

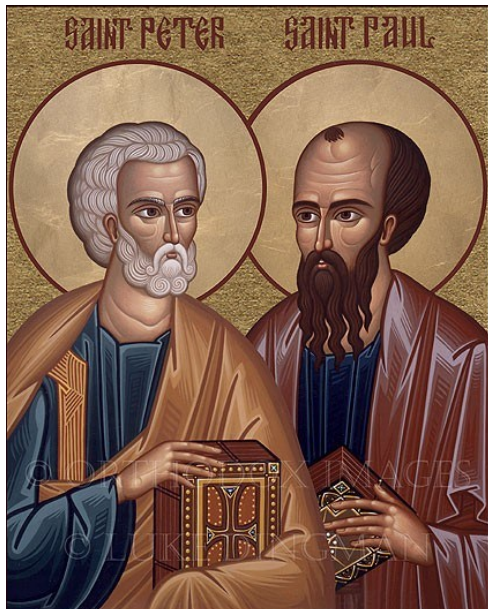


ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPPEALEAU



ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE

Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul



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WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?

Today our readings witness to the saving power of God & proclaim the gospel message preached by both Peter & Paul: through the Cross of Christ, salvation is available to all who entrust themselves to the Lord.

The 1st reading highlights the importance of trust & surrender to Him, showing that He delivers His own from the physical & spiritual snares of the enemy.

Today's psalm also witnesses to God's deliverance; He is our salvation. We cannot save ourselves. When we cry to the Lord for help, trusting in His mercy, He sends His angels to protect & deliver us. Peter & Paul didn't become great saints because of their own righteousness, but because they were dependent on God, & willing to fully unite themselves to Christ's sufferings.

In the 2nd reading, Paul writes about the power of God's salvation in his own life. Like Christ, Paul knows that his blood will be poured out as a drink offering. He understands that true safety & salvation is only found in the Lord. As he awaits his martyrdom, Paul puts his hope in Jesus' promise of eternal life & entrusts himself completely to the Lord.

In today's gospel, Jesus asks His disciples (then & now, including you and me) this most important question we'll ever hear, a question with eternal consequences, "Who do you say that I am?"

While the rest fumble for an answer, Peter gets it right. "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God!", an insight revealed to him by the Father. I don't doubt that the others also heard this whisper of the Father, but Peter was the only one with guts enough to act on it. Because of this, our Lord blesses Peter & tells him that he will be the rock on which He will build His Church. He then gives Peter the "keys to the Kingdom of heaven" which have the power to bind & loose on earth what will be bound & loosed in heaven.

This passage is foundational for a number of Catholic doctrines, especially Petrine primacy, papal infallibility, & the ability of the Church to forgive sins in the sacrament of Reconciliation. Remember though: Peter was given power & authority not because of his own human virtues, but rather because God willed to work in & through him.

So, who do you say Jesus is?

If you were accused of being a Christian, would they find enough evidence to convict you?

God bless! Dcn. Kent

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

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Counters: Judy Kowalewski, Joy Critzman

Intention June 30 — July 6

Monday: NO MASS

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

Joe Glowdowski (For Health)

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

+ Tim & Janet Vondrasek

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

+ Jeanne Piller

Friday: 9:00 a.m. St. Bartholomew

+ Clayton Backler

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

For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Paul Severson

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

+ George Richtman

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, July 5

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: LaVonne Peterson, Sandy Salsman

Lector: Tom Ladwig

Comm. Min: Sandy Salsman

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Volunteers

Lector: Suzanne Lane

Servers: John Severson

Comm. Min: Suzanne Lane

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, July 6

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Jim Scherr, Craig Boyer

Lector: Annalise

Servers: Brian, Nathan

Comm. Min: MaryKay Plunger

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Steve Grover, Jusin Sagler

Lector: Ellen Karow

Servers: Sarah Sagler

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 peace through out the world and within our own communities.

Personal Prayer Request: For one of your doctors.



Happy 4th of July!

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ♦ Our Religious Education Program for next year is looking for a 9th grade teacher. We wanted to inform you early so that you would have time to volunteer for this position. 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.diocparish.org.
- ♦ VBS is looking for new leaders ASAP! If you have any interest in helping keep this program local, please reach out to Lindsay Aschenbrener at lindsavaschenbrener@gmail.com
- ♦ **Catfish Days Bake Sale and Lunch**, Saturday, July 12th. 9:00 -2:00 pm. or until gone. Grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, sloppy joes, chili dogs, chips, beverages and homemade baked goods will be available. And of course, back by popular demand Rootbeer Floats. The parish hall will be open on Friday, July 11th. from 10:30 am. - 2:00 pm. or after 7:00 am. on Saturday, to drop off your baked goods. Thank you for your continued support in helping the PCCW in meeting our mission goals!
- ♦ Save the date: We will be celebrating the Feast of St. Bartholomew on his feast day, August 24. We will have a polka Mass at 8:30 a.m. and donuts in the hall following the Mass. Keep checking for more information.
- ♦ **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!

- ♦ **2025 ECUMENICAL PICNIC** (hosted by the Presbyterian Church) will be held Wednesday, July 16 at Galesville Volunteer Trout Club shelter at 6:00 p.m. All ages and genders are invited to a potluck picnic. Lemonade, water & coffee provided. Bring your own tableware.
- ♦ The **GALESVILLE SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM** signup is available at: tinyurl.com/SummerLunch25 Please consider signing up to assist with this program. It is a wonderful service to our children and families in the community. We are anticipating large numbers this summer. In Galesville lunch is served in the park by our church. Hours to help make and serve the lunch are 10:30-1:00.
- ♦ **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: : (Pope Francis).

- + "In our personal lives the Spirit pushes us to take a more evangelical path; do not resist the Holy Spirit.
- + This is the grace for which I wish we would all ask the Lord: docility to the Holy Spirit.
- + [Be willing to be taught] by that Spirit who comes to us & makes us go forward on the path of holiness."

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ **LIVING WATER!** prayer meeting, Sunday evening, June 29th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following: *"The Biggest Problem with Catholics Today"* and *"Evangelization is Living Authentically Catholic"* with Aaron Richards and Brad Pierron from Damascus Mission.
- ♦ **The Renewal Project: Simple, Achievable, Life-Changing:** The Renewal Project is not a checklist or a program—it's a personal invitation for you to engage with your faith on your time and on your terms. Rooted in prayer and community, this diocesan-wide effort encourages each of us to take a simple step deeper in our relationship with Jesus Christ. You will find a variety of invitations to help you reflect, grow, and respond to the Lord in your daily life—whether as parents, couples, singles, or students. It's about opening your heart to His presence and letting Him renew you from the inside out. To learn more and begin your journey, visit dioc.org/renewal or use your smartphone's camera to scan the QR code to the right.
- ♦ "What are you looking for?" Jesus is speaking to John's disciples as they follow after Him, desiring to know who Jesus is and what His mission is all about. After the disciples respond, Jesus gives them an instruction, "Come and you will see!" We find ourselves searching, not knowing exactly where to go or what to do in life. but nothing seems to satisfy. Jesus invites each of us to follow after Him, to get to know Him, and to follow the path He has placed before us. For some men, that path is a very special invitation to walk in Jesus' footsteps as a priest. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667.



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