August 23, 2026

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Anytime by appointment
Elmwood- Saturday's 6:30-6:50 pm
Boyceville–Sunday's 8:00 - 8:20 am
Spring Valley– Wednesday's 5:30 – 6:10 pm

Feast of St. Bartholomew the Apostle

The Feast of St. Bartholomew invites us to reflect on the beauty of following Christ with sincerity and courage. Bartholomew, also known as Nathanael in the Gospel of John, was introduced to Jesus by Philip. At first, he wondered, "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" Yet when he encountered Jesus, his doubts disappeared, and he professed his faith: **"Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel."**

His story reminds us that faith often begins with questions. Jesus does not reject us because we have doubts or uncertainties. Instead, He invites us to come closer and discover the truth for ourselves. Bartholomew's encounter with Christ transformed his perspective and led him to become a faithful apostle.

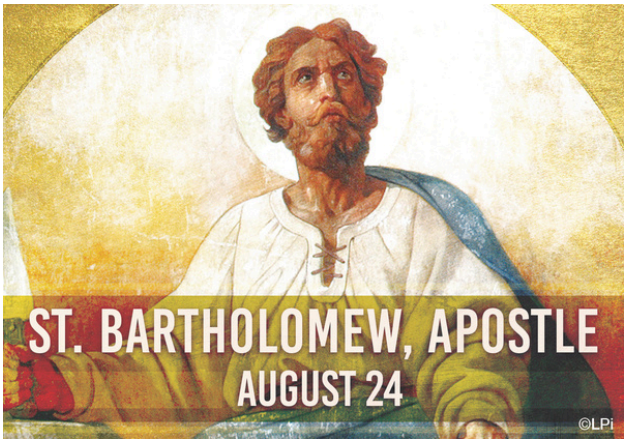
What is especially inspiring about St. Bartholomew is his willingness to leave everything behind and follow Jesus. His life teaches us that discipleship requires trust, courage, and perseverance. We may not always understand where God is leading us, but like Bartholomew, we are called to respond generously when Christ calls.

The feast also challenges us to examine the sincerity of our own faith. Do we truly recognize Jesus as the Son of God and allow Him to guide our lives? Are we willing to move beyond our doubts, fears, and prejudices so that we can encounter Him more deeply?

St. Bartholomew reminds us that an encounter with Christ is never meant to remain private. Having experienced the Lord, we are called to share His love with others through our words, choices, service, and example.

On this feast, may we ask for the intercession of St. Bartholomew, that we may have a heart that seeks the truth, a faith that trusts God, and a courage that enables us to follow Christ faithfully. Like this great apostle, may our lives become a testimony that leads others to recognize and love Jesus.

~Fr. Anbu



The Fall Mass schedule will be starting on September 5th with these Mass times going through December 27, 2026

	Spring Valley	Elmwood	Boyceville
Sept / Oct	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday
Nov / Dec	6:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

Stewardship Weekly Offering
August 15-16, 2026

	Adult	Offertory	On-Line
Boyceville	$ 587.46	$ 98.00	
Elmwood	$ 560.00	$ 73.00	
Spring Valley	$ 1004.00	$70.00	$ 1162.50

Upcoming Events

August 22-23- Mission Coop Appeal- Fr. Seban Thanippallil here for the Vincentian Missions in Kerala India

August 27- SV CCD teacher meeting 6:00 p.m.

August 30- Salad bar lunch in Spring Valley 11:30 a.m.

September 2 - SV CCD parent meeting at 6:30 p.m.

September 5-6 NEW WEEKEND MASS times start

BOYCEVILLE NEWS

25-26 Financial Report - Copies of the annual financial report to the Parish for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 is available on the back table. If you have any questions, please see Judy Humpal or email her at stlukeboyceville@gmail.com.

ELMWOOD NEWS

Our Condolences: Our deepest sympathy and assurance of prayers are extended to Jeff Pelzel on the loss of his brother Terry. “O God, who alone are able to give life after death, free your servant, Terry , from all his sins, that they who believed in the Resurrection of Christ, may, when the day of resurrection comes, be united with you in glory” (Funeral Mass, Collect)

SPRING VALLEY NEWS

All are welcome to join us for the Sacred Heart of Jesus Salad Luncheon following Mass on Sunday, August 30, 2026. A Free-Will Fundraiser for Youth Programs with a sign up sheet in the back of the church to help with food or work.

The parish is looking for volunteers to be part of our new “Church Emergency/Safety Team”. There are many different needs to establish this team and thus many different skill sets will be needed. If you are interested in being part of the very first Safety Team established at Sacred Heart of Jesus parish and are willing to participate in a training meeting, please contact Beth in the central office. A meeting will then be scheduled in September to take the steps and plan what to do if there is severe weather, a fire or a medical emergency in our parish. Thank you.

