



# Mother of Perpetual Help PARISH

West Allis

JANUARY  
**28**  
2024

**MPH EAST**      **MPH WEST**  
2322 S. 106th Street    1212 S. 117th Street

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



## OUR PARISH MISSION

We are a dynamic faith community, truthful to Catholic teaching, spiritually nourishing, united in the Eucharist, reaching out and accompanying one another through engaging ministries, witnessing the gospel through the example of our lives.



**4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee. - Mk 1:28

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## Mass Times

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm (MPH West)

**Sunday:** 8:30 am, 10:30 am,  
7:00 pm (MPH East)

**Week Days:** 8:00 am (MPH East)  
(Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and First Saturdays)  
Tuesdays (School Year)  
8:00 am (MPH West)

**Office Mailing Address**

1121 S. 116th Street  
West Allis, WI 53214

**Parish Office Hours:**

8:30 - 4:30 pm Monday - Friday 1:00 pm

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## PARISH OFFICE / STAFF

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### Celebrating the Sacraments

**Baptism** call the parish office to register for Baptism.

**Reconciliation (Confession)** is celebrated on the First Saturday of the month at 8:30 am and on Wednesdays after the 8:00 am Mass.

**Anointing of the Sick** Will be celebrated the last weekend of the month after all Masses. Also, you may request anointing by calling the pastor or the parish office.

**Weddings** Please call the Parish office to make arrangements no later than 6 months prior to your anticipated date.

### MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

The Chapel Candle at the 106th St. Site is burning this month  
**In Loving Honor of Ed Renner**



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## MASS INTENTIONS



### FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024**

**4:00 PM** Living and Deceased Members of Our Parish (West Site)

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024**

**8:30 AM** † Tim Herrell (East Site)

**10:30 AM** † Marion Gaeth (East Site)

**7:00 PM** † Michael Palm (East Site)

**MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2024**

**8:00 AM** † Fr. Jeff Prasser (East Site)

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2024**

**8:00 AM** Holy Souls in Purgatory (West Site)

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2024**

**8:00 AM** † Beth Varela (East Site)

**FIRST FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024**

**8:00 AM** † Gaye Pellant (East Site)

**FIRST SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024**

**8:00 AM** Sarah Hunt (East Site)

**4:00 PM** † Shirley Kewan (West Site)

**Mother of Perpetual Help  
Adoration Chapel  
2322 S. 106 St. West Allis**

**Mondays and Wednesdays**

**9:00 AM - 8:00PM**

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**

**8:00 AM - 8:00 PM**



### Just a Reminder:

To schedule Masses for the 2024 year, please stop in at the parish office. The parish secretary, who handles the scheduling of Masses, can help you. If you are unable to stop at the parish office, you can call 414-453-5192 and we will be happy to assist you over the phone.



## REFLECTIONS FROM FR. MATTHEW

**All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him."**

This week's Gospel from **Mark 1:21-28** shares with us the very first day of Christ's public ministry, and how his messianic power began to be manifested to those who saw and heard him. The Jews of Capernaum were "astonished" at his teaching and "amazed" at his power over the evil spirits. "What is this," they asked one another, "a new teaching and the unclean spirits obey him!" But they were still a long way from recognizing him for what he was, the Messiah and Son of God. This is as might be expected, the astounding mystery of the incarnation was way beyond human expectation or human imagination. And it was our Lord's own plan to reveal this mystery, slowly and gradually, so that when the chain of evidence had been completed by his resurrection, his followers could look back and see each link in that chain. Then they would be ready to accept without hesitation the mystery of the incarnation and realize the infinite love and power of God that brought it about.

Jesus' way of teaching starkly contrasts with that of the scribes, as seen in the Gospel reading. The scribes, though knowledgeable, lacked the ability to connect deeply with the common people. Their teachings often hovered in the realm of theory, detached from the lived realities of those they were meant to guide. Jesus, on the other hand, spoke from real life. His authority was rooted not just in knowledge but in experience and empathy. He spoke of the Kingdom of God using parables and examples that resonated with the everyday experiences of His listeners.

This approach made His teachings accessible and transformative. It wasn't about complicated theological arguments but about truth presented in a way that reached hearts and minds. In our own lives, when we share our faith with others, are we speaking from real life? Do we connect our understanding of God's word with the practical realities people face every day? Speaking from real life means making faith relevant and accessible, just as Jesus did.

