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ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE



Sunday Bulletin

April 20, 2025

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The Empty Tomb

My Dear Brothers and Sisters, Today, we celebrate the victory of Jesus' Resurrection. **The Resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian Faith**, for it proves that Jesus is God. That is why St. Paul writes: *"If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your Faith is in vain. "Jesus is Lord; He is risen!"* was the central theme of the preaching of the Apostles.

Easter gives assurance of our own resurrection. Christ will raise us up on the last day. In that (Easter Vigil) darkness, a fire is lit. We know that tomb will be empty and remain empty forever as a sign that our lives will not really end, but only be transformed.

We see the fulfillment of Christ's promise on the empty cross and in the empty tomb. The angel said to the women at Jesus' tomb: *"Why are you looking among the dead for One Who is alive? He is not here but has Risen.* The real proof, however, is not the empty tomb but the lives of believers filled with His Spirit today.

Proclamation and witness-bearing are the main themes of today's readings. St. Paul, bearing witness to his conversion experience and Faith in the risen Lord. Today's Gospel explains the empty-tomb Resurrection experiences of Mary Magdalene, Peter, and John. Mary Magdalene proclaims her personal experience, *"I have seen the Lord"*.

Jesus' Resurrection confirms the divinity of Jesus. By His death, Christ liberates us from sin; by His Resurrection, He opens for us the way to a new life". Easter is not just one Sunday. Easter is a way of life.

Easter gives us the Good News that we are a "Resurrection people." That means no tombs can hold us down any longer, not the tombs of despair, discouragement, doubt, or death itself. Instead, we are expected to live a joyful and peaceful life. ***He has Risen, Have faith in Him. And He will always be there for us!*** Have a Blessed and Happy Easter!

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Counters: Tues. Monica Bentzen, Jamie Stetzer

**Intention
April 21 — April 27**

Monday: NO MASS

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Elaine Kopp

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

+ Anita Lilla

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

+ Mark & Floyd Klein, Jr.

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

+ Bill Schuth

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

All the People of Our Parishes

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

+ Ernest & Nathalie Dapogny

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

Our First Communicants

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

+ Jai Kieltyka

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, April 26

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: LaVonne Peterson, Volunteer

Lector: Theresa Haines

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Phil Palzkil, Volunteer

Lector: Doreen Backler

Servers: John Severson

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, April 27

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Tony Suchls, Chaes Suchla

Lectors: Ayden Snyder, Braylin Duda

Servers: Brian, Wyatt Rademacher

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Steve Grover, Justin Sagler

Lector: Nancy Wagner

Servers: Sarah Sagler

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 that everyone may believe in Jesus and that with his resurrection we may all come to new life.**

Personal Prayer Request: For a deceased relative.



ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ◆ A huge thank you from the PCCW to all who provided baskets and those who patronized our Basket Raffle at the Knights of Columbus recent Fish Fry. We gained \$460 from this raffle and are able to do our mission work by your continued generosity. Thank you sincerely and Blessed Easter to all! A list of basket winners is available on the bulletin board in the church entry.
- ◆ Senior Mass: PCCW is hosting, on May 11th, this Mass to recognize our high school seniors, learn what they will be doing after graduation and wish them well in those pursuits. The PCCW will also be announcing the recipients of our Helping Hands Scholarship.
- ◆ Thank you to all who donated time and items or enjoyed the PCCW Lenten Fish Fry on April 4th! Your participation (directly or indirectly) does not go unnoticed or unappreciated. It was amazing to see and work along side of so many and the wide range of ages of our volunteers!
- ◆ **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!

- ◆ **THANK YOU** to the crew who cleaned the church last Monday.
- ◆ There will be a second collection on the weekend of April 26 & 27 for the La Crosse Diocese Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW). Please be generous as this organization supports many areas in the diocese for women and children in our diocese.
- ◆ May 2nd is the **Ecumenical Salad Luncheon** for Galesville churches at 11:30 in our church. St. Mary's is the host this year and we ask that women bring a salad to pass. Entertainment will be the Memory Choir from La Crosse called "Giving Hearts." The Director of this choir is Ruth Kapanke. She will share some information between songs about how much music means to those who have memory loss.
- ◆ **FINANCE COUNCIL** meeting Tuesday, May 6 @ 6:30
- ◆ **PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** immediately following Mass, Tuesday, May 20th, 6:35 PM, The Lower Room (basement).
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ **PRAYER MINISTRY:** Saturday, May 3rd, immediately after Mass - If you'd like prayer for any reason, a prayer team will be available to pray with you.

PASTORAL COUNCIL
wishes you a
happy and
blessed Easter!



Christ is Risen!
Alleluia!
He is Risen Indeed!

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ◆ Please return your **mite boxes**. You may place them in the collection basket or return to teacher's at last class.
- ◆ 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 April 26th for class. Please contact Suzanne Lane if you have any questions. (608-484-2901 cell and text)
- ◆ **LIVING WATER!** prayer meeting, Sunday evening, April 20th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following the meeting: "*What Would Monica Do?*" with Patti McGuire Armstrong and Ralph Martin. Author and journalist Patti Maguire Armstrong shares about the struggles of raising Catholic children in today's culture.
- ◆ **SPRING SPIRITUALITY DAY** is Saturday, April 26 at the Arcadia Historical Society 10:30-2:00. Speaker is Jim Losinski who will present a program called "History Files." He has been involved with programs on TCC and has information about churches and cemeteries in the area. All ladies of our parishes are welcome to attend. A lunch will be served and with a free will donation collected. Due to construction on the Main Street follow the detour signs for directions. Any questions or concerns please call Sherry at 608-797-3751.

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