



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPEALEAU

ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



# Sunday Bulletin October 13, 2024 Year B

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#### Christ is our True Wisdom

My Dear Brothers and sisters, the twenty-eight Sunday of ordinary time, invites us to reflect that Christ is our true Wisdom and Word of God and Christ is sufficient for our life.

The first reading today personalizes Wisdom. She is the most precious of all pearls. She is God himself. All good things come from and must return to Him. Nothing can be compared with Her. Nothing has value without Her. Whoever possesses her has everything. Hence, we must seek wisdom more than material wealth.

The second reading describes the word of God as: "a double-edged sword that cuts across the bones." Through this, it simply reminds us that the word of God is the ultimate and irresistible power through which God reaches and enriches us. The word of God conquers and transforms every heart that humbly receives it.

Today's gospel is very interesting. It highlights the fact that, a truly rich person is one who possesses true Wisdom and not just material wealth alone. It also, reminds us of how material wealth could be a grave obstacle to obtaining true Wisdom.

The rich man in today's gospel came to justify himself, and to parade his religious piety. Indeed, Jesus appreciated his effort. However, Christ knew that something was really lacking in him. Christ diagnosed him of only problem, *attachment* to his wealth. He did all things well but lacked the wisdom to understand that the key to eternal life was detachment from this world.

Therefore, we must not allow material wealth to become an obstacle between us and eternal life. Today, Christ teaches us that attachment to wealth is the easiest way to forsake God. It makes our spiritual journey very heavy, difficult, and almost impossible.

So, to be truly wise in our dealings with the wealth of this world, we must seek the wisdom and understanding that comes from God. God Bless you all!

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## Intentions October 14 — October 20

**Monday:** NO MASS

+ Bill & Millie Schwertel

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. St. Mary

Mary Ladwig Funeral

6:00 p.m. St. Mary

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Deceased Members of the Pientok Family

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

Marie Hjelsand

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

+ Jim Walske

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

+ Betty Knepper

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

+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

Ruth Severson

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

All the People of Our Parishes

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

+ Jim & Betty Cee

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Oct. 19

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Sandy Salsman, Volunteer

**Lector: Sheila Collom** 

Comm. Min: Sandy Salsman

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Phil Palzkil, Volunteer

Lector: Doreen Backler Servers: John Severson

Comm. Min: Doreen Backler

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, Oct. 20

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Brian Brenengen, James Kinscher

**Lector: Anne Bagley** 

Servers: Austin Bork, Garrett Bork

**Communion Minister: Darlene Schlesser** 

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

**Ushers: Bruce Reedy, Sheryl Reedy** 

**Lector: Cindy Anderson** 

Servers: Sarah Sagler, Steve Grover

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 those who are suffering and for those who have lost their lives from the hurricanes.

Personal Prayer Request: For your doctor.

#### ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- Our Fall Festival is today, October 13. New Breakfast Brunch from 8:00 a.m.to 11:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Serving Egg Bake, Pancakes, French Toast Sticks, Hashbrown Patties, Ham, Pork Links, Fruit, Coffee, Milk and Juice. Adults: \$12; 5-12: \$8 and 4 and under Free. There will be a Bake Sale, Kids Games, Basket Raffle and Big Ticket Raffle. Drawings at 11:45.
- More Workers Needed for Funeral Lunches. Both men and women are needed! Work only the funerals you can. Work Full-shifts or Half-shifts. No cooking! Food is catered. Parishioners provide pans of bars. Full-shift is 9:30 to 2:30 ish. Half-shift is 9:30-12:00 is food prep or 12:00-3:00 is cleanup. Please call or text Mary Leavitt to get on her Workers Call List, 608-397-9962. Thank you!
- 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!

- ◆ PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, immediately following Mass, in the Lower-Room (the basement).
- St. Mary's Finance Council will meet Tuesday, October 22 @ 6:30 in the rectory.
- St. Mary's PCCW will meet Tuesday, October 29 @ 6:30 in the church basement.
- Powerwasher missing from St. Mary's garage, if you have borrowed it, please return it.
- NEED GOD'S HELP? Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or <a href="mailto:ekarow@hotmail.com">ekarow@hotmail.com</a> or the Knights of Columbus (Greg Goltz) @ 608-865-1518.

#### THE HOLY SPIRIT & YOU:

What is a characteristic of the baptism in the Holy Spirit?

- + Though deeply personal, this new relationship with Jesus & the Holy Spirit is by no means private.
- + He also nudges one to share this new dimension of life together with others who've experienced this.

#### **COMMUNICATION TO ALL**

- World Mission Sunday is October 20th. This is not just another Sunday; it is a powerful reminder of our call to be missionaries. There will be a second collection taken up on this day. Please be generous.
- The Rosary will be said during the month of October at 3:00 p.m. before the Grotto at St. Bartholomew's.
- ◆ *LIVING WATER!* prayer meeting, Sunday evening, October 13<sup>h</sup>, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following: "THE HOLY SPIRIT Fuel for Community, Part 1" with Pete Burak. (24:53 minutes).
- Bible Study: Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life. If you would like to join us, please contact Suzanne Lane 608-484-2901(text) or 608-539-2075 (home) to order your books. There are two books for \$30. The next class will be Saturday, October 19th, at 9:00 a.m. in the church hall for a wonderful study about Jesus.
- St. Bartholomew & St. Mary's PCCW members are invited to Fall Spirituality Day at St. Lawrence in Alma at 10:30 AM, on Saturday, October 26. The speaker will be Cindy Sjolander who will speak about the Casa Hogar Optical Mission. Note: there is more information in the bulletin about this mission.
- WANTED: YOUR OLD EYEGLASSES. A mission that the PCCW's of both churches support is the Casa Hogar Optical Mission. We are collecting old prescription, readers and sunglasses, as well as cases for glasses. These glasses are used to provide people in Peru with much needed eyewear. Volunteer doctors travel to South America to serve people who need eye care. St. Mary's and St. Bartholomew both have boxes for your donations in the entrance of the church.
- ♦ CHURCH ON FIRE! at the Cathedral in La Crosse with Bart Schucths of the John Paul Healing Institute. Saturday, Oct 19, (9:30 AM to 3:30 PM, check-in at 9) is the Day of Equipping where Bart teaches what the Church believes about the Holy Spirit from the Catechism and Bible. This will be a day of encounter with the Holy Spirit and will enliven anyone's faith to be sent out on mission. Sessions Include: Inspiration & Vision, Fire & Fullness of Confirmation, Hearing from God, Steps for praying for Healing. Cost is \$25 and includes lunch and snacks. For more information or to register, visit www.cathedralsjworkman.org/church-on-fire-mission/.
- INTERESTED? If you'd be interested in reading the book "Be Healed" by Dr. Bob Schucths, John Paul II Healing Center, and its application to your life, contact Dcn. Kent. He has a copy for you, no cost to you.
- Catholic Daughters of America Annual Appeal for Habitat for Humanity. They will have Gummy Bears for a donation on October 26 & 27, outside of church.

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