**REVIVAL IS ABOUT LETTING GOD CHANGE US, IN ANY WAY HE WILLS.**

### Eucharistic Revival

*"I have come to recognize the Real Presence in the Eucharist in a special way. For me, the Real Presence is the timelessness of God present in a world that is constantly changing and rushing*

*by me. The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist grounds me in faith amidst an uncertain and sometimes hostile world. When everything else is changing around me, I am reminded in the Eucharist that 'Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.'"*

*(Josh Perry - Director of the Office of Worship—  
Diocese of Burlington, Vermont)*

***"Just as by melting two candles together you get one piece of wax so I think one who receives the flesh and blood of Jesus is fused together with Him..."***

***St. Cyril of Jerusalem***

### de Chantal Gatherings for Women



Women are invited to Saint Francis de Sales Seminary on **Tuesday, February 27** to pray for vocations to the priesthood. The gatherings will be led by Fr. James Kubicki, SJ. The sessions include Eucharistic Adoration, spiritual formation, and hospitality. Gatherings will begin at 9:30 am and 7:00 pm at the Seminary, 3257 South Lake Drive, St. Francis. Please RSVP to [lbrielmaier@sfs.edu](mailto:lbrielmaier@sfs.edu) or call (414)747-6463. Enjoy some quiet time with the Lord in the beauty of the Seminary!

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

- Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/  
1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
- Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3,  
4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/  
Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/  
Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/  
1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13
- Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9,  
10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
- Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13,  
14/Mk 6:30-34
- Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
(see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/  
Mk 1:29-39



## Calling all men young and old

Save the Date: **March 9<sup>th</sup> 2024**

for the **Men of Christ Conference.**

This Year's theme is **"Mastering What Matters."**

Mother of Perpetual Help will once again host, as a site for virtual live feed.

The morning will feature well known speakers, rosary, Mass, breakfast, confession and fellowship.

Register at [menofchrist.net](http://menofchrist.net) or contact John Czepulis 414-541-0817, Devan Gracyalny 414-801-6886, or John Gomez 414-861-1101 for more information.

The **Parishioner Engagement Committee** was formed to bring our faith community together and energize our parishioners through events held at Mother of Perpetual Help.

### First Event!

We invite you to join our **Pickleball** event on **Saturday, February 10th** from 12-3 PM at the Parish Center gym. All ages and skill levels are welcome! Please put this date on your calendar and we are excited to see you there. If you have any questions or would like to attend please contact **Don Pederson (414) 418-4141.**



## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

### FISH FRY

**Friday, February 2nd**

**4:30-7:00pm**

**MQSCA School Building  
Cafeteria**

**Entrance is on S. 117th Street  
(Live Music provided by  
Jim Madritsch)**



Baked or fried cod,  
fried shrimp,  
French fries,  
parsley buttered  
potatoes, green  
beans, rye bread,  
homemade desserts

Adult dinners — \$15.00  
Kids ages 5 to 11 — \$5.00  
Kids 4 and under eat free  
**Take-outs available!  
Credit Cards Accepted**

## St. Ben's Community Meal

**February dates:**

**Serving Monday, Feb. 19**

**Sandwich Making/Bagging Thursdays, 15th & 22nd  
at 8AM at 106th Kitchen**

**Food Delivery Thursday dates 8-9:30 AM or  
2-3:30 PM to 106th Kitchen**

**Contact Kathy: to donate/serve**

**Questions/volunteer:**

Kathy Smith 414-453-5192x125 or [kathy@mphwa.org](mailto:kathy@mphwa.org)  
Blessings to all who help with this ministry!



**'Save the Date'**

**Saturday, February 24th**

Registration is open! For more information or to pick up a form call the parish office (414) 453-5192.

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### MONDAY, January 29, 2024

8:45 AM New Human Life Writers Mtg. - ND (106 St.)  
9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)  
5:30 PM SVDP Meeting - BH (116 St.)

### TUESDAY, January 30, 2024

10:00 AM Book Buzz - BH (116 St.)  
7:00 PM Rosary - Church (106 St.)

