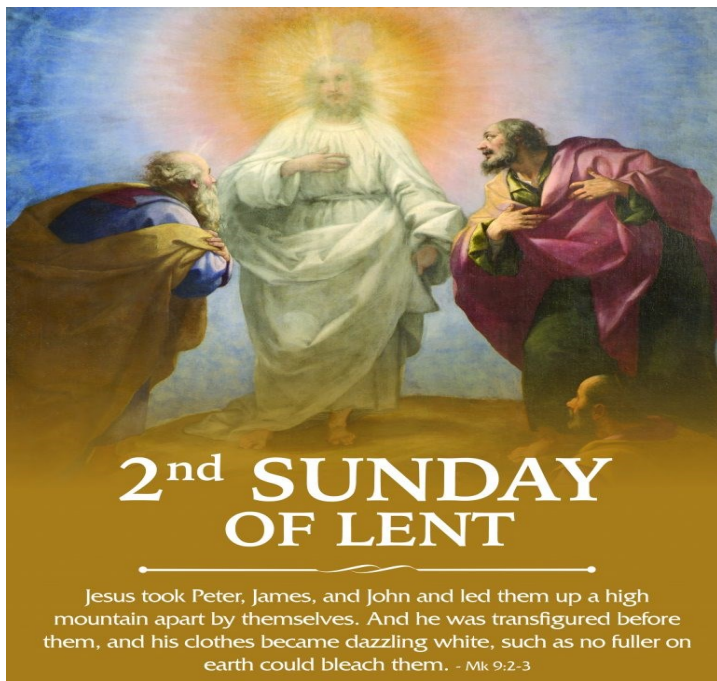




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Sunday Bulletin

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Transfiguration: The Future Glory

Today is the second Sunday of Lent. Through Jesus' transfiguration, He reveals to us the glory that would be ours in future if we remain faithful and triumph. Through this, He encourages us to be strong and courageous in our journey this season of Lent.

In the first reading, God made a promise to Abraham and blessed him: *"I will make you a great nation...I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you."* To receive these blessings Abraham effectively responded to God's call and command. In other words, he obeyed God's command by accepting his difficult mission. To claim Abraham's blessings and glory we must obey to God's will and response to his call effectively. It must make us *"leave"* our comfort zone.

In the second reading, Paul encourages us to: *"bear the hardship for the sake of the good news."* It is the grace of God that sustains us to respond fully to our call.

Today's gospel is on the Transfiguration of Christ. Through it, Christ reveals himself and his future glory to us. Most importantly, with the transfiguration, Christ reveals one of the constants of human life to us.

There is no life without death, neither joy without pain, nor regeneration without destruction. All take place at the same time. Hence, his future glory is for those who have washed themselves pure in the blood of the Lamb. It is for those who have *"suffered"* for the sake of the good news.

The transfiguration is to remind us that, if we work hard and remain faithful to God's call and command, we shall be among the triumphant church. This glory is only a glimpse of the future glory of our final destination.

So, to share in Christ's glory, we must first walk with him to Calvary. The journey is not yet over, and truly, not an easy one. However, Christ is with us. So, He encourages and tells us, *"Do not be afraid!"*. God Bless You All.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

	<u>SBT</u>	<u>SMG</u>
Envelopes	\$ 1,540.00	\$ 620.00
Plate	312.34	103.00
Camp. Hum. Dev.	20.00	0.00
Ash Wednesday	362.06	0.00
Youth Envelopes	24.25	11.00
Total Offering	\$ 2,258.65	\$ 734.00

Counters: Charlene Joyce, Joy Critzman

Intentions February 26 — March 3

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

+ Ardis Scattum

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Deceased Members of the Cory Family

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

+ Dolorous Heffner

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

+ Magdalene & Floyd Klein, Sr.

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

+ Rick Kowalewski

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

+ Dolorous Heffner

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

+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Max Lilla

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Mar. 2

ST. MARY- 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Butch Vaughn, Doreen Emerson,

Lectors: Sheila Collom

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Phil Palzkil, Volunteer

Server: John Severson

Lectors: Dan Kelleher

Communion Minister: Suzanne Lane

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY Mar. 3

ST. BARTHOLOMEW - 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: 3rd Graders

Servers: Reagan Lamberty, Brian

Lectors: 3rd Graders

Communion Minister: Anne Bagley

ST. MARY- 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Bruce Reedy, Sheryl Reedy

Lectors: Ellen Karow

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 all our parishioners that they may have a fruitful Lenten season, which may bring us redemption and joy in the Lord.

