



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPEALEAU

ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION



Sunday Bulletin June 1, 2025 Year C

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The Ascension of our Lord Jesus

My Dear Brothers and Sisters, on this seventh Sunday of Easter, we celebrate the solemnity of Ascension. It is an important solemnity that marks the return of Jesus to the Father. Together with the Resurrection, it is a manifestation of the victory of Christ. Ascension is a solemnity that sustains the hope of Christians that, one day we shall be where Christ is.

At times in life, we are too much in a hurry to begin, to make an impact, and to impress others. The result most times is always failure because we are not adequately prepared or mature to take up the next challenge in life.

The same thing happens in our spiritual journey. At times, we are too much in a hurry to begin our spiritual journey without, or with very little preparation.

In today's first reading, Christ warned his disciples: "Remain in Jerusalem until the Father fulfils his promise." In today's gospel, the Apostles religiously obeyed this instruction. And they were in the temple in Jerusalem waiting for the Holy Spirit that will help them be enlightened.

So, like them, we must obey Christ too and allow his Spirit to fill us and to open the eyes of our mind as Paul prayed for us today in our second reading: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened". As an experienced master, Jesus knows how tough our task is, and what it takes to be successful. He knows that only the Holy Spirit can help us.

Therefore, Ascension marks the beginning of the fulfillment of Christ's promise to us. So, as we celebrate the solemnity of Ascension today, Jesus reminds us that irrespective of our knowledge and human capabilities we need a divine help to succeed. This divine help will come from the Holy Spirit to whom we must pay attention to all the time.

Happy Feast of the Ascension of our Lord Jesus. God Bless!

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Intention June 2 — June 8

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

+ Henry & Rose Kohnle

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Rhonda Timm

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

+ Roger James

<u>Thursday:</u> 10:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew *Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.*

+ Dee Hare

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

+ Al Rustad

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

Pastor's Intention

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

Lorraine Walske

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

+ Monica Knepper

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, June 7

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: LaVonne Peterson, Doreen Emerson

Lector: Becky Harris Comm. Min: Becky Harris

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Phil Palzkil, Volunteer

Lector: Suzanne Lane Servers: John Severson Comm. Min: Suzanne Lane

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, June 8

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Scott Lamberty, Reagan Lamberty

Lector: Anne Bagley

Servers: Garrett Bork, Austin Bork

Comm. Min: Joe Plunger

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Sheryl Reedy, Volunteer

Lector: Ellen Karow

Servers: Sarah Sagler, Steve Grover

Comm. Min: Ellen Karow

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 all those in our families who do not believe in Jesus, our Lord.

Personal Prayer Request: For a sibling (living or deceased)

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- Donut Sunday, today June 1: Join us for donuts and coffee in the church hall.
- Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, June 3rd at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory.
- Our Religious Education Program for next year is looking for a 4th grade and 9th grade teachers. We wanted to inform you early so that you would have time to volunteer for these positions. Also, Mike Dunn our Coordinator for Religious Education is looking to retire and we will need some one to fill his place. Please contact the office at 608-534-6652 or email secretary@stmstb.diolcparish.org.
- 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!

- We are in need of Mass intentions for St. Mary's. Masses are \$20.00 an intention.
- FAMILY FAITH FORMATION needs you, too. For this coming year we need a 10th grade teacher for the Confirmation 2 class (can be a single person, a team or a married couple). We wanted to inform you early so that you would have time to pray about serving our Lord in this way. Please contact Maggie Gengler at 608-865-1216 or genglermaggie@gmail.com, or Dcn. Kent at 608-864-0952 or kjacobson@dioclergy.org.
- INSPIRED BY THE SPIRIT UPDATE: Our capital campaign project of replacing the roof of the garage and the rectory were completed last week. Thank you, parishioners for helping St. Mary's complete this much needed project.
- ◆ 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).

- + "It is possible that, over time, we have not lived in the fullness of this gift of the Holy Spirit. We leak.
- + We need to be immersed and re-immersed in the love of God by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- + The baptism in the Holy Spirit is <u>not</u> a one-time experience."

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ WE NEED YOU! Needed at all Masses: Ushers, Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. Those we have are pulling double duty, serving multiple times each month. That doesn't seem fair to me. Please prayerfully consider serving our Lord and His people in one of these ministries. You matter! Yours in Christ, Dcn. Kent. Contact the office 608-534-6652 or email: secretary@stmstb.diolcparish.org.
- ◆ *LIVING WATER!* prayer meeting, Sunday evening, June 1st, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following: "*The Marks of Conversion*" with Mr. Dave VanVickle. Dave is a speaker and retreat leader who focuses on proclaiming the universal call to holiness, authentic Catholic spirituality, spiritual warfare and deliverance.
- ♦ Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll and Membership Drive will be June 7 & 8th. There will be a second collection also supporting the Tootsie Roll Drive which provides support for health care, learning, and quality of life opportunities for children, teens, and adults with disabilities.
- ◆ Calling all current middle school boys! Bring yourself and a friend Monday, June 16 Wednesday, June 18 to St Lawrence Seminary High School in Mt Calvary, WI for three days of field Olympics, games, team building, and prayer. You're sure to have a blast! Cost is \$50 and includes housing and food. Transportation is available from select cities throughout the state. Register at www.stlawrence.edu/retreats
- ♦ Healing Service Friday, June 13 at Sacred Heart in Cashton Come experience God's supernatural love! The evening begins at 4:30 PM with Adoration, followed by 5:30 PM Mass, corporate prayer for healing, and individual healing ministry. All are welcome—come for part or all of the evening. Sacred Heart Parish, 1223 Front St., Cashton, WI.
- ◆ **Dare to Follow:** We are called to be Holy Men of God. Dare to Follow is for young men grades 6-10 that are interested in hearing where God is colling them. Join us on July 8-10 at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center, 3710 East Ave S, La Crosse, WI. Cost \$30. Register Online by July 2 at diole.org/daretofollow.

Diocesan Annual Appeal							
	Target:	Pledged:	Under:	Over:	% Reached		
SBT:	\$23,555.00	\$28,210.00		\$ 4,655 .00	120%		
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