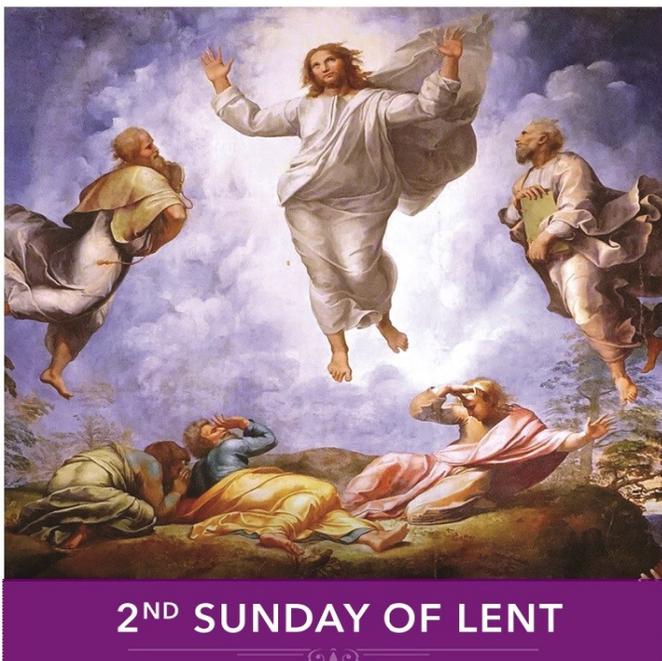




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A Journey of Trust and Listening

My Dear Brothers and Sisters, on this Second Sunday of Lent, the readings invite us to continue our Lenten journey with deeper trust in God and a willingness to listen to His voice.

In the first reading, God calls Abraham to leave his homeland and go to a place that He will show him. Abraham does not know the destination, yet he trusts God and begins the journey.

His faith reminds us that our spiritual life is also a journey. During Lent, God invites us to step out of our comfort zones and follow Him with confidence, even when the path is not fully clear.

In the Gospel, we hear about the Transfiguration of Jesus. Peter, James, and John see the glory of Christ on the mountain. This moment was given to strengthen them before the difficult days of Jesus' suffering and the cross. Then they hear the voice of the Father: *"This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him."*

This is an important message for us during Lent. We are called to listen more attentively to Jesus through prayer, Scripture, silence, and the sacraments. As we listen to Him, our faith grows stronger and we find courage to face the challenges of life.

Like Abraham, we may be invited to let go of something that gives us comfort and place it in God's hands. Like the disciples on the mountain, we are encouraged to spend quiet time with the Lord each day and entrust our worries and fears to Him. When we trust His guidance, He renews our hearts and strengthens us for our journey.

Let us use this holy season to renew our trust in the Lord and to listen to His voice each day. May our Lenten journey lead us to a deeper faith and prepare our hearts for the joy of Easter.

Assuring you of my prayers,

Fr. Sebastian

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

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Total Offering	\$3,990.71	\$ 3,589.00

Counters: Monica Bentzen, Jamie Stetzer

Intention March 2 — March 8

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

+ Henry & Rose Kohnle

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Mike Slaggie

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

+ Toni Pampuch

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

Exposition and Confession at 9:00 a.m.

+ Dennis McInermy

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

+ Deceased Members of the Paul & Martha Eichman Family

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

+ John Cory

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

+ Pastor's Intention

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

+ Ray Mertes

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

All the People of Our Parishes

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY, Mar. 7

St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Ushers: Dave Mueller, Doreen Emerson

Lector: Theresa Haines

Comm. Min: Cindy Baer

St. Bartholomew 5:30 p.m.

Ushers: Greg Goltz, Volunteer

Lector: Suzanne Lane

Servers: John Severson

Comm. Min: Doreen Backler

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, Mar. 8

St. Bartholomew 8:30 a.m.

Ushers: Charles Muller, Tim Jessesky

Lector: Joe Mack

Servers: Chloe Lilla, Nolan Lilla

Comm. Min: Joe Plunger

St. Mary 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Bruce Reedy, Sheryl Reedy

Lector: Cindy Anderson

Servers: Sarah Sagler

Comm. Min.: Kris Gengler

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 during the Lenten season we turn our hearts and spirit to the Lord.

Personal Prayer Request: For the priest who administered you the sacrament of Holy Eucharist.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

- ◆ **Donut Sunday**, join us in the hall for donuts, coffee, milk, juice and conversations with our parish community
- ◆ **Lenten Fish Fry & Bake Sale** - PCCW invites you to enjoy dine in or carry out on March 6th. Serving from 4 -7 p.m. or until gone. Menu: Baked Cod or Batter Fried Catfish or Cod, choice of potato, vegetable, coleslaw, roll, with milk or coffee. If you would like to help with the event, work schedules are posted in the vestibule, please sign up. NOTE - students of St. Bart's can count their time helping towards scholarship hours. Cost is \$13/dinner. Bake sale items as marked with proceeds going to our PCCW Helping Hands Scholarship fund. If you would like to make a donation for the bake sale, please drop off your baked goods on Friday, 3/6 after 11.
- ◆ **PCCW Bingo** - Sunday, March 15, 1-3:30 pm in the church hall. FREE to play. Cash and other "fabulous" prizes will be available. Beverages will be provided. Please bring a snack to share. Come, bring a friend.
- ◆ Finance Council meeting on Thursday, March 26 at 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ **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!

- ◆ **St. Mary's PCCW members:** Please sign up to help with soup suppers on Tuesday's! The sign up is in the entry of the church. Donations of food items and help is needed. All proceeds benefit the Galesville Summer Lunch program and Weekend Food Bags for GET students in need.
- ◆ **RESCUE Project** Planning Meeting, Monday, March 2nd, 2:30 pm, St. Mary's Rectory.
- ◆ **DISCIPLESHIP QUAD** meeting, Friday, March 6th, 1:00 pm. St. Mary's Rectory.
- ◆ **DAA is under target** by \$3,225.00. We need every ones help to reach our goal.
- ◆ 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.

REBUILD MY CHURCH INITIATIVE & YOU (check out the diocesan website):

+ Another indicator of a **Parish Fully Alive on Mission** is that the parish has a **Missionary Outreach**.

- 1) Members look beyond themselves & effectively reach out to the poor, sick, aged, addicted, abuse survivors, etc.
 - 2) Members are interested & involved in connecting with inactive members, those who have left the Church, & **those who do not yet know Jesus**.
 - 3) The parish is aware of & inclusive of new neighbors or immigrants in their midst – especially those who are already Catholic.
 - 4) The parish invests in staffing & volunteers that empower the members to be active & effective in these ways.
- + Are we there yet?

- ◆ **Following Sunday Mass:** Prayer for healing & other needs. A prayer team is available to pray with you.

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ◆ **MISSION:** We are having a 2 night Mission at St. Bartholomew's on **March 16 & 17**. Plan ahead and save these dates. Christopher Carstens and Fr. Samuel Martin will be the speakers at 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ **On March 17th** there is a schedule change at St. Mary's: Adoration will be from 5-5:30 p.m. with the Mass at 5:30 and Soup Supper at 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ **St Mary Soup Suppers** Tuesday's immediately after 6:00 mass. All are welcome to attend! All donations will be used for the Galesville Summer Lunch Program and the Weekend Food Bags for GET Students in need. There is a sign up in the entry of church to donate food or sign up to help.
- ◆ **Stations of the Cross:** St. Bartholomew's on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Please join us on **March 14th** in the church hall for a study of the book of Revelation. We will be studying Chapters twenty-one and twenty-two of the book of Revelation. Bring your bible and a notebook. Join us for one or many classes. You will learn so much about your faith.
- ◆ **LIVING WATER!** prayer meeting, Sunday evening, March 1st, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory. Following: **"How my SHAMEFUL Lents were rescued (3 tips)"** with Fr. Mark Goring, pastor of St. Mary's, Ottawa, Ontario, CN.
- ◆ Deanery Communal Confession at St. Bartholomew's on Sunday, March 22 at 3:00 p.m. with Benediction and all the Deanery priests will be available for confessions.
- ◆ We are getting low on Mass stipends for both parishes. The donation for having a Mass said is \$20.00.
- ◆ St. John's Catholic Church, Whitehall is having a St. Patrick Day luncheon on Saturday March 14. Check flyer.
- ◆ St. Ansgar, Blair is having a Fish Fry on Friday, March 27. Cost \$15.00. Check Flyer for more information.

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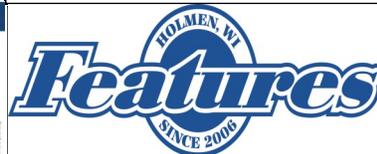
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