

HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish





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Weekend Mass: Saturday—4:30pm, Sunday—9:30am, 11:30am

Weekday Mass: Monday—Thursday at 8:30am

Holy Day Masses: 8:30am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm

Confession (Reconciliation): Saturdays from 3:30-4:00pm

Baptisms: Celebrated once a month at 1:00pm

Contact the rectory to register as a new parishioner or to schedule a Baptism, Wedding, Funeral, or Anointing.

May 19, 2024 Pentecost Sunday

From the Pastor's Desk

This weekend we close out the 50-day Easter season (can you believe it's already been 50 days since Easter?) Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost, which is the 3rd-most significant feast day in the Church calendar, after Easter and Christmas. Pentecost celebrates when Jesus fulfilled His promise to send the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, which consequently gave birth to the Church on earth (we refer to Pentecost as the birthday of the Church).

The prayers in the Roman Missal that we use on any given feast day often beautifully express what we celebrate on that feast day. I'd like to share, then, one of the Mass prayers that is used on the Solemnity of Pentecost, as it succinctly captures the significance of this event. There's a lot packed into this prayer, so I encourage you to reflect on it. The Preface Prayer (right before the Holy, Holy) for the Pentecost Mass says this:

"Bringing your Paschal Mystery to completion, you bestowed the Holy Spirit today on those you made your adopted children by uniting them to your Only Begotten Son. This same Spirit, as the Church came to birth, opened to all peoples the knowledge of God and brought together the many languages of the earth in profession of the one faith."

On this important day for us as members of the Body of Christ, the Church on earth, may we be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to profess our faith in all that we do.

On another note: At the time when I wrote this, the work on our new church air conditioner was wrapping up, and they were planning to test it. So, I hope that by the time you read this, it will be working smoothly. I thank you for your patience during this big project. And please note one thing: the A/C company said that because the units are new, they might emit a slight oil smell when they first start working, but that is perfectly normal.

Even though we just celebrated Mother's Day last weekend, I want to mention Father's Day, because it has to do with the Spiritual Bouquet that we are offering again. The Father's Day one will work the same as Mother's Day. For a suggested donation of \$10 per name, you can add names to the Bouquet, and these names will be printed in the bulletin on Father's Day weekend, and they will also be printed on posters that will be put on display at the front of church for all Masses on Father's Day weekend. You can begin enrolling names this weekend by visiting the table at the back of church after Mass. The deadline to request names is Sunday, June 2nd. Please remember that the names for the Spiritual Bouquet will <u>not</u> be read at the Masses (the names that are read are Mass intentions, and you can always request those at the rectory). Please also know that you can include names of anyone living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic.

Looking ahead to next weekend, Memorial Day weekend, we will have our regular 8:30am Mass here on that day. However, don't forget that Field Masses are also celebrated on the grounds of every Chicago Archdiocesan Catholic Cemetery on Memorial Day. For the schedule of Cemetery Masses and presiders, you can click on the link on our parish website (www.hvmparish.org) or go to www.catholiccemeterieschicago.org/ memorial-day.

Finally, this Sunday, May 19th, I celebrate my 23rd anniversary of priesthood ordination (I can't believe it's been 23 years!) I'm glad that it falls on a weekend this year so that I can celebrate it with you, the parishioners of HVM.

Holy Virgin Martyrs, pray for us. May God bless you.

Fr. Rob



Sunday—May 19th

- 9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family Roger Louis—Charles, req. Family Eleno Mayol, Sr. & Calexta Mayol, req. Family Lorraine Lowry, req. Albert & Cynthia Gualtier Thomas Griffin, req. Family Pearl Stanke, req. Paul & Diana Stanke Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky Matthew O'Brien, req. Family George Hoss, req. Sharon Sandri Albert & Helen Parcero, req. Family Raymond & Lena Gennetti, req. Family Donald Baumruck, req. Joe Widuch
- 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family Mary Jedziniak, req. Bernice & Zerlina Kirchen Peter H. Gregory, req. Family

Monday—May 20th

8:30—Elaine ("E") Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family John Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family

Tuesday—May 21st

8:30—Sandra Firkus, req. Ministry of Consolation

Wednesday—May 22nd

8:30—Joe Cunningham, req. Family James Cunningham, req. Family Jim Klafeta, req. Family

