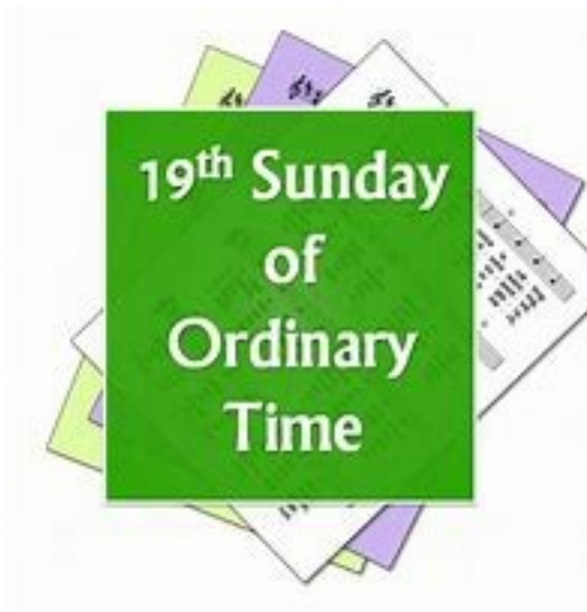




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A Call to Trust and Readiness

My Dear Brothers and Sisters, on this 19th Sunday, the Church reminds us of our true identity and our readiness to serve and love as the people of God, firmly rooted in Christ.

The readings call us to a life of faith, trust, and watchful readiness. They remind us that God is faithful to His promises and that we are part of His saving plan, just like the men and women of faith in the Scriptures.

In the first reading we hear of the Israelites who waited in hope and confidence for God's deliverance. They were not just waiting passively—they were prepared, trusting that God would act on their behalf. Their readiness was rooted in the covenant they had with God.

In the second reading we are reminded of Abraham, the father of faith. Abraham obeyed God without knowing where he was going. His life shows us that true faith means following God even when we don't have all the answers. It means believing in God's promises even when we can't see their fulfillment yet.

In the Gospel, Jesus urges us to "be ready," like servants waiting for their master's return. This is not just a warning, but a loving reminder that we must live each day with purpose and awareness. We are called to stay spiritually awake, responsible, and faithful in whatever mission God has entrusted to us.

This Sunday reminds us that faith is not only belief, also it is a way of life. It shapes how we act, how we wait, how we serve, and how we love. God's promises are sure, but we must do our part by remaining alert and faithful.

Let us ask the Lord for hearts that trust, eyes that watch, and lives that reflect the joy of being His chosen people." Have a Blessed weekend! God Bless You All!

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Intention August 11 — August 17

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.

+ Whitney S.

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

+ Lorraine Walske

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Evelyn Jessesky

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

+ Roy Bentzen

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

For All Those Who are Sick

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

+ For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

+ Stanley & Frances Eichman

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

+ George Walski

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Aug. 16

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Dave Mueller, 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, Aug. 17

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: James Kinscher, Kris Krett

Lector: Shannon Krett

Servers: Austin Bork, Garrett Bork

Comm. Min: Joe Plunger

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Tim Babros, Deb Babros

Lector: Becky Harris

Servers: Sarah Sagler, Steve Grover

Comm. Min: Becky Harris

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 suffering because of wars.

Personal Prayer Request: For a child that you are not related to.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- ♦ **Feast of St. Bartholomew - August 24:** We will have a polka Mass at the 8:30 a.m.. Donuts and coffee in the church hall following Mass and Bingo all cash prizes! There will not be a free will offering everything is free. We hope to have everyone attend. See you there! The Fall Festive tickets will be ready for you to pickup.
- ♦ We are still looking for some one to **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.
- ♦ **Religious Education Teachers' meeting** will be on Wednesday, August 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall.
- ♦ **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!

- ♦ **Congratulations to Luke James Tupper and Kade William Tupper**, sons of Mark & Hailyn Tupper who were baptized on Sunday, August 3.
- ♦ **OUR NEW CRE** (Coordinator of Religious Education): Maggie Gengler has graciously accepted the position of CRE for St. Mary's Parish. Thank you for taking on this ministry.
- ♦ **1st Grade Teacher Needed** to share teaching responsibilities every other week for Family Faith Formation classes starting in September! If you are interested, or for more information, please contact Maggie Gengler at (608)865-1216 or genglermaggie@gmail.com.
- ♦ **Family Faith Formation: Teachers' meeting** will be on Wednesday, August 13th at 6:15 in the rectory.
- ♦ **St. Mary's PCCW annual mum sale** is August 22 & 23. The price will be the same as last year. If you could help work during the day on Saturday or before/after masses please call Becky (608-484-0630).
- ♦ **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, Preacher to the Papal Household)

- + "Where does the grace we experience in the Baptism of the Holy Spirit come from? It comes from God!
- + It is not the brothers who impart the Holy Spirit, but they do invoke the Holy Spirit on the person.
- + One thing is certain - only Jesus may give the Holy Spirit."

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ **Holy Day of Obligation**, Friday, August 15, the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Mass times are St. Bartholomew at 10:00 a.m. and St. Mary at 6:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Eucharist Ministers:** The workshop for Eucharist Ministers will be held Monday, August 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the church. This will be for both St. Mary's and St. Bartholomew's people. We would like to encourage all current and new people to attend. Jacob said that it would be around an hour.
- ♦ **LIVING WATER!** prayer meeting, Sunday evening, August 10th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following: **"The Glory of God in Action"** with Fr. Mathias Thelen and Robbie Dawkins.
- ♦ **Knights of Coumbus** meeting is on Tuesday, August 12 at St. Mary's in the basement at 7:00 p.m.
- ♦ **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.
- ♦ **Catholic Charities: Support Specialists Needed!** Are you passionate about helping others and seeking a rewarding part-time opportunity? We are looking for dedicated Support Specialists to join our Adult Day Services program. As a Support Specialist, you will provide direct support to adults with developmental, cognitive, and physical needs. Hours are 15-29 hours per week and pay is \$15-\$18 per hour (based on education and experience). We're looking for someone who is patient, compassionate, and has a genuine desire to make a positive impact on the lives of others! For immediate consideration, please submit your application online at <https://cclse.org/employment-opportunities/> and attach your resume and cover letter. We look forward to hearing from you!
- ♦ Join us for the 44th annual Rural Life Day at the Van Wychen Family Farm in Warrens on Monday, Sept. 22! Mass with Bishop Battersby at 10:00 AM will be followed by awards, the blessing of farm animals, crops, and machinery and a delightful lunch. The Van Wychen Farm is located at 3365 Auger Road, Warrens, WI 54666. This is a day to celebrate rural life and to rejoice in the way its values contribute to the Church at large.

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