



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPPEALEAU



ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Sunday
Bulletin
February 9, 2025
Year C**

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PUT OUT INTO THE DEEP

After He had finished speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into deep water & lower your nets for a catch."
 "Put out into deep water..." There is great meaning to this little line.

Note that the Apostles had not caught a thing all night. They were most likely quite disappointed & were not all that ready to fish some more. But Jesus directs Simon to do so, & he does it. The result is that they caught more fish than they thought they could handle.

The one piece of symbolic meaning we should not miss is that Jesus tells Simon to put out into the "deep" water. What does that mean?

It's not only about the physical miracle of catching fish; rather, it's much more about the mission of evangelizing souls, of accomplishing the mission of God. The symbolism of putting out into deep water tells us that we must be all in & fully committed to Jesus if we are to do His will—to evangelize & spread the Word of God. When we were baptized, we were baptized into Jesus—that includes into His mission.

When we listen to God & act on His word, committing ourselves to His will in a radical & deep way, He will produce an abundant catch of souls through us. This "catch" will come in an unexpected way at an unexpected time & will clearly be the work of God. What's another way of spelling Faith? R-I-S-K. If we don't risk going into the deep, we are, in fact, saying to God, "I don't trust You." We'll never experience the great love & power of God in our lives.

Think about what would have happened if Simon would have laughed & told Jesus, "Sorry, Lord, I'm done fishing for the day. Maybe tomorrow." If Simon had acted this way he would never have been blessed with this abundant catch. The same is true with us. If we fail to listen to the voice of God in our lives, & fail to heed His radical commands, we will not be used in the way He desires to use us.

Are you willing, today, now, to act upon the voice of our Savior? Are you willing to say "Yes" to Him in all things? Are you willing to radically follow the direction He gives? If so, you also will be amazed at what He does in your life

God bless!
 Dcn. Kent

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Total Offering	\$ 2,870.70	\$ 1,489.00

Counters: Anne Bagley, Kathy Kujak

**Intention
 February 10 — February 16**

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: No Mass

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

+ Deceased Members of the Schank Family

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

+ Joseph & Helen Jaszewski

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

+ Jerry & Bea Stellpflug

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

+ Pastor's Intention

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

+ Dolorous Heffner

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

All the People of Our Parishes

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

+ Jim Jeffrey Johnson

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Feb. 15

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: LaVonne Peterson, Kathy Kujak

Lector: Theresa Haines

Comm. Min: Theresa Haines

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Greg Goltz, Volunteer

Lector: Doreen Backler

Servers: John Severson

Comm. Min: Doreen Backler

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, Feb. 16

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Jason Hilton, Carson Christianson

Lector: Bonnie Hicks

Servers: Jordan Guenther, Zak Guenther

Communion Minister: Joe Plunger

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Steve Grover, Justin Sagler

Lector: Nancy Wagner

Servers: Sarah Sagler

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 Fr. Sebastian's safe trip back to Trempealeau.

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

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ◆ 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.

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. We are in need of a co-chair for one of our sets. Would you consider signing up? Questions about this position? Call Becky @ 608-484-0630.
- ◆ **Soup suppers** will again be held during lent on Tuesday's after the 6:00 Mass. Members are asked to sign up on the sheets in the entry of the church to help or bring needed items.
- ◆ **FINDING NEW LIFE IN THE SPIRIT** Seminar, Session 4 of 7, "Receiving God's Gift ", Saturday, February 15th, 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 (Quote from Pope Francis):

- + "The Holy Spirit is the soul, the lifeblood of the Church and of every Christian. ...
- + He gifts us with wisdom, which is seeing with God's eyes, listening with God's ears, loving with God's heart, judging things with God's judgment. ...
- + We can all have this. We just have to ask (and keep on asking) the Holy Spirit."

- ◆ **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

- ◆ Thank you to all who donated to the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. For more information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.
- ◆ **Knights of Columbus** meeting on Tuesday, February 11, at 7:00 p.m. in St. Mary's church basement.
- ◆ It's not too late to 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 15th for our second class. 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, February 9th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following the meeting: "Breaking the Father Wound Cycle" with Peter Herbeck, Vice President of Renewal Ministries.
- ◆ **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. 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!

Diocesan Annual Appeal

	<u>Target:</u>	<u>Pledged:</u>	<u>Under:</u>	<u>Over:</u>	<u>% Reached</u>
SBT:	\$23,555.00	\$28,025.00		\$4,470.00	119%
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