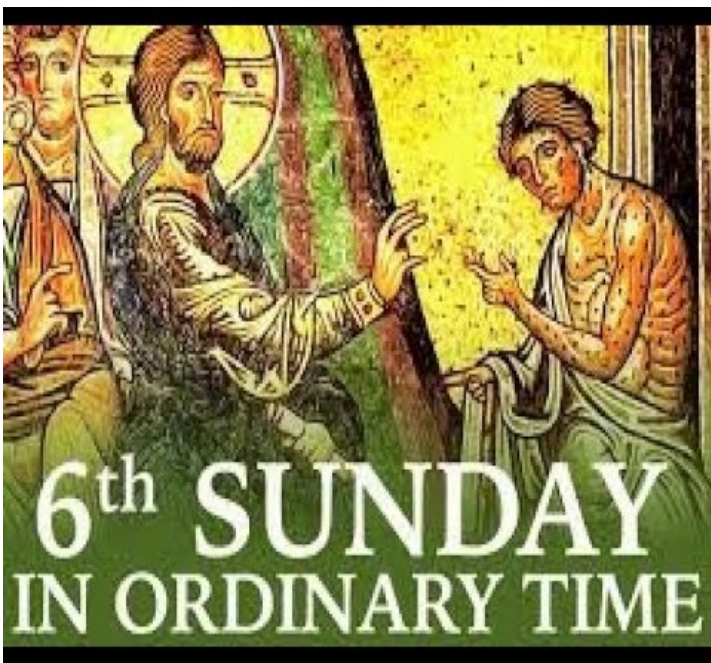




**ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPEALEAU**



**ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE**



# Sunday Bulletin

## February 11, 2024

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## MADE CLEAN

In today's Gospel Jesus heals a leper. In Scripture, leprosy describes more than just a disease; it's a metaphor for sin. Obviously leprosy itself is not sin, but its effects are similar, so this passage includes us. Like leprosy, sin disfigure & deteriorates us, distances us from others, & brings death if unchecked. Only God has the power to cure leprosy & cleanse from sin.

So, what about us spiritual lepers? Today's Gospel suggests four steps to find healing from the leprosy of sin.

1. Admit the Reality – Like the leper in the Gospel, we must start with step one: admitting the reality of our sin & humbly asking the Lord for help.

2. Accept the Relationship – It's our relationship with the Lord, established by faith, that we're justified, transformed, healed, & saved. If we want to be free of the leprosy of our sin, we must accept the saving relationship with Jesus & let Him touch us.

3. Apply the Remedy – Having healed the leper, Jesus instructs him to follow through: "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest & offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them."

Why should he do this? After all, the Lord has already healed him. We can only answer, "Do what Jesus says: show yourself to the priest & offer your penance." It's clear from this passage that confession is to be a part of a believer's life, especially in the case of serious sin.

4. Announce the Result – This is rather puzzling: Jesus warns the healed leper not to tell a soul other than the priest. But His reason is made clear later in the passage; He doesn't want His mission turned into a magic show where people gathered just to see miracles.

That said, the command to remain silent cannot hold for us who have this standing order: "Go therefore & make disciples of all nations" (Matt 28:19-20).

So, whatever God has done for you, big or small, don't keep it to yourself. Telling others the good news of what God has done for you is at the heart of evangelization. Just do it!

God bless!  
Deacon Kent

## LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

	SBT	SMG
Envelopes	\$ 1,740.00	\$ 1,727.00
Plate	175.50	141.00
Electronic Dep.	0.00	83.85
CCHD	190.00	0.00
Youth Envelopes	13.00	1.00
Total Offering	\$ 2,118.50	\$ 1,952.85

