
NEWS & VIEWS

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Happy New Year!

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Bulletin items should be turned into Pastor or Brenda by Wednesday of each week. Pastor's email address is lseafert@gmail.com and Brenda's is bsrivet@yahoo.com. **News & Views articles** are due on the 25th of each month. Please put them in the tray labeled "Secretary" located on the information desk in the foyer of the church or send your News & Views articles to Brenda Rivet by email.

Thank you,

Brenda Rivet
Church Secretary
684-6751 or 450-2092



Church website: saintbartskawkawlin.com.

School website:

www.saintbartskawkawlin.com/school.

It's that time of year again! Please have all year-end reports and financials to me by February 1, 2019. I would like to complete the Annual Report by the second week of February. Following are the committees from which I usually receive reports:

1. President
2. PTO
3. Ladies Aid
4. Board of Elders
5. Board of Education
6. Board of Trustees
7. Sunday School
8. Youth Group
9. Day School
10. Marty Rase Endowment Fund
11. Ushers Report
12. Outreach Program
13. Worker Training Fund
14. Finance Committee

Thank you!
Brenda Rivet



School will return from Christmas break on Monday, January, 7th. The Second Quarter ends on Friday, January 18th. Report cards will be sent home on Friday, January 25th. The Bay County Bookmobile will be visiting our school on Wednesday, January 2nd and 23rd. Please note the time changes: the bookmobile will be at our school from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm. The Bookmobile is open to the public. Everyone is welcome.

Our next chapel service is set for Friday, January 25th. It will take place at church at approximately 8:45 am. Everyone is welcome to attend. Students from Preschool - 2nd grade will be singing in church at the 9:00 am service on Sunday, January 27th.



We are beginning to take Preschool applications for the 2019-2020 school year. Our Preschool is open to all members of St. Bartholomew and to non-members of our community from the ages of 3-5 years old. If you have any questions or need information, please contact Mrs. Wakefield or Principal Boileau at 684-6751.

In Service to Our Lord,
Mr. Boileau

School's Extended Care Fees and Times

Cost = \$5.00 per hour for the first child.
\$4.00 per hour for additional siblings

Times = 7:00am – 8:00am Mon – Fri
11:30am – 6:00pm Tues & Thursday

Self Assessment & Adjustment Program (SAA)

Our Congregation voted to participate in the congregation counseling program offered by our synod in a voter's meeting back in January of 2018. That process is now beginning for our congregation. The process requires us as a congregation to work together in the next two months to compile the information that is needed for our counselor to review so that he can properly access the ministry we are conducting at St. Bartholomew. The first step is a Self- assessment in which the goal is to have every communicant member participate in what is called a pulse survey. It is an on-line survey that is used so that all the information can be tabulated and assembled for our counselor. In the weeks to come more information will be given about this survey. The goal is to get as many members of the congregation to participate either through an on-line survey or through a paper version of it that will then have to be uploaded into the on-line system. We will set up a time at church for people to come in and be walked through the survey on lap tops as well. The second step will be to have our counselor on site with us for a weekend. During that weekend he will lead us through an 8 hour Bible class on Saturday, meet with groups and individuals and meet with the large group again on Sunday to review and give us a game plan going forward. As a congregation we will get out of this as much as we put into it. The more people that participate the more our congregation will benefit. The weekend our counselor will be here with us is scheduled for February 23-24. More information will be coming on a weekly basis.

Pulse Survey Link

The correct link for the Pulse Survey is <https://welsccc.survey.fm/stbarts>.

January Voters' Meeting

Our January voters' meeting will be held on January 20th at 11:30am.

EVENING SERVICE TIME SURVEY RESULTS

Acting on the input from our congregation, the Church Council is recommending to the voters in January that we officially make our Monday evening service time, as well as our Advent and Lent services, 6:30pm. They are recommending that Bible class on Monday evenings be moved up to 5:30pm and shortened to 45 minutes. Following, the Wednesday morning Bible class would also be shortened. This recommendation will be discussed at the voters' meeting in January so please plan to be there.

