship and apostolate.

Like Mustard seed our small acts of faith, love, kindness, compassion, and faithfulness can have a significant impact when nurtured. It challenges our perception of value, reminding us that God's kingdom works humbly. Just as yeast leavens dough, we become vessels for God's grace, spreading love and bringing forth goodness, joy, and hope in our communities and the world.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING		
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Counters: Charlene Joyce, Kathy Kujak

Intentions July 24 - July 30

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

+ Mary Simerson

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Nick Pientok

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

+ Bill Schuth

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 p.m.

David Wallace Raymond

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

+ Joyce Dolle

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

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

+ All the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Barb Gatzlaff

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, July 29

ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Doreen Emerson, Butch Vaughn

Lectors: Becky Harris

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Greg Heinz, Volunteer

Server: John Severson Lectors: Judy Heinz

Communion Minister: Judy Heinz

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY July 30

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: George Richtman, Charles Muller

Servers: Eli Schwertel, Garrett Bork

Lectors: Joe Plunger

Communion Minister: MaryKay Plunger

ST. MARY-10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Steve Grover, Justin Sagler

Lectors: Ellen Karow

FAMILY PRAYER CORNER

At 7:00 p.m. all parish families are asked to pray:

1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and 1 Glory Be to the Father with this intention in mind: For the Church, it's leaders and it's people.

ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

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

- ◆ A heartfelt THANK YOU goes out to the 36 families of the St. Mary's/St. Bartholomew's communities who made a pledge to the, Inspired by the Spirit campaign. Your generous monetary sacrifices have enabled our parish to not only reach the \$85.000 goal, but to exceed it to the \$97,200 level. The projects listed in our case statement will be completed as monies pledged become available over the next five years. You will be kept informed along the way as each project progresses to completion. For those who were unable to make a contribution to the capital campaign there will be another opportunity to show your support this fall. The Annual Appeal will require the joining together of all St. Mary's family members to reach our required contribution. God Bless!
- St. Mary's PCCW will be selling football sweepstakes tickets again. These tickets are \$20. Each ticket gives you three teams for every regular NFL game with a chance to win cash prizes throughout the season. We will be using the proceeds to decorate/accessorize the new women's bathroom (capital campaign project). Thank you for supporting us!
- ◆ Mark your Calendars!! St. Mary's Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW) invite all women of the parish to attend our August 8th meeting at 6:30 pm. We meet bi-monthly from August to May. Why should you join? (1) To meet new women of your parish community and keep in touch with those you already know. (2) to support and encourage other parish family members, and (3) to feel more connected to your parish community. We look forward to seeing you there!
- <u>NEED GOD'S HELP?</u> Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or <u>ekarow@hotmail.com</u> or the Knights of Columbus (Greg Goltz) @ 608-865-1518.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ITEM FOR YOU.

- + St. Mary's Mission: to love God, love others, and go make disciples.
- + Practical ways to love others are found in the Spiritual and Corporal Acts of Mercy.
- + <u>This week</u>, have compassion (literally, "to suffer with") on someone (even your spouse, who may have had a hard day) by taking part in their suffering and hearing them out. Often all a person wants is to be "heard." That alone can comfort them in their trials. To comfort the afflicted is the 5th Spiritual Work of Mercy.
 - OCIA: SMG Rectory, Thursday, July 27, 6:15-7:30.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- St. Bartholomew's PCCW will again have a cash raffle for Fall Festival. Please notify Janet Amundson of your donation for the raffle either by email: gramsjan4@hotmail.com or phone 608-534-6541. Deadline August 1. Your donation is very much appreciated....Thank you.
- The PCCW would appreciate some one stepping up to become a set chair. At this point and time, there is no one as set chair for set 1. Also, we are looking for and need some one to volunteer as vice-president. The term for president ends in April 2024.
- We know that we need a teacher this year for the 1st Grade. Please consider this opportunity to teach our children about our religion. We have helpers in all grades. Call the office at 608-534-6652
- 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.

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- *LIVING WATER*, our charismatic prayer group, invites you to join them to love God through praise and worship, and to experience the Holy Spirit's presence and gifts, this Sunday evening, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory.
- Come to a **NIGHT OF HEALING** and experience God's love and mercy! Hosted by St. Bartholomew's Parish and the *LIVING WATER!* Prayer Community, Sunday evening, July 30th, 6:30 -7:45. **Confession and Anointing will be available, along with prayer teams to pray with you individually should you so desire.**
- ◆ Good news we are adding one more Dare to Follow Day and Evening of Discernment in Mosinee on Sunday, August6. Ages12-16 at 2:00-5:00PM and Ages 17+ at 6:00 9:00PM. Place: St Paul Catholic Church 603 4th street Mosinee 54455. To register please contact Andrew Breggen (abrueggen@diolc.org) or Renee 'Orth (roth@diolc.org). 608-791-2667.
- In July 2024 the National Eucharistic Congress will be held in Indianapolis, IN. This 5 day experience titled Eyes Opened, Hearts on Fire, will be held July 17-24, 2024. We would need to know the number of pilgrims that might be interested in joining a group from the Diocese of La Crosse to attend,

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