Counters: Judy Kowalewski, Kathy Kujak

## Intentions February 12 – February 18

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

+ Henry & Rose Kohnle

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

*Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.*

+ Deceased Members of the Pientok Family

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

+ Clayton Backler

**Ash Wednesday: 6:15 p.m. St. Bartholomew**

+ All the Children of Our Parishes

**Ash Wednesday: 6:15 p.m. St. Mary**

+ Patrick Paige

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

*Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.*

+ Jim Walske

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

+ Jim Ritter

**Saturday: 4:00 p.m. St. Bartholomew**

+ LaVonne Mikrut

**Saturday: 5:30 p.m. St. Mary**

+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Polly Rathburn

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

All the People of Our Parishes

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Feb. 17

**ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.**

**Ushers: Sandy Salsman, Kathy Kujak**

**Lectors: Sheila Collom**

**ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.**

**Ushers: George Richtman, Volunteer**

**Server: John Severson**

**Lectors: Kirk Shimek**

**Communion Minister: Suzanne Lane**

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY Feb. 18

**ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.**

**Ushers: Jason Hilton, Jim Scherr**

**Servers: Chaes Suchla, Jaylen Hilton**

**Lectors: Joe Plunger**

**Communion Minister: MaryKay Plunger**

**ST. MARY- 10:30 a.m.**

**Ushers: Bruce Reedy, Sheryl Reedy**

**Lectors: Cindy Anderson**

**Servers: Sarah Sagler, Steve Grover**

## FAMILY PRAYER CORNER:

**At 7:00 p.m.** Every evening 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 those who are preparing for Easter, may they have a good Lent.**

**Personal Prayer Request: A Grandparent (Living or Deceased).**



## ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ♦ Mark your calendars for our Lenten Fish Fry and Bake Sale on Friday, March 1.
- ♦ **Mark your calendar**-Free Family Fun Bingo Sunday, March 3rd 1:00-3:00. Beverages provided. Please bring snack to share.
- ♦ **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 JANUARY

SBT Income:	<b>\$ 17,333.44</b>	SMG Income:	<b>\$ 8,554.51</b>
Expenses:	<b><u>\$ 19,195.95</u></b>	Expenses:	<b><u>\$10,263.23</u></b>
Net Loss:	<b>\$ (1,862.51)</b>	Net Loss:	<b>\$ (1,708.72)</b>

## ATTENTION ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

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

**OUR VISION:** To awaken the faithful, reach the Lost, and make Church matter!

- ♦ **OCIA** Thursday evening, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:15 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. SYMBOLON 2.2: THE SACRAMENTS – EUCHARIST, Source & Summit of Christian Life.
- ♦ **ST MARY'S MASS STIPEND ACCOUNT** is in need of mass donations. Offer a mass for a loved one or as a memorial. Masses are \$10. your request can be put into an envelope and put into the collection basket or mailed to the church office. Questions? Call the church office, 608-534-6652.
- ♦ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or [ekarow@hotmail.com](mailto:ekarow@hotmail.com) or the Knights of Columbus (Greg Goltz) @ 608-865-1518.

## PASTORAL COUNCIL ITEM FOR YOU:

- + A Catholic faith reduced to rules, fragmented devotional practices, partial adherence to the truths of the faith, occasional participation in some sacraments, the repetition of doctrinal principles & bland moralizing that does not convert the life of the baptized, [will] not withstand the trials of time.  
(A summary of CELAM Bishops, Arapecida Document, 2007, #12 – you can google it).
- + The Bishops were right. Just look around. Where is everybody? It's time for us to put 1<sup>st</sup> things 1<sup>st</sup>.

## COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ **February 14 is Ash Wednesday and Lent begins.** Masses: St. Bartholomew **10:00 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.** and St. Mary's is at **6:15 p.m.**
- ♦ **Bible study** at St Bart's on February 24th from 9am to 10:30am in the church hall. Come join us and learn about the Prophets of the bible.
- ♦ **Lenten Retreat**, Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. 9:00 am through 5:30 Mass at St. Mary's. To register and for more information, text (608)484-2901, email [suzanne@dairytrain.com](mailto:suzanne@dairytrain.com), or contact Deacon Kent.
- ♦ **The Masses on Saturday, February 17th will be switched because of the retreat: St. Bartholomew's will be at 4:00 p.m. and St. Mary's will be at 5:30 p.m.**
- ♦ ***LIVING WATER!*** Sunday evening, Feb. Feb 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Teaching on "HOLINESS: Growing In Intimacy With God – Part 4, Coming to know God's Love" with Fr. Boniface Hicks, O.S.B.
- ♦ The **Knights of Columbus** monthly meeting is Tuesday, Feb. 13th @ 7 pm. in St. Mary's church basement
- ♦ **All parish ladies are invited to attend EMBRACING YOUR CALL TO HOLINESS at St. James the Greater, Eau Claire on Saturday, March 9, 2014.** This is your opportunity to hear Melanie Frie, Past President LDCCW....topic "Lovin The Church" plus Father Timothy Welles.. topic "Devotion to Mary". Complete information and registration ....please check the LDCCW website [www.ldccw.org](http://www.ldccw.org) **Early registration Feb. 15 otherwise deadline Feb. 25.** Or mail registration and payment to: Deb Sunblad, 1040Violet Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54701. Gather your friends for this wonderful opportunity to listen and enjoy this special day!
- ♦ **Lenten Regulations:** 1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday. 2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

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