

Mother of Perpetual Help

FEBRUARY 2024

West Allis

MPH East MPH WEST 2322 S. 106th Street 1212 S. 117th Street





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.

Mass Times

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

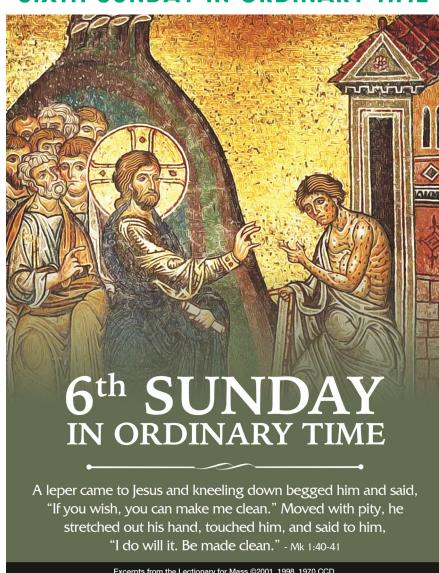
Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 7:00 pm (MPH East)

Week Days: 8:00 am (MPH East) (Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and First

Saturdays)

Tuesdays (School Year) 8:00 am (MPH West)

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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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.

<u>Weddings</u> Please call the Parish office to make arrangements no later than 6 months prior to your anticipated date.

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The Sacred Heart Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month In Loving Memory of the Haevers Family

The Immaculate Heart Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month In Loving Memory of Thomas J. Brown

The Mary Candle at 106th St. Site is burning this month

In Loving Memory of Michael Yanacheck

MASS INTENTIONS



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024 4:00 PM † Ferd and Arlene Haevers

(West Site)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

8:30 AM † Fr. Jeff Prasser (East Site)

10:30 AM † In Loving Memory of Thomas J.

Brown (East Site)

7:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of

Our Parish (East Site)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024

8:00 AM † Shirley Kewan (East Site)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024

8:00 AM † Kathy Marx (West Site)

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

7:00 AM John Harrits (East Site)

8:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of

Our Parish (West Site)

12:00 Noon † Bob Meier (East Site) 6:00 PM Henry Harrits (East Site)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024

8:00 AM † Beth Varela (East Site)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024

4:00 PM † Bob and †Marie Gawronski

(West Site)

Prayers

We extend our sympathy to the Herro family on the death of Mary Herro. May she rest in peace and be risen to eternal glory!





CONGRATUALTIONS TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Child: Hudson Crew Kalkopf
Parents: Kyle Kalkopf / Sarah Toms

Child: Logan Apollo Eisold

Parents: Joshua Michael Eisold / Kate Lynelle Roessger



REFLECTIONS FROM FR. MATTHEW

"I do will it. Be made clean" Mk 1:40-45

In the Gospel for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, Mark 1:40-45, we witness a profound moment where Jesus, moved by compassion, heals a man afflicted with leprosy. This encounter isn't just a miraculous healing; it's a testament to Jesus' radical approach to love and inclusion. By reaching out to touch the leper, Jesus breaks societal norms and religious laws that dictate purity.

This act is revolutionary, signifying that no person is beyond the reach of God's love. Jesus' willingness to become "unclean" to restore another's health and dignity challenges us to reconsider our own attitudes towards the marginalized and the outcast in our society. It invites us to ask ourselves: Are we willing to extend our hands and hearts, even if it means crossing the boundaries of our comfort zones?

In the narrative of the leper's healing, we observe the power of faith in action. The leper's humble request, "If you wish, you can make me clean," is a poignant expression of unwavering belief in Jesus' capacity to heal not just the body, but the very essence of a person's life.

This plea embodies a deep-seated trust, acknowledging Jesus' authority over illness and societal exclusion. Jesus' affirmative response, "I do will it. Be made clean," serves as a powerful declaration of his willingness to restore and purify. This act of healing transcends the physical realm, reinstating the leper's place within the social and religious fabric of the community, thus highlighting the holistic nature of divine healing.

This encounter between Jesus and the leper underscores the dynamic nature of faith as an active, living force that challenges us to place our trust in God's will, even amidst life's uncertainties and trials. It serves as a poignant reminder that our faith, when genuinely embraced, becomes a wellspring of strength and transformation, capable of guiding us toward a path of healing, restoration, and ultimately, wholeness. As we navigate the complexities of our own lives, this story invites us to lean into our faith, trusting in God's timing and providence, and to embrace the potential for healing and renewal in our own journey.

As the church observes the World Day of the Sick today, let us also reach out to those who are sick, alone and are suffering with the compassionate love of Christ, touching them with our healing presence and love.

Eucharistic Revival



This year of Eucharistic Revival is a time to learn more about the love, grace, and beauty of the Eucharist. Do you have questions about the Eucharist, the Mass, or even why we gather to celebrate Jesus week after week, day after day? Cards are available near the

baptismal font at each site to submit your questions. Please place the completed card in the white basket.

Thank you, The Eucharistic Revival Team.