### WEDNESDAY, January 31, 2024

8:45 AM Sunday's Scripture Session - ND (106 St.)  
9:00 AM MPH Helping Hands - BH (116 St.)  
9-11 AM MPH Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)  
9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)

### THURSDAY, February 1, 2024

6:00 PM PEC Meeting - ND (106 St.)  
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Church (106 St.)

### FRIDAY, February 2, 2024

4:30 PM Fish Fry - MQSCA Hall (116 St.)

### SATURDAY, February 3, 2024

7:00 AM Men's Scripture Study - BH (116 St.)  
9:00 AM Confirmation Retreat (St. John's Evang. Church)  
9:30-11:30 AM MPH Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**\*Reminder:** The 1st Sunday of every month in the same building Parent/Guardian Coffee and Chat with the Pastor, 9:30-10:30 am.

**February Classes are:**      **\* Sunday, February 4th**  
   **Sunday, February 11th**  
   **Sunday, February 18th**

**Please Note:** Families are welcome to sign up for the Mother of Perpetual Help Religious Education program at any time. We welcome any students from PreK through 11th grade. Come join us for our next class. We look forward to seeing you!! Contact the parish office.

# MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

## HUMAN CONCERNS/OUTREACH

Director: Kathy Smith 414-453-5192 ext. 125  
 Kathy@mphwa.org.

### LENT BEGINS ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Which is right around the corner!  
 Our Lenten outreach will again be the Congo  
 Helping Hands missionary group

They have recently suffered some major losses of  
 their solar water equipment due to severe flooding  
 so we will be raising funds to help restore that  
 equipment. Prayers, are also much appreciated!

## MQSCA SCHOOL

Principal: Nick Lee 414-476-0751  
 leen@mqscateacher.org



### Catholic Schools Week January 28 - February 3


- Monday: Celebrate our Community  
 Dress up: Favorite era
- Tuesday: Celebrate our Parish  
 Dress up: Wacky Day
- Wednesday: Celebrate our Families  
 Dress up: Class color
- Thursday: Celebrate our Teachers & Staff  
 Dress up: Teacher and student (swap)
- Friday: Celebrate our Students  
 Dress up: PJ Day

**MQSCA Open House**  
 Thursday, February 1, 2024  
 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm


**SAVE THE DATE**  
 ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE  
**PALLIUM Lecture**

An annual event to foster conversation and engage the  
 broader culture through the Catholic intellectual tradition

*“How Catholic Art Saved the Faith –  
 The Triumph of Beauty and Truth”*  
 A tour-de-force visual presentation

 **Dr. Elizabeth Lev**  
 Art Historian, Author  
 and Tour Guide

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024 | 7 P.M.**  
 Brookfield Conference Center  
 325 S. Moorland Road, Brookfield, WI 53005

[www.archmil.org/  
 PalliumLecture](http://www.archmil.org/PalliumLecture) 

*This event is free and open to the public,  
 but registration is required*

Meijer will **double match** any cards  
 purchased on  
**Saturday, March 2  
 & 23**, effectively  
 tripling  
 contributions  
 made on that day.

The Winter campaign runs now until  
**March 30 at the Meijer Greenfield Store at  
 60<sup>th</sup> & Layton benefiting our  
 MPH Food Pantry**

**give**

together,  
 we can help end  
 hunger in our  
 community.

with just \$10, you can provide  
 meals to local pantries serving  
 families in need.

together, we can provide  
 a helping for those in need.

With your help, we can provide meals  
 for our hungry neighbors.

## Ministry Schedules for February 4, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

|                       | Saturday, February 3<br>4:00 pm Mass | Sunday, February 4<br>8:30 am Mass  | Sunday, February 4<br>10:30 am Mass                                | Sunday, February 4<br>7:00 pm Mass  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Lector                | Neil Peterson                        | Rebecca Lockett<br>Bob Lockett  | Monica Blagg<br>Julie Herbst                                       | Andrew Wagner   |
| Eucharistic Ministers | TBD                                  | TBD   | TBD  | TBD   |
| Ushers                | Tom Cannek<br>Maggie Cannek          | Ed Kuske<br>Rich Barthel<br>Mark Lancour<br>Bernie Hintzke<br>Kathy Hintzke | Susan Scharmach<br>Ray Ciszewski<br>Gil Van Blaricom<br>Rick Stenz | Rick Raetz<br>Tom Healy<br>Allan Muckerheide<br>Joe Kujawa<br>Bob Lewicki |