

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION

CCD: Catholic Christian Discipleship

The deadline to register for Religious Education classes is September 1st ! Classes meet every week beginning Wednesday, September 6th in Gilman and Sheldon. If you still need to register please stop in the office Wednesday through Friday between 9:00am - 3:00pm. **There is a MANDATORY meeting for all parents with children attending Gilman classes in grades 6, 7 & 8 on Wednesday, September 6th from 6:15pm to 7:30pm.**

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, Apostle

All that is know of Bartholomew with certainty is that he is mentioned in the synoptic gospels and Acts as one of the twelve apostles. Bartholomew means “son of Tolmai” and scholars believe he is the same as Nathanael mentioned in John who says he was raised in Cana of Galilee. Jesus called him an Israelite and incapable of deceit. He was well versed in the Hebrew Scriptures. Nathanael derived from Hebrew meaning “God has given.” His personality is described as skeptical, honest and faithful. In other words, Jesus knew him to be an utterly sincere man, completely dedicated to God. Bartholomew knew Jesus raise Lazarus from his tomb. He saw Jesus risen from the dead. He witnessed the miraculous catch of fish and ate breakfast with Jesus after his resurrection. Some say Bartholomew ministered to Asia Minor and India and the Armenian church claims Bartholomew as their founder. Tradition suggests that Bartholomew was flayed alive in Armenia and beheaded by King Astyages. The symbol for Bartholomew is sometimes a blade. Bartholomew preached the Good News that Jesus rose from the dead, and he became a glorious martyr for the Master whom he loved. **St. Bartholomew, help me to listen to those who call me to Jesus!**

The next VISION FORMATION GATHERING will be Tuesday, August 29th from 3:00pm - 4:30pm Chris Hurtubise will be discussing Bishop Powers’ recent Pastoral Letter on Evangelization, *As the Father Has Sent Me*. **ALL Council members and staff should plan on attending.** A link to the meeting is available on the Cluster website.

The **2023/2024 Catholic Services Appeal** will be conducted in all parishes the weekend of **September 9 & 10**. This year’s theme is “**Who Do You Say That I Am?**” The answer can change over a lifetime of faith and the response will draw us closer in service to Him as grateful Disciples. Please join in supporting this very important appeal.

OUR WEEKLY GIVING

	<u>COLLECTED</u>	<u>*NEEDED*</u>
August 19 - 20		
Ss. Peter & Paul		
Adult Envelopes	\$ 860.00	1,000.00
Loose	\$ 77.00	80.00
Total	\$ 937.00	*1,080.00*
Month of August Building Fund =	\$ 2,002.00	*1,725.00/mo*
St. Stanislaus		
Adult Envelopes	\$ 410.00	525.00
Loose	\$ 4.00	75.00
Total	\$ 414.00	*600.00*
Month of August Building Fund =	\$ 648.00	*500.00/mo*
St. John		
Adult Envelopes	\$ 1,315.00	875.00
Loose	\$ 176.00	75.00
Total	\$ 1,491.00	*950.00*
Month of August Building Fund =	\$ 425.00	*525.00/mo*
St. Michael		
Adult Envelopes	\$ 110.00	275.00
Loose	\$ 45.00	25.00
Total	\$ 155.00	*300.00*
Month of August Building Fund =	\$ 140.00	*85.00/mo*

**The weekly Envelope & monthly Building Fund totals needed are based on the 2023-2024 budget set by each Parish Council.*

Who Do You Say That I AM

Catholic Services Appeal 2023-2024
Watch for a special presentation: September 9 & 10

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Payments & Pledges</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Ss. Peter & Paul	\$ 10,781.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
St. John	\$ 9,139.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
St. Stanislaus	\$ 5,945.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
St. Michael	\$ 3,059.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

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