"In that little Host is the solution to all of the problems of the world." (St. John Paul II)

Ash Wednesday February 14th MPH Mass Schedule

7:00 AM 106th St. Site 8:00 AM 116th St. Site 12:00 Noon 6:00 PM 106th St. Site 106th St. Site





Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. (106th St. & Lincoln)
Wednesday, February 21
Wednesday, February 28
Wednesday, March 6
Wednesday, March 13
Stations on March 20
Parish Mis

(No Stations on March 20 - Parish Mission) Wednesday March 27

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the week of February 11, 2024

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/

1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/

Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/

Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Ps 51:3-4,

5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 6:1-6,

16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/

Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab,

18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/

Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

(see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15



MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS XXXII WORLD DAY OF THE SICK February 11, 2024

"It is not good that man should be alone" (Gen2:18) Healing the Sick by Healing Relationships

From the beginning, God, who is love, created us for communion and endowed us with an innate capacity to enter into relationship with others. Our lives, reflecting in the image of the Trinity, are meant to attain fulfilment through a network of relationships, friendships and love, both given and received. We were created to be together, not alone. Precisely because this project of communion is so deeply rooted in the human heart, we see the experience of abandonment and solitude as something frightening, painful and even inhuman. This is all the more the case at times of vulnerability, uncertainty and insecurity, caused often by the onset of a serious illness.

Brothers and sisters, the first form of care needed in any illness is compassionate and loving closeness. To care for the sick thus means above all to care for their relationships, all of them: with God, with others – family members, friends, healthcare workers, with creation and with themselves.

Let us remember this central truth in life: we came into the world because someone welcomed us; we were made for love; and we are called to communion and fraternity. This aspect of our lives is what sustains us, above all at times of illness and vulnerability. It is also the first therapy that we must all adopt in order to heal the diseases of the society in which we live. At this time of epochal change, we Christians in particular are called to adopt the compassion-filled gaze of Jesus. Let us care for those who suffer and are alone, perhaps marginalized and cast aside. With the love for one another that Christ the Lord bestows on us in prayer, especially in the Eucharist, let us tend the wounds of solitude and isolation. In this way, we will cooperate in combating the culture of individualism, indifference and waste, and enable the growth of a culture of tenderness and compassion.

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 10 January 2024

Lenten Reflection Books

The Word Among Us and Little Black Books
Are available at both sites—be sure to pick one up!



Attention Men: You're invited to join the 2024 Men of Christ conference—Mastering What Matters—which will be held in parishes across the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, including our parish—with both virtual and live elements. The morning will feature well-known speakers, Mass, Confession and fellowship. Get all the details and register at MenOfChrist.net

When: Saturday, March 9, 2024

Where: Mother Of Perpetual Help Parish, Mass in Church, breakfast and conference in the parish center.

Time: 7:00 A.M. Rosary, 7:30 A.M. Mass with program to follow, ends at 12:30 P.M.

Register at MenOfChrist.net Feel free to contact us: John Czepulis 414-541-0817, Devan Gracyalny 414-801-6886 or John Gomez 414-861-1101 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

February Classes are: Sunday, February 11th Sunday, February 18th

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm on Tuesday, February 13th for an off site staff meeting.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, February 11, 2024

9:40 AM Faith Formation Classes - All PC, ND (106 St.)

MONDAY, February 12, 2024

8:45 AM New Human Life Writers Mtg. - ND (106 St.)

9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)

TUESDAY, February 13, 2024

9:00 AM Sandwich Ministry - Ki (106 St.)
11:00 AM Staff Meeting - Uncarpt. Rm (106 St.)
12:00 Noon Stock Box Distribution - Gym (106 St.)
5:30 PM Social Committee Meeting - ND (106 St.)

7:00 PM Rosary - Church (106 St.)

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 14, 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 15, 2024

8:00 AM
2:00 PM
St. Ben's Sandwich Assembly - Ki (106 St.)
St. Ben's Sandwich Delivery - Ki (106 St.)
Choir Rehearsal - Church (106 St.)

FRIDAY, February 16, 2024

4:30 PM Fish Fry - MQSCA Hall - (116 St.) 5:00 PM School Dance - Gym (106 St.)

SATURDAY, February 17, 2024

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

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HUMAN CONCERNS/OUTREACH

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

LENT BEĞINS ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

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. We will be raising funds to help restore their equipment and install new equipment in new areas of the DRC. Prayers, are also much appreciated!



Our HC Committee together with some of our Religious Education catechists and students, & parishioner bakers, are putting together Valentines with cupcakes, for our homebound parishioners this weekend!

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

Ouestions/volunteer:

Kathy Smith 414-453-5192x125 or kathy@mphwa.org Blessings to all who help with this ministry!



Christian Women Meeting Tuesday, February 13th 1:00pm

Notre Dame Room

Guest Speaker is Kathy Smith from the St. Vincent DePaul Society. This meeting is a makeup date of the January meeting that was canceled because of bad weather. All women are welcome to attend.

HELP CENTER Warm Hearts. Warm Clothes.



Volunteers needed

Dooking for a volunteer opportunity where you can directly impact the community? Fr. Gene's Help Center needs volunteers to sort clothing and help client shoppers. To learn more, scan the QR code.

MQSCA SCHOOL

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

2024-2025 Enrollment for MQSCA is now OPEN! Call the school for more information.

Catholic Schools Week Celebrations





Students dressed as Mr. Lee for Student Teacher Swap Day. Students and families enjoying donuts together for our family appreciation day.



Saturday, February 24th

Doors open at 6:00 pm, starts at 7:00 pm

For more information call the parish office (414) 453-5192.

Pro-Life Quote of the Week