



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPPEALEAU



ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE

Presentation



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Sunday Bulletin

February 2, 2025

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FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION

Luke emphasizes that the Holy Family was obedient to the Old Covenant law. Jesus is not a hippie rebel who overthrows all authority. Obedience is a virtue: He & His family always act in accordance with the Scriptures & God's law.

The rituals described here are those indicated for the purification of the mother after childbirth. This is not an indication that the Blessed Mother bore Jesus in the typical way of childbirth. Just as Jesus had no reason to be baptized since He had no sin, yet submitted to John's baptism; so too, the Blessed Mother, while not in need of purification, humbly submitted to the ritual out of solidarity with all women.

So, what message are we to take away from the life of the Holy Family as recorded in this Gospel?

An over-arching theme is one of the importance of obedience & humility. Although the special situation & status of the Holy Family could have been used by Joseph & Mary to excuse themselves from religious obligations, they nonetheless humble themselves to fulfill all the proper regulations of the Old Covenant & thereby express solidarity with the rest of the people of Israel, who had to perform these rituals as a legacy of penance for the rebelliousness of their ancestors, going back to the great debacle of the Golden Calf.

Joseph & Mary also put a priority on worship. One of their first acts as a young family is to bring the child Jesus & "present" Him before the Lord. By humbling themselves in obedience & placing a priority on worship, the Holy Family put themselves in a position to receive beautiful blessings & insight from Simeon & Anna, who were waiting for them.

God continues to wait for us in the place of worship. When we attend Mass we encounter a God who has been "waiting for us" to show up, ready with a blessing to bestow on us. This is by no means sentimental, because sufferings are going to come, & all of us will share in the passion of Christ. Nonetheless, God waits for us with the encouragement we need, if we show up & make our holy appointments—be that our weekly Mass obligation, our daily prayer time, or other obligations of prayer & worship that we commit to—with a spirit of obedience & humility.

God bless!
Dcn. Kent

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

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Envelopes	\$1,577.00	\$ 1,237.00
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Electronic Dep.	0.00	0.00
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Total Offering	\$ 1,748.00	\$ 1,521.63

Counters: Charlene Joyce, Joy Critzman

Intention February 3 — February 9

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: No Mass

Wednesday: No Mass

Thursday: No Mass

Friday: No Mass

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

+ Anita Lilla

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

+ Tom Kelleher

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

+ George Ritchman

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

+ Jim & Debbie Cee

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Feb. 8

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Dave Mueller, Volunteer

Lector: Becky Harris

Comm. Min: Becky Harris

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Phil Palzkil, Volunteer

Lector: Greg Goltz

Servers: John Severson

Comm. Min: Suzanne Lane

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, Feb. 9

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Bruce Brenengen, Kris Krett

Lector: Sara Hein

Servers: Brian, Annalise

Communion Minister: Darlene Schlessler

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Tim Babros, Deb Babros

Lector: Cindy Anderson

Servers: Sarah Sagler, Steve Grover

Comm. Min: Cindy Anderson

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 those who were killed in the plane crash and their families.

Personal Prayer Request: For your Mother (Living or Deceased).

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ◆ **Donut Sunday:** Please join in the church after Mass today. We look forward to seeing you.
- ◆ **PCCW** meeting on Tuesday, February 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall.
- ◆ **Pastoral Council** meeting on Thursday, February 20 at 4:00 p.m. in the rectory.
- ◆ **PCCW Bingo** - Sunday, March 9th 1-3:30pm in the church hall. FREE to play. Cash and other "fabulous" prizes will be available. Beverages will be provided. Please bring a snack to share. Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ The Year end Financial Report is on the table in the vestibule.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

SBT Income:	\$ 15,446.99	SMG Income:	\$ 6,499.82
Expenses:	\$ 17,476.95	Expenses:	\$ 9,914.62
Net Loss	\$ (2,029.96)	Net Loss	\$(3,414.80)

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!

- ◆ Finance council will meet Tuesday, February 18th at 6:30 in the rectory.
- ◆ St. Mary's PCCW will meet Tuesday, February 25th in the church basement at 6:30.
- ◆ **FINDING NEW LIFE IN THE SPIRIT** Seminar, Session 3 of 7, "The New Life", Saturday, February 2nd, 10:30-11:45 AM, St. Mary's Rectory.
- ◆ Need God's Help? Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 608-582-2688 or ekarow@hotmail.com or the Knights of Columbus (Greg Goltz) @ 608-865-1518.
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THE HOLY SPIRIT & YOU

"The gift of God is the Holy Spirit." (Quote from St. Augustine).

- ◆ **PRAYER MINISTRY:** Jesus promised that "those who believe in Me will lay their hands on the sick & they will recover." A prayer team will be available immediately following Sunday Mass to pray for anyone who would like prayer for healing.

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ◆ Please be generous in this week's second collection for **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. In the United States, over 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.
- ◆ Please join us for a wonderful bible study - **Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John**. This is an eight (8) week study. We will be meeting every other Saturday from 9am to 10:30am in the church hall. Please join us on February 8th for our first class, changed from February 1st. There is a workbook with this class. The cost of the book is \$23.00. Please contact Suzanne Lane to purchase your book for this class. (608-484-2901 cell and text)
- ◆ **LIVING WATER!** prayer meeting, Sunday evening, January 26th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following the meeting: "My Story", the testimony of Dr. Bob Sawyer, retired surgeon and co-founder of Miracle Healing Ministry, recorded on-location at the Holy Spirit 2024 National Leaders and Ministries Conference, St. Paul, MN.
- ◆ World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is this weekend. Keep them in your prayers.
- ◆ Ladies you are invited to attend a Catholic Women's Retreat "**Embracing Your Call to Holiness**" at St. James the Greater Parish, Eau Claire on Saturday, March 8. Speakers: Marge Fenelon, Nationally known speaker and journalist and Christine Warloski, St. James the Greater Pastoral Associate. Registration: LDCCW website or contact Janet Amundson 608-534-6541. Early Registration \$25 by Feb. 15 save \$10 otherwise. Registration by Feb. 25 \$35. Great day of camaraderie and prayer!

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