FINANCIAL PICTURE AT A GLANCE

Below is the total contribution amount received for the month of December. The budgeted amount for each week is \$12,679.29.

Monthly Total	\$102,456.88
Budgeted Total (4 weeks)	\$ 50,717.16
Difference	\$ 51,739.72

CHRISTMAS DINNER THANK YOU!!

A big shout of thanks to all who made the annual Ladies Aid Christmas meal and auction a great success...to Tom for our delicious meal...to our wonderful hostesses...to Doug, the great auctioneer...to the generous donors and to the more than generous guests.. We collected very close to \$3,000 and it will all be sent to missions. How wonderful!!! Thank you all.

LADIES AID

Our next Ladies Aid meeting will be held on January 10th at 6:30 pm. It will be a short business meeting where we will decide where to send the mission money. Please come with your ideas.

WELS MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

The WELS Marriage Enrichment weekend is scheduled for March 29-31, 2019. It is located in

Canton, Ohio at the Glenmoor Country Club. The cost is \$375.00 per couple, which includes all the enrichment sessions, two nights lodging, breakfast both Saturday and Sunday and lunch on Saturday. The facilitator is Pastor Randy Hunter. To register, go to www.wels.net/marriage-enrichment. Brochures with more information are located on the Information Desk at church. Relax and enjoy a romantic weekend getaway!!

TODAY'S CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT

Today's Christian Women's Retreat registration has begun. Registration materials are available at church and also online at www.tcwr.org. The retreat will be held March 22 - 24, 2019 at the Marriott Auburn Hills Pontiac Hotel, Pontiac, MI. Rooms are also available at the Courtyard by Marriott on the same campus. The theme for this year's retreat is "He Has Made Everything Beautiful in its Time" Eccl. 3:11. This year we are offering a special rate for students of \$115.00, along with speakers and topics that will appeal to young women. The password for the online registration is the word **retreat**.



FUNERALS

Three members of our St. Bartholomew Family have been called home to our Lord.

Janette Taglauer passed away on December 13th and was laid to rest on December 17th.

Justin Wood passed away on December 14 and was laid to rest on December 20th.

Margaret Ott passed away on December 20th and was laid to rest on December 22nd.

Our thoughts and prayers are with families and friends.



January

Jan 6	9:00am	D. Roseberry – L. McNally
Jan 13	9:00am	Mike Ott – Matt Hardy
Jan 20	9:00am	Tim Lisius - Mel Kruse
Jan 27	9:00am	Jim Eckinger - Al Lisius



HYMNSOFT

Sun. & Monday January 6/7 organ – O'Brien
 Sunday January 13 organ – Barb Seifert
 Monday January 14 Hymnsoft – O'Brien
 Sunday January 20 organ – Dennings
 Monday January 21 organ - Dennings
 Sunday January 27 Hymnsoft – Peil
 Monday January 28 Hymnsoft – O'Brien



MEMORIALS

*In loving memory of **Jan Taglauer**, gifts were given to the General Fund by Gary & Ruth Rowden, Earl & Gloria Dietlein, Dorothy Commire, and Ruth Kridler. Gifts were also given to the School Endowment Fund by Lynne Irving, Susan Rosecrana, Jim & Joan Schwab, and Ed & Lillian Hitz; to the Worker Training Fund by Helen Steih, Roger & Dorothy Felske, Randy Potzger, Tim Lisius, and Paul & Paula Stabnau; to the Help Thy Brethren Fund by Mike Ott and Tom & Mary Kleinert.*

*In loving memory of **Margaret Ott**, gifts were given to the General Fund by Dick Reno, Gary & Ruth Rowden, and Roger & Dorothy Felske. A*

gift was also given to the Worker Training Fund by Tim Lisius.