Thursday—May 23rd

8:30-William Berger, req. Ministry of Consolation

Saturday—May 25th

4:30—Arthur Piña Adame, req. Linda Schneider Joseph Ferrara, req. Family Joseph & Mary Traxler, req. Family Bogoslaw Walczak, req. Grace Walczak Bronislawa Adamczyk, req. Family Zbigniew Markiewicz, req. Family

Sunday—May 26th

- 9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family Thomas Griffin, req. Family Clifford Iversen, req. Judy Iversen Margaret Santiago, req. Dennis & Nancy Myszka Pearl Stanke, req. Zack & Kristina Stanke Raymond & Lena Gennetti, req. Family Albert & Helen Parcero, req. Family Maria Zbylut, req. Family Stanislawa Panek, req. Family Blanca Selsky, req. Family Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
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May 25th & 26th	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob
Lector	Ellen Melnitzke	Melanie Hohmeier	Liz Lynch
Communion Ministers	C. Schreiner S. Schreiner K. Weichbrodt	J. Losurdo L. Louis—Charles M. Morgan	M. Diaz B. Kirchen Z. Kirchen
Altar Servers	P. Cychosz N. Cychosz	J. Widuch T. Cychosz	O. Kucharczyk P. Kitlas G. Kitlas

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Religious Education News

Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen Phone: 847-671-6429 Email: religiousedcoordinator@outlook.com *Follow us on Facebook!*

Help Wanted:

Catechists & Aides Needed

The Religious Education Program is looking for volunteers to be catechists and aides for the upcoming 2024-2025 year. No previous classroom or teaching experience is necessary; all that is needed is a willingness to share your faith with the students.

The responsibilities of a catechist include: taking attendance, preparing and teaching a lesson each class and teaching traditional prayers. Teacher manuals and supplemental materials will be provided.

The responsibilities of a catechist aide include: Helping to supervise children in class, bringing the attendance and other things to the office, assisting the teacher with various tasks during class, being a substitute teacher or assisting a substitute teacher, assisting the Coordinator with tasks as needed.

Currently we need catechists in 1st Grade on Tuesdays.

Currently we need aides in the following grades: Tuesdays: 1st, 7th and 8th Grades Saturdays: 6th, 7th, and 8th Grades

Being a catechist or an aide is a wonderful experience and a great way to grow in your faith, while making a difference in the lives of our students.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact the Religious Education office.

Congratulations

I'd like to congratulate the following students who earned perfect attendance this year!

<u>Kindergarten</u> Lincoln Feliciano

<u>1st Grade</u> Natalia Aguilar Xavier Rios Jaiden Uribe

<u>2nd Grade</u>

Alina Feliciano Daniel Lollino

<u>3rd Grade</u> Emma Chavez

<u>4th Grade</u> Giovanni Lollino Victor Picasso Jazelle Uribe

<u>5th Grade</u> Jayden Annoreno Kellan Lally

<u>7th Grade</u> Gemma Davila Paul Pascua

<u>8th Grade</u>

Gianna Bernabei Patty Cychosz Diego Mendoza Raymond Ortin

Hypod Winner May 13, 2024

\$100 Winner—Chris Hohmeier Tickets are still available in the pamphlet rack in the back of church or from the Rectory during the week!

_Parish Support

Week of May 4th & 5th			
Weekly	\$5,936.03		
Maintenance	\$88.00		
Fuel & Heat	\$68.00		
Ascension	\$35.00		
Catholic Charities	\$13.00		
MANY THANKS!			

Second Collections:

The second collection on May 26th is for Parish Maintenance Please be as generous as you can.



Come, Holy Spirit Veni Spiritus

If you would ever like to bring up the gifts during Mass, please let the ushers know before Mass. Anyone is welcome to be a gift bearer.

