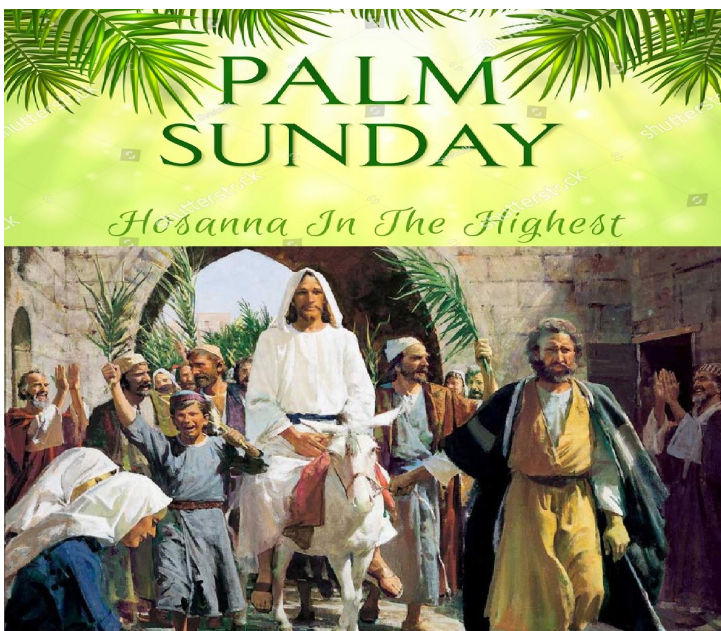




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Holy Week: A Path to Follow

Holy Week is the most significant week for us. During this sacred week we the Catholics pray and reflect on the profound journey of Jesus' suffering, sacrifice, and victory over death and contemplate His boundless love and mercy.

The Palm Sunday: The Holy Week starts on Palm Sunday, a day that commemorates Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. The primary symbol for this day is a palm, was not chosen by Jesus. John writes, "They took palm branches and went out to meet him". Those plants were symbolically linked to military victories and Messiahship. But Jesus picked a symbol that emphasized humility and lowliness instead of military strength. Through His Passion and Resurrection, Jesus gives us the gift of forgiveness, a way to follow. God chose meekness, integrity, and love.

Holy Thursday: We celebrate the Last Supper and the institution of the Eucharist as Jesus' body and blood. It is one of our holiest days. On this first day of Triduum, Jesus demonstrates God's unfailing gift of undeserved, unconditional, and unifying love. On this day Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, by which he humbled himself to share in our humanity. By offering himself as the Passover sacrifice, Jesus gives his greatest gift in the sacrament of the Eucharist, "Do this in remembrance of me".

Good Friday: We reflect on Jesus' death by crucifixion. Jesus' saving Sacrifice is commemorated by the full reading of the Passion account, the veneration of the Cross, and the distribution of Holy Communion. Every word our Lord spoke on the cross is for us to hear, to receive and to believe. The meaning of Good Friday is beyond our human comprehension. Nonetheless, on this holy day we are called to prayerfully penetrate the meaning of this perfect act of love.

Holy Saturday: (Easter Vigil) This night, in that darkness, a fire is lit. We know that tomb will be empty and remain empty forever as a sign that our lives will not really end, but only be transformed. It brings immense peace and joy to our lives. I wish all of you to have a blessed and meaningful Holy Week and Happy Easter.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING

	<u>SBT</u>	<u>SMG</u>
Envelopes	\$ 1,244.00	\$ 2,166.00
Plate	196.00	172.39
Easter Flowers	85.00	50.00
Electronic Dep.	24.00	0.00
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Total Offering	\$ 1,558.00	\$ 2,388.39

Counters: Judy Kowalewski, Kathy Kujak

Intentions March 25 — March 31

Monday: 6:00 p.m. St. Bartholomew

+ Earl "Bud" Stevens

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

Exposition and Confession at 5:00 p.m.

