



**ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPPEALEAU**



**ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE**



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God's Commandment is to love

My Dear Brothers and Sisters, today, the Twenty Second Sunday invites us to rejoice in the Law of God which is fulfilled in the Sacrament of love. Hence, today's readings lead us to reflect on the best way to obey it for the sake of our own salvation.

In the first reading, Moses reminds his people of the commandment of God and urged them to be steadfast to it in order to be successful in life. Importantly, he warned them not to add or remove from it. But they made life practically and extremely difficult for the people of God.

So, in today's gospel, Jesus confronted the Pharisees because of their hypocrisy. They never observed the law that they multiplied for their people. This is a dangerous way of life that we must be careful of. We must not live a hypocritical life, or even make life difficult for others.

The malicious intentions, the hatred, pride, the corrupt tendencies we harbor in our heart are really what define and make us who we are. They are the vices that make us bad. We must evict them before they rock our spiritual boat. They are the real and hidden enemies that we must fight and defeat daily. The quality of our life is measured by the quality of our heart and mind. If our mind and heart are infected and sick, our body would be sick a thousand times more, even without one knowing it.

The best way to be faithful to God's command is to allow our hearts to be transformed by it. It must motivate us to love others, and to avoid evil. It must evoke true repentance and a sincere will to forgive others. It must keep us firm in faith. Above all, it must move us to pursue only what is good, just, noble and holy.

Finally, as St. James admonishes us in the second reading, we must let the Christianity find expressions in the way we live, love and treat one another.

God Bless You All.

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**Counters: Tuesday Charlene Joyce, Kathy Kujak**

**Intentions  
September 2 – September 8**

**Monday: NO MASS**

**Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. St. Mary**  
*Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.*

+ Ross Jacobson

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

+ Jerry Stellflug

**Thursday: 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew**  
*Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.*

+ Louis Jessesky

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

+ Don Kowalewski

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

+ Jerry Emerson & Leif Erickson

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

+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Jim Walske (14th Anniversary of Death)

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

All the People of Our Parishes

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Sept. 7**

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

**Ushers: Sandy Salsman, Kathy Kujak**

**Lector: Tom Ladwig**

**Comm. Min: Mary Ladwig**

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

**Ushers: Greg Goltz, Volunteer**

**Lector: Suzanne Lane**

**Servers: John Severson**

**Comm. Min: Suzanne Lane**

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, Sept. 8**

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

**Ushers: Jim Scherr, Craig Boyer**

**Lector: Anne Bagley**

**Servers: Nolan Lilla, Chloe Lilla**

**Communion Minister: Darlene Schlessor**

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

**Ushers: Bruce Reedy, Sheryl Reedy**

**Lector: Ellen Karow**

**Servers: Steve Grover, Sarah Sagler**

**Comm. Min: Ellen Karow**

**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: **Pray for all children that they may have a good school year.**

**Personal Request: Pray for a teacher or former teacher.**

## ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ◆ Donut Sunday is next Sunday, September 7th in the church hall following Mass. Please come down and visit with your fellow parishioners and have donuts and coffee. It is always good to see you.
- ◆ **We are in need of a Religious Education Teacher** (9th grade), this could be a couple, a parent or a college student who maybe interested. And we need, 3 helpers (4th, 7th, 8th and 9th grades) for this coming year. Please prayerful consider this ministry. Call the office if you are interested, 608-534-6652 or Mike Dunn, CRE, 608-484-2813.
- ◆ **PCCW** meeting on Tuesday, September 10th at 6:30 in the church hall.
- ◆ **Pastoral Council** meeting on Thursday, September 12th at 4:00 p.m. in the rectory.
- ◆ Fall Festival Raffle Tickets are ready to pickup in the back of church.
- ◆ **Religious Education Classes** will begin on September 18. Registration forms will be sent out soon.
- ◆ **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!

- ◆ **PARENTS MEETING MOVED** to Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> following start-of-year Mass. Details to follow. Registration forms will be sent out soon.
- ◆ **MUM SALE AT ST. MARY'S** Thank you to the helpers who hauled, set up and sold the mums for our PCCW, last weekend. A big thank you to those that purchased them as well!
- ◆ **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** The rosary rally at St. Mary's will be outside in front of the church (inside if weather is not cooperative) at 4:45 Saturday, October 12th.
- ◆ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or [ekarow@hotmail.com](mailto:ekarow@hotmail.com)

### THE HOLY SPIRIT & YOU:

- + Will you set aside 10 minutes 3 times this week to pray "Come Holy Spirit" and then quietly listen for him?
- + Take note of the new thoughts that come to your mind during this time. Which ones point you towards Jesus?

## COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ◆ **On the 1st Friday's of the month** Father is willing to bring communion to the homebound. Please call the office, 608-534-6652, and let us know if you are homebound and would like to receive communion.
- ◆ **LIVING WATER!** prayer meeting, Sunday evening, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following: "SHORT COURSE IN EVANGELIZATION, Session 2 of 4 - Where People Are" with Marcel LeJeune of Transformed Catholic. When we evangelize, we need to know where someone is spiritually. We need to deeply understand the cultural waters they are swimming in. We need to meet them where they are, so we can take them somewhere better. Without this knowledge, we don't know what they might need and may strike out in our attempts to evangelize them.
- ◆ **BIBLE STUDY: Jesus & the End times, Part 4 of 4, postponed** until next week.
- ◆ **The La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women** Invites all ladies to the Leadership Conference at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Catholic Church, Richland Center, WI on Saturday, Sept. 21 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration LDCCW to Janet Amundson by Sept. 14.
- ◆ **St. John's Catholic Church, Whitehall** is having a Pillow Cleaning Service on Monday, Sept. 16 from 6-8 p.m. and Tuesday, Sept. 17 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- ◆ **St. John's the Apostle Parish, Whitehall** is hosting the Fall Festival on Sunday, Sept. 22. Mass at 10:15 a.m. Chicken & Meatball Dinner, Serving from 11 a.m. to 1:30 or until gone. Adults \$15, Children 6-12 \$10, 5 years & under Free. Bingo starts at noon in the church shed.
- ◆ **Attend Rural Life Day | Sept. 18, from 10 AM-2 PM | Schmidt Family Farm in Lone Rock:** All are invited to Join hundreds of the faithful for the 43rd Annual Rural Life Day at the Schmidt Family Farm on Wednesday, Sept. 18 from 10 AM-2 PM at 29281 Fairview Rd. in Lone Rock. Bishop Battersby will celebrate Mass at 10 AM, after which he will present awards recognizing parishioners and farm families, and bless animals, crops and machinery. Lunch will be served. Join us as we joyfully thank God for the food that sustains our lives, the land on which it is grown, and the dedicated families who farm it. Learn more at [diolc.org/rural-life](http://diolc.org/rural-life).

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Next meeting is on  
**Tuesday, Sept. 10.**



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