Personal Prayer Request: Your father (Living or Deceased).

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ♦ **Lenten Fish Fry and Bake Sale on Friday, March 1.** Please say **yes** if you are asked to help, better yet just **volunteer** to help. Remember to make your bake goods for the Bake Sale.
- ♦ **Children's Mass** is next Sunday, March 3 at the 8:30 a.m. We will be collecting non-perishable food items for the GET Food pantry. **Donut Sunday** follows the Mass in the church hall.
- ♦ **Mark your calendar**-Free Family Fun Bingo Sunday, March 3rd, 1:00-3:00. Beverages provided. Please bring snack to share.
- ♦ **The PCCW will again be assembling Easter baskets.** We are in need of small toys and candy to complete the baskets. Since Easter is very early this year, we are requesting donations be put in the designated box in the vestibule until March 10th. We thank you for your continued support as we bring Easter joy to children in our area.
- ♦ **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!

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

- ♦ **YOU ARE QUALIFIED** to lead the Stations of the Cross. We're looking for persons willing to answer our Lord's invitation to lead Stations this year at St. Mary's on Friday. If you feel His nudge to do so, contact Fr. Sebastian, 608-797-9355, Dcn. Kent, 608-864-0952 or the office, 608-534-6652.
- ♦ **OCIA** Thursday evening, Feb. 29th, 6:15 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. SYMBOLON 2.1: THE SACRAMENTS – Baptism & Confirmation.
- ♦ **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:

- + This Lent, live **JOY!** – **J**esus 1st, **O**thers 2nd, **Y**ourself 3rd. And **SING!**
- + St. Augustine encourages us to sing praise to God as a way to battle temptation.
- + Our Lord gives us the grace to overcome every temptation - **if** we choose to accept it.

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ **Stations of the Cross:** At St. Bartholomew's on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
- ♦ Bible study at St Bart's on March 9th from 9am to 10:30 in the church hall. Come join us and learn about the Prophets of the bible.
- ♦ **SOUP SUPPERS** will be held after Tuesday 6:00 Mass at St. Mary's. Everyone is welcome to attend. Join us for fellowship and homemade soup! This year our proceeds from the free will donation will be given to the FOOD BAGS program for students from the Galesville Elementary, GET Middle and GET High School.
- ♦ You're invited to come to **LIVING WATER!** Charismatic Prayer Meeting, Sunday evening, Feb 25th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Songs of praise, prayer for others, food & fellowship. Teaching this week from Fr. Richard Thomas's Testimony. A great Lenten pick-me-up!
- ♦ **St. Bartholomew's Lenten Fish Fry** on March 1. 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. St. Bartholomew Parish Hall, come and join us.
- ♦ 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: pancake mix & syrup, Hamburger Helper, boxed noodles, soup, canned fruit, cereal (especially non sugared varieties), personal care items. You can drop off your donations in the entryway of the church. (Checks to GET Food Pantry may be put into the collection basket.)
- ♦ **Answer the Call. Become a Knight.** Curious, wondering, got an inquiring mind? Talk to a Knight today. Get a business card or bulletin and scan the OCR code for more information or to join electronically. We're waiting to help you build a strong parish, a better community and school.
- ♦ **Potato Pancake Breakfast**, Sunday, March 3 at Holy Family Church Basement by Arcadia KC Council #1654.
- ♦ **St. Patrick's Day Luncheon**, Bake Sale & Raffle on Saturday, March 9 at St. John's in Whitehall. Check the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.
- ♦ **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 registrationplease check the LDCCW website www.ldccw.org **Registration deadline Feb. 25.** Or mail registration and payment to: Deb Sunblad, 1040 Violet Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54701.
- ♦ LDCCW Convention in La Crosse, Abby Johnson will be Speaking on April 13. Abby was a Planned Parenthood director, her story was portrayed in the film "Unplanned". Register by Mar 10 @ www.ldccw.org.

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