The 2026-2027 CCD registration packets have been mailed out to families with children in grades 1-12. If you have not received this information, please contact Jasmine Durrence and she will mail one out to you. Classes start September 9th. The CCD Parent Registration Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 2nd starting at 6:30 p.m.

NEWS FOR ALL Thank you to all who purchased items from Blest Art last weekend. The carvings sold very well, with $5,893.75 in purchases which means so much to the Christian families in the Holy Land who depend on this work, so please know that your parishes truly made a difference.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

Witness to the Word. Share Your Stories of Faith: Help us tell the stories that matter. Our diocesan magazine, Catholic Life (reaching nearly 50,000 households), and our “Connecting the Diocese” radio show and podcast are built on one shared mission: proclaiming the Good News through the lives of ordinary Catholics. What makes them powerful is you—your faith moments, your journeys, your encounters with Christ. Everyone reading this bulletin has either experienced a transformative moment with the Lord, knows someone who has or is praying for someone to encounter Him. Sharing these stories isn’t just inspiring—it’s going out on mission. It brings others to Christ and helps us live out the Great Commission. A quick scan takes people to a mobile-friendly form with just three short questions. That’s all it takes to suggest a story. Our Faith, our magazine, our podcast - your stories.

Mass INTENTIONS

For all the faithful who have died and for the sick, we pray in 2026

August 25 Tuesday Mass in Elmwood
7:00 p.m. +Dale Jensen (Greg Fesenmaier)

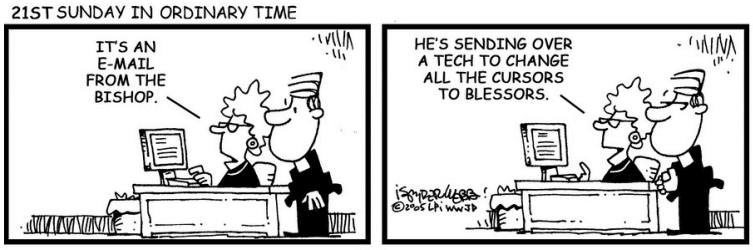
August 26 Wednesday Mass in Spring Valley
6:15 p.m. +Bryce Mark (Craig & Beth Ingli)

August 27 Thursday Mass In Boyceville
10:00 a.m. *Missa pro populo*

August 28 Friday Mass at Welcome Home
10:00 a.m. +Ric Sailer (Dick Fritz)

August 29 Saturday Vigil Mass in Elmwood
7:00 p.m. + Dale & Mary Ann Jensen (Roxanne Taplin)

August 30 Sunday Mass
8:30 a.m. in Boyceville ~Sam & Ariel Hughes (Paul & Rita Zimmerman)
10:30 a.m. in Spring Valley
+Faye Howard Johnson (Mary Ann Richardson)



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Elmwood Aug 29th at 7:00 p.m.		**Spring Valley** Aug 30th at 10:30 a.m.
Barb C.	**Lectors**	Joe / Ruth
Pat	**Extraordinary Ministers**	(S) Anne / Denise Katie / Darlene
Eli / Amber	**Mass Servers**	Porter/Landon Lukas
Volunteers	**Ushers/ Hospitality**	Matt / Jim
Volunteer	**Rosary/Music**	Sacred Heart Choir

Please send Bulletin Announcements to: admin@shsv.diolcparish.org
News for the August 30th bulletin is due by 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 26th

We welcome, Fr. Seban Thanippallil V.C, a Vincentian Missionary Priest from India, to our parish this weekend to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He will share his missionary experience at all the Masses this weekend and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions. The Vincentian Missionaries need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities in their missions. They also request our special financial support for the training of young men studying for priesthood. There will be special collection today to help the Missionary work of the Vincentian Missionaries. We urge you to be very generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help. If you did not have an opportunity to make an offering today or would like to make an additional offering, you may make your offering through the general parish collection next weekend in a specially marked envelope. **Checks should be made out to your parish (St. Luke or Sacred Heart) with "Mission Coop" in the memo.** Thank you very much for your prayers and generous financial support. The Vincentian Missionaries keep you and our parish in their prayers and Masses.

Virtues: Valor, Explained!

Though valor itself is not a cardinal or theological virtue, as a Latin-based word that means "strength," we often associate it with the gift of fortitude.Specifically, it conjures an image of fortitude on the battlefield — of fidelity to the good fight, regardless of the coming attack. When Christ presides at the Last Supper in the Gospel of John, he speaks to his Apostles of the persecutions that will soon be suffered by him and by them. He also speaks of the Advocate (the Holy Spirit) who will "guide you to all truth" — a significant choice, since fortitude is not only a virtue, but a gift of the Holy Spirit. "Behold, the hour is coming...when each of you will be scattered...and you will leave me alone," Christ tells them. "But I am not alone, because the Father is with me." In the world, he concludes, there will be pain and suffering. "But take courage, I have conquered the world." (John 16:13-33).