



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPPEALEAU



ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



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Lead us not into Temptation

On This first Sunday of Lent the readings with hopeful and joyful notes bring the concepts like faith, salvation and victory over sin.

The first reading tells us how God delivered His chosen people Israel from bondage in the land of Egypt which reminds us of our own salvific journey.

The second reading presents another dimension to this journey towards salvation. It presents faith as a necessary tool which must be manifested through our confessions. Without faith, it will be practically impossible to reach our destination.

The Gospel reading explains how Jesus our Lord was tempted by the devil. It is important to note that the tempter is always looking for a point of contact or weakness. This was why, once he realized that Christ was very hungry, he felt it was an opportunity to use Him.

However, the good news is that the devil was wrong, because Christ did not give him the chance to use Him. Hence, the devil cannot succeed with us too if we do not give him the chance in our lives.

We must not give the devil any chance this season and in our entire lifetime. Therefore, let us close all the doors in our life during this journey by wearing the sign: "No Vacancy Here!". The temptation of Christ teaches us that the hunger and thirst for sin, cheap popularity, vain glory, pride, and selfishness are obstacles to our spiritual growth, victory, and of course, to our salvation.

Our weapons this season must include a very strong faith in God, prayer, uprightness, good works, and the word of God. Because we do not fight against flesh and blood but against the powers of this dark age and the spiritual forces of evil.

Therefore, trusting in the arm of our own flesh will not help us. This is because it might fail us. But through our Lord Jesus Christ, we can win any forces of evil in our life. Wishing You All a Holy Season of Lent. God Bless.

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Counters: Judy Kowalewski, Lori Mahoney

**Intention
March 10 – March 16**

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

* Living & Deceased Members of St. Bart's PCCW

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. St. Mary

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

Donald Woychik

Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. St. Bartholomew

+ Theresa Stanislawski new time 6:30 a.m.

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

+ Tom Kelleher

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

+ Dee Hare

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

Pastor's Intention

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

+ Charlotte Fugina

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

All the People of Our Parishes

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

+ Deceased Members of the Peterson Family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Mar. 15

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

**Ushers: LaVonne Peterson, Kathy Kujak
Lector: Becky Harris**

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

**Ushers: Greg Goltz, Volunteer
Lector: Doreen Backler
Servers: John Severson**

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, Mar. 16

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

**Ushers: John Giemza, Carter Giemza
Lector: Bonnie Hicks
Servers: Madalyn Giemza, Jaylen Hilton**

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

**Ushers: Volunteers
Lector: Sheila Collom
Servers: Sarah Sagler, Steve Grover**

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 Pope Francis that he will recover from his illness.**

Personal Prayer Request: For someone who is not worshipping with others at a weekend Mass.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ◆ **Thank you, Roger Amundson** for your years of serving on our Pastoral Council.
- ◆ **PCCW Bingo** - Sunday, today, 1-3:30 pm 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.
- ◆ **Finance Committee** meeting on Monday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m., in the rectory.
- ◆ **HELPING HANDS SCHOLARSHIP:** If you are a graduating HS Senior and you/your parents are members of St Bartholomew Parish you qualify for the PCCW Helping Hands Scholarship. This reward is to help you with books and tuition if you choose to continue your education to a school of your choice. The dollar amount is TBD, with a minimum amount of \$500.00. Applications can be picked up in the vestibule of the church or at the parish office. The completed and signed application must be returned to the parish office by April 1st. Late applications will not be accepted. Questions directed to Kay Richtman 507-459-4115.
- ◆ **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.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

SBT Income:	\$ 17,162.34	SMG Income:	\$ 7,574.04
Expenses:	<u>\$ 19,694.72</u>	Expenses:	<u>\$ 9,952.52</u>
Net Loss	\$ (2,532.38)	Net Loss	<u>\$(2,378.48)</u>

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!

- ◆ 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 (Fr. Mathias Thelen, co-founder of Encounter Ministries)

+ "The charisms of the Holy Spirit are the high-tech tools of God's love."

- ◆ **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

- ◆ **Stations of the Cross:** St. Bartholomew's on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. and St. Mary's on Fridays at 6:00 pm.
- ◆ Join us for bible study - **Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John.** We will be meeting every other Saturday from 9am to 10:30am in the church hall. Please join us on **March 15th for 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, March 9th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. . Following the meeting: "Fr. Mathias Thelen: Miracles, Deliverance & the Holy Spirit in the Catholic Church, Part 2" with Fr. Thelen, pastor of St. Patrick's parish, New Brighton MI, and co-founder of Encounter Ministries.
- ◆ **SOUP SUPPERS** begin March 11 immediately after 6:00 mass at St. Mary's. All are welcome. A free-will donation is asked. This year our proceeds will be divided between two groups. GET School students whose lunch accounts are unpaid AND the Project Milk campaign for Casa Hogar in Peru. See the insert in the bulletin with more information. Donations to these missions may also be put into the collection basket with an envelope marked St. Mary's PCCW.
- ◆ **St. Patrick's Day Luncheon** at St. John's Church, Whitehall. Saturday, March 15 serving noon to 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ **St. Bridget's Parish, Ettrick** is having St. Patrick's Day Dinner. Sunday, March 16 serving 11-1:30.
- ◆ **Potato Pancake Breakfast** at Holy Family Catholic School Gym in Arcadia. Sunday, March 16, 8-noon.
- ◆ **Guardian Angel Parish,** Black River Falls is having a Fish Fry on Friday, March 21, 4-7.
- ◆ **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,** Holmen is having a Lenten Eucharist Study on Mondays in March 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st from 6:00-7:00 p.m. No cost and materials are provided.
- ◆ Please check the flyer on the bulletin boards for the last 5 items on the bulletin.

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