



ST. BARTHOLOMEW, TREMPPEALEAU



ST. MARY'S, GALESVILLE

The 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Sunday Bulletin July 13, 2025 Year C

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Finding God in the Wounded

My Dear Brothers and Sisters, Today, on this 15th Sunday we are reminded that God is not far from us. He is close—in His Word and in our neighbor. Jesus, the image of the unseen God and the Good Samaritan in today's Gospel, shows us how near God is in every moment of our lives.

In the first reading, Moses tells the people that God's command is not too hard or distant. "It is very near to you, in your mouth and in your heart." God speaks to us through Scripture and invites us to live by His Word. If we truly seek Him with sincere hearts, we will find Him.

The psalm encourages us: "Seek the Lord, and your heart will revive." God's Word gives life. We are called to read it, pray with it, and allow it to guide our choices each day.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that Jesus is the visible image of the invisible God. Through Jesus, God became close and personal. He came to reconcile all things and bring peace through His presence and sacrifice.

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches that loving God includes loving our neighbor. The Good Samaritan shows us what true love looks like compassion in action. As a humble master, God is always available to us in simple ways and things. He is close to us and present in the scriptures, in the poor, the sick, the suffering, and the forgotten. Like the Samaritan, we are called to stop, notice, and care.

Jesus is the true Good Samaritan who sees our wounds and heals us. He is near, especially in times of need.

Let us find God in His Word and in the people around us. He is not far. He is close, loving, and ready to help. "What nation has its gods so close as the Lord our God is to us?" (Deut 4:7). My Prayers for you and your family. God Bless you All.

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Intention July 14 — July 20

Monday: NO MASS

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Monica R.

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

+ Ralph Hicks (1st Anniversary of Death)

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

+ Val & Helen Galewski

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

+ Henry & Rose Kohnle

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

+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Ruth Severson

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

+ Jim & Lorraine Walske

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, July 19

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Kathy Kujak, Volunteer

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, July 20

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Jason Hilton, Adian Ganz

Lector: Missy Ganz

Servers: Jaylen Hilton, Volunteer

Comm. Min: Missy Ganz

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Tim Babros, Deb Babros

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 who lost there lives in the flooding and for those who have no homes to go to.**

Personal Prayer Request: For a deceased relative.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ♦ We are still hoping that some one will volunteer to teach our 9th grade class for the 2025-2026 school year. We also need a 4th grade helper. Prayerfully consider taking on this ministry, not only do you teach the children but you learn a lot about your faith as well. Please contact the office at 608-534-6652 or email secretary@stmstb.diocparish.org.
- ♦ **NEW DATE:** PCCW August meeting will now be Aug. 4th at 6:30 in the church hall. We hope to plan for Fall Fest tickets ready by August 24th at Feast Day celebration.
- ♦ **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.
- ♦ **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION.** For this coming year we need a 10th grade teacher for the Confirmation 2 class (familiarity with PowerPoint helpful). Dcn. Kent will be available to help you with lesson prep, should you so desire. Please contact Maggie Gengler at 608-865-1216 or genglermaggie@gmail.com, or Dcn. Kent at 608-864-0952 or kjacobson@diocclergy.org.
- ♦ **PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** Tuesday, July 29th, immediately following Mass, in the Lower Room.
- ♦ **Finance Council** will meet in the rectory Tuesday, August 5 at 6:30 p.m.
- ♦ **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: : (Cardinal Reneiro Cantalamessa).

+ "We tend to limit God and His freedom.

+ We tend to insist that He follows a pattern (channels of grace) and we forget that

+ God is a torrent that breaks loose and creates its own path and that the Spirit blows where and how He wants."

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ **Eucharist Ministers:** For anyone who would like to become an Eucharist Minister at either parish, please contact the office, 608-534-6652 or email: secretary@stmstb.diocparish.org. We are planning to have a workshop with someone from the dioceses, so we need to have a number and we will coordinate with them to set a date.
- ♦ **LIVING WATER!** prayer meeting, Sunday evening, July 13th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following: **"Rebuild My Church, Part 2"**, courtesy of Fr. Derek Sakowski, Diocese of La Crosse.
- ♦ **The Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration** in La Crosse, Wisconsin invite young women who are interested in exploring how they might be called to live a life of community, prayer, and service according to the Gospel and the teachings of Sts. Francis and Clare of Assisi to join us for a Charism Immersion at St. Rose Convent September 17-21, 2025. Contact us by August 1st: vocations@fspa.org or 608-782-5610 ext. 292
- ♦ **Calling All Catholic Women!** If you are a Catholic woman over the age of 21, please consider joining our Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court La Crosse #1183. We are currently fifty-two members strong and we want to grow! We meet monthly, the second Wednesday, from Sept. – June, 10:00 am, at Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, 530 Main, Undercroft. To learn more about our court and the Catholic Daughters, please contact Karol Smith, 608-769-1270, email: kschlo3004@aol.com or visit www.catholicdaughters.org.
- ♦ Catholic Charities is rushing assistance to those devastated by the recent catastrophic flooding in Texas. Please consider donating – visit www.cclse.org and click on the "Texas Flood Relief" tab.

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE:

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its [policies and procedures](#), seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@dioc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: dioc.org/safe-environment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local Parish and on the [diocesan website](#). If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@dioc.org.

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