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THE BLESSINGS OF BAPTISM

In today's Gospel we can reflect on both the Lord's Baptism & our own. When He enters the water, He makes holy that which will baptize us, & as members of His Body, we go down with Him. In doing so He acquires gifts to give to us.

Let's take a look at today's Gospel in three stages:

The Brotherhood of Baptism – Why is John puzzled by Jesus' request for baptism? Because John's baptism was one of repentance for sin, but Jesus had no sin. So, why did Jesus ask to be baptized? Because He chose to identify with sinners. He's not ashamed of us.

The Fulfillment of Baptism – Jesus said to John, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Biblically, the word *righteousness* refers to God's faithfulness to His promises. Here Jesus means His Baptism would be the sign of the fulfillment of God's promise of salvation. As God saved His people from slavery through the Red Sea's waters, He now fulfills in Christ, saving us from slavery to sin through Baptism's waters.

The Four Gifts of Baptism – Scripture states we are members of Christ's body, so when Jesus goes down into the water & comes up out of it (symbolizing His & our death & resurrection) we go with Him. In doing so, He acquires these gifts on our behalf:

- *Access – the heavens are opened.* The heavens and paradise had been closed to us after Original Sin, but with Jesus' Baptism they are opened.
- *Anointing – the Spirit of God descends.* Jesus acquires the gift of the Holy Spirit for us. In Baptism we're not just washed of sins; we also become temples of the Holy Spirit.
- *Acknowledgment – this is my beloved Son.* Jesus receives this acknowledgment from His Father & acquires this gift for us. In Baptism we become children of God.
- *Approval – I am well pleased.* Jesus had always pleased His Father. Now He acquires this gift for us too. In Baptism we receive sanctifying grace, making us holy & pleasing to God.

In His Baptism, Jesus identifies Himself with us & fulfills God's righteousness by going into the water to get those gifts, which were always His, for us.

God is good, all the time. Amen!

God bless! Dcn. Kent

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Total Offering	\$ 2,440.00	\$ 2,156.55

Counters: Charlene Joyce, Kathy Kujak

Intention January 13 – January 19

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: No Mass

Wednesday: No Mass

Thursday: No Mass

Friday: No Mass

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

+ Fr. Edmund Doerre

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

+ Paul & Anne Dapogny

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

+ Dan Mack

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

+ Deceased Members of the Blohowiak Family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Jan. 18

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Dave Mueller, Kathy Kujak

Lector: Theresa Haines

Comm. Min: Theresa Haines

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Greg Goltz, Volunteer

Lector: Greg Heinz

Servers: John Severson

Comm. Min: Doreen Backler

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, Jan. 19

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Jim Scherr, Ayden Aschenbrener

Lector: Joe Mack

Servers: Chloe Lilla, Nolan Lilla

Communion Minister: Darlene Schlessler

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Tim Babros, Deb Babros

Lector: Nancy Wagner

Servers: Sarah Sagler, Steve Grover

Comm. Min: Nancy Wagner

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 are ill, especially those of our parishes.**

Personal Prayer Request: For a friend.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ◆ **PCCW next meeting** is scheduled for Jan. 27th, changed from Jan. 20th, at 6:30 p.m. at the church hall.
- ◆ **New Altar Servers:** On Jan. 26th after Mass we will be having an altar servers practice, for those who are interested in the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades.
- ◆ The Pastoral Council was approached about having an early Mass during the week. We are willing to try a 6:30 a.m. Mass on Wednesdays starting during Lent. Please call the office if you are interested, 608-534-6652.
- ◆ We need more Saturday ushers, lectors and communion ministers. Sunday morning we could have more lectors, communion ministers and choir members. Call the office, 608-534-6652.
- ◆ A coat was mistakenly taken from the Ecumenical Gathering in December. The coat was a black puffy coat with gloves in the pocket. There is a coat in the church hall that was left. If you have this coat please bring it to the office and I will help get yours and return the coat to its owner. 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!

- ◆ **Congratulations to Adeline Rose Marie Peregrin**, daughter of Tyler & Hallie Peregrin who was baptized last Saturday.
- ◆ **FINDING NEW LIFE IN THE SPIRIT** Seminar, beginning January 18th, 10:30-11:45 AM, St. Mary's Rectory. Here's an opportunity to renew the graces of your Confirmation & reinvigorate your faith by deepening your personal relationship with Jesus Christ & the Holy Spirit. Come & See! Seven mornings (Jan. 18th—March 1st). If interested, contact Dcn. Kent for more details.
- ◆ **PLEASE PRAY FOR** a keyboard accompanist for Saturday evening Masses. If interested, call or text Joseph Hellerude, 608.484.0278.
- ◆ 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.

THE HOLY SPIRIT & YOU. (St. John Paul II).

+ I also say to you: 'Open yourselves with docility to the gifts of the Holy Spirit!

+ Receive with gratitude and obedience the charisms that the Spirit does not cease to offer!

+ Do not forget that all charisms are given for the common good, that is, for the benefit of the whole Church!'

- ◆ **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

- ◆ **Mass Intentions are needed, especially at St. Mary's.** Please remember your dearly departed and have a Mass said for them. The stipend for a Mass is \$20.00.
- ◆ **Bible Study: Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life.** The next class will be Saturday, January 18th, at 9:00am in the church hall for a wonderful study about Jesus.
- ◆ **LIVING WATER!** prayer meeting, Sunday evening, January 12th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following the meeting: "Wrap Yourself in Joy" with Karen Dwyer & Ralph Martin.
- ◆ **"Behold: Prayer of the Saints" Young Adult Retreat | Jan. 25, 2025 | Blessed Sacrament Church, La Crosse:** This retreat is for young adults aged 18-25 and will be held on January 25, 2025, from 9 am-5 pm at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in La Crosse. The cost is \$25 per person and includes a warm meal. Register at tinyurl.com/beholdprayer.

DIocese OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE:

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its [policies and procedures](#), seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the [diocesan website](#). If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.

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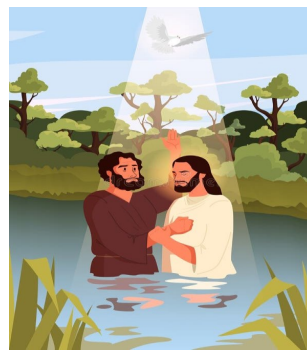
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