Pray For

Those Who Are Sick:

Betty Bajzek, Char Banyai, Laura Biagini, Sonia Bonacci, Frank Bosco, Pat Brandolino, Gus Campeotto, Bernie Cwan, Phyllis DiBenedetto, Efren Favela, Joseph & Beatrice Giannone, Rose & Pat Glasso, Judy Golab, Karla Gosinski, Ruth Gosinski, Basilia Herrera, Howard Heidorn, Mary Hinterlong, Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz, Michael & Vivian Jennings, Brian Kelly, Patti King, Joyce Knauss, Leonard Kuffer, Marguerite Kramer, Joan Lester, Reina Lopez, Vicky Majewski (nee Julitz), Ann Macey, Genevieve Mastalerz, Carole McCreery, Bryan McIntyre, David Medo, Barbara Miller, Pat Morgan, Julie Parkinson, Nancy Piatek, Deacon Ron Pilarski, Joseph Powyszynski, Barbara Rodgers, Kathv Sassolino. Cathy æ Steve Schreiner. Kim Schulz-Malkowski, Sue Schuyler, Susan Siekierski, Jacqueline Spejcher, Pat Sullivan, Sarah Tripoli, Joan & Bill Weichbrodt, Jean Wesolowski, Nancy Wright

Those in the Military

Sergeant Michael Bavone, Private Christopher Bavone, US Army Staff Sergeant John J. Schreiner, U.S.A.F. Sergeant Michael Keaty, HN Nathan Wrobbel US Navy, U.S.M.C. Gunnery Sergeant Osvaldo Rodriguez, U.S.M.C. Kyle E. Ruth, Omar Vee, Jr., First Lieutenant Justin Hunt, US Army Michael Gutierrez US Army PFC Matthew Gonzales



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Receive The Blessed Sacrament of Holy Communion

HVM Ministers of Care can bring Holy Communion to our parishioners who are Homebound or Sick. If you or someone you know would like to receive Holy Communion, or would like to know more about this rewarding ministry, then please contact Nancy Ryan (parish nurse) either by leaving a message at the rectory or email at: <u>anne.ryan@ascension.org</u>.

FATHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

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Memorial envelopes are available in the back of the church at the weekend Masses from May 18th to June 2nd. If you want your father's name to appear in the special <u>FATHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE</u> in the bulletin, you must fill out one donation envelope for each name you'd like to enroll and return it in the regular collection or to the rectory office by <u>Sunday</u>, June 2nd (Suggested donation - 10.00 per name.)

Also, Father's Day cards are available, if you would like to give the spiritual bouquet as a gift. (PLEASE NOTE – THE NAMES WILL <u>NOT</u> BE READ AT THE MASSES BUT WILL BE PUT ON A POSTER IN FRONT OF THE ALTAR ON FATHER'S DAY.)

Walking With Jesus

Come out and join me on a walking journey with Jesus. I will lead a 6 week-long walking program with devotions for body and spirit. We can walk together at our own pace and learn some health tips along the way all while remembering Jesus' journey through the crucifixion and resurrection. Your time is precious, and this program will only take up a small part of your morning.

When: On a Monday or a Wednesday around 9am after morning Mass. The planned dates are: Wednesday, May 15, Wednesday, May 22, Wednesday, May 29, Monday, June 6th, Wednesday, June 12th, Monday, June 17th. Come rain, come shine! If the weather is not cooperating we can walk inside the Church.

Why: To increase walking and make simple lifestyle changes for improvement of health while sharing our faith.

You can contact me through the rectory if you have any questions. There may be a chance of a date change if a conflict occurs with a church maintenance project. I look forward to starting a healthy journey alongside you!

Blessings and Health to you, Anne (Nancy) Ryan, RN Faith Community Nurse



Rest in Peace "It is a holy and wholesome thought that we pray for the dead," please remember: Sandra Firkus and William Berger in your prayers.

Women's Club Brunch

The Holy Virgin Martyrs Women's Club will be holding their end of the year brunch and officer installation on Saturday, June 1st at the Great Escape Restaurant in Schiller Park. Seating begins at 11:30am and the brunch will begin at 12:00pm. Tickets are \$30 per person and will be available in the back of church after Mass until May 19th.



Knights of Columbus

Ave Maria Social Outing

We invite all Holy Virgin Martyrs families, to join us for a fun night at the

Chicago Dogs Game



Friday, May 31 – "Bark at the Park" **Tickets @ \$16** Free Chicago Dogs Hat with each ticket purchase



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