*In loving memory of **Richard Roesse**, gifts were given to the General Fund by Brad Shan, Roger Wesenick, Doug & Gail Anderson, Bill & Lois Leincer, Chemical Bank, Rehmann, Dan & Carol Rechsteiner, William C. Roesse, Pat & Edie Patterson, Brad & Dee Dubay, Goyette Mechanical, the Meyar family, Roy Gies, Roger & Kay Clauss, Henry & Margaret Johnson, Pam Herber, Amanda Sherry, Charles Wieland, Jeff & Pam Labodzinski, Robert Wieland family, Mel & Lorena Kruse, Carl & Nancy Wieland, Dale & Dale Schultz, Cheryl & Vern Hartman & family, Howard & Doris Rahn, Gladys Krueger, Randy & Kristine Friebe & family, Kerry Stoner, the Causley family, Patti Sharp, Penny Gaiser, and Joan Hegenauer. Gifts were also given to the Help Thy Brethren Fund by Tom & Mary Kleinert, to the Worker Training Fund by Tim Lisius, and Jim & Amy Herber and to Family Wishes from Bob Satkowiak and Jim Lambert.*

*In loving memory of **Oliver Barber**, gifts were given to the General Fund by Bob & Betty Davies, Steve & Barb Knapp, Helen Steih, John & Barb Hofmeister, Gladys Krueger, Howard & Doris Rahn, Jeannette Bijalski, Joyce & Lois Matthews, Doug & Gail Anderson, Phyllis Peil, Gary & Cathy Anklam, Michael Nitschke, Dave & Ann Prawdzik, Donny & Jodie Whitehead, John & Maxine Hemingway, Sam Hacker Jr., Gary & Ruth Rowden, Bill & Marsha Bothe, Joe & Bonnie Robbins, Roger & Dorothy Felske, and Ron & Michelle Penkala. Gifts were also given to the School Endowment Fund by Bill & Doris Horneber and Ed & Lillian Hitz; to the Worker Training Fund by Tim Lisius; to the School by Barb & Jim Tesner; to the Help Thy Brethren Fund by Tom & Mary Kleinert; and to Family Wishes by Glen & Dawn Groeschen, Ruth Toth, Linda Jackson, Janet Weber King, Dave & Lee Ann Fawley, Sue & Bill Wentworth, Clarence & Gloria Moore, and Tom & Marie Barba.*

*In loving memory of **Justin Wood**, gifts were given to the General Fund by Dave & Kay*

Marquardt, John & Barb Hofmeister, Steve & Barb Knapp, Dick Reno, Dan & Carol Rechsteiner, and Rose & Bob Moore. Gifts were also given to the School Endowment Fund by Jim & Amy Herber, Pam Behrmann & family and Ed & Lillian Hitz, to the Worker Training Fund by Tim Lisius, and to Family Wishes by Al Lisius & family, Amanda Herrera & family, and Loretta Schindler.

*In loving memory of **Don Krzysiak***, a gift was given to the General Fund by Gary & Ruth Rowden.

*In loving memory of **Alan R. Blohm***, a gift was given to the School by Roger & Dorothy Felske.

*In loving memory of **John & Elizabeth Hitz and Walter & Margaret Rotarius***, a gift was given to the School Endowment Fund by Ed & Lillian Hitz.

*In loving memory of **Vicky Falk***, a gift was given to the Endowment Fund by Jim & Amy Herber.

*In loving memory of **Tom Schindler***, a gift was given to the Stained Glass Fund by Gordon & Eileen Lange.

**Please forgive any misspelled names.



Our shut-in members are those who are for any length of time – and in most cases, permanently – unable to attend our weekly worship or our celebration of the Lord’s Supper. They are served, then, with recordings of our services and with private communion from the pastor. Please be sure to inform the pastor of any of our members who become needful of these services, and especially be sure to remember all our shut-ins with your prayers and correspondence – and even better yet, with a personal visit now and

then. *Please see your hard copy of the News & Views for our current shut in members.*