+ Brookes & Dorothy Smith

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

+ Roger James

Holy Thursday: 6:30 p.m. St. Mary

+ Elaine Kopp

Good Friday: Service 1:00 p.m. St. Mary

Stations of the Cross 12:30 p.m

Easter Vigil: 8:30 p.m. St. Mary

* Francis Haines Family

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

+ Betty, Pete & Monica Knepper

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

All the People of Our Parishes



Holy Thursday Adoration Schedule

Times

Groups to Lead

8:00-8:30 p.m. Rel. Ed. and Choir-Both Churches

8:30-9:00 p.m. Councils of SBT & SMG

9:00-9:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus

9:30-10:00 p.m. SBT & SMG PCCW's

Any parishioners can be present for any or all adoration times, but we encourage that members of these groups are present at the times given .

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: For Fr. Sebastian's nephew who was in an accident and needs pray-ers.

Personal Prayer Request: Someone who is not worshiping with others at a weekend Mass.

LENTEN CONFESSION TIMES

St. Mary: Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. St. Bartholomew: Call the office to make an appointment.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES WILL BE HELD AT ST. MARY'S PARISH

Holy Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Adoration following in the church until 10:00 p.m.

Good Friday at 1:00 p.m. with the Way of the Cross at 12:30 p.m.

The Easter Vigil is at 8:30 p.m. and Easter Sunday Mass at 10:30 a.m.

St. Bartholomew: Easter Sunday Mass at 8:30 a.m.

ATTENTION ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS.

- ♦ **High School Seniors:** If you are a graduating Senior and a member of St. Bartholomew's Parish you are encouraged to apply for the Helping Hands Scholarship sponsored by St. Bartholomew's PCCW. Your application must be completed and returned by May 1st to be considered. Questions can be directed to the Parish office or call Kay Richtman, 507-459-4115. Applications can be picked up at the office, if needed.
- ♦ **Mass Servers Party** is on Sunday, April 7 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at Gale Lanes. Pizza and refreshments provided
- ♦ PCCW is extremely grateful for your overwhelming generosity providing numerous donations to allow us to fill 57 Easter baskets distributed to GET Food Pantry, Grace Place of Winona, and Trempealeau Elementary. We sincerely appreciate and thank all who so willingly supported this endeavor.
- ♦ Our PCCW will again this year not request payment of yearly dues since we are blessed throughout the year often with donations especially of time and requested items Thank you for your continued help and support.
- ♦ **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!

- ♦ **Thank you** to Alice Baldini who has resigned from the Pastoral Council. We appreciate all you have done.
- ♦ **PCCW** meeting 6:30 on Tuesday, April 2 (after the 6:00 mass). Downstairs in the church.
- ♦ **Finance council meeting** 6:30 on Tuesday, April 16 (after the 6:00 mass). We will meet in the rectory.
- ♦ **OCIA** will not meet this week.
- ♦ **NEED GOD'S HELP?** Contact St. Mary's Prayer Chain, Ellen Karow 582-2688 or ekarow@hotmail.com or the Knights of Columbus (Greg Goltz) @ 608-865-1518.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ITEM FOR YOU:

- + You may be the only Jesus others see.
- + Jesus tells us, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."
- + Do we at St. Mary's, love (not like) one another sacrificially as Jesus does, even those we disagree with?
- + If not, why not? Think about it - it's His command, not His request. He never said following Him would be easy...

COMMUNICATION TO ALL

- ♦ Please return your **mite boxes** by giving them to your teacher or they can be put in the collection basket.
- ♦ **Bible study** on Saturday, April 6th. We will continue our study of the Prophets with God's Watchman on the Wall - Ezekiel. 9:00 am in the church hall. Join us for a wonderful learning experience with coffee and great conversation.
- ♦ **"SPIRITUAL WARFARE, Part 2"** with Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, and Dave VanVickle, Catholic Lay Evangelist, following the **LIVING WATER!** Prayer Meeting, Sunday evening, March 24th, 6:00-7:30 PM, St. Mary's Rectory.
- ♦ The **Knights of Columbus** are seeking a good newer/used refrigerator-freezer for our fair stand. Something in the 17 cuf. range. If you have one to donate or for purchase please contact Greg Goltz at 608-865-1518.
- ♦ Pro-Life Wisconsin Spring Social, Thursday, April 18 from 6-8 p.m. at the Broken Spur Restaurant at the Lodge at Mauston. Check the flyer on the bulletin board for more information and when to register.
- ♦ Pope Francis has asked our parishes to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name a few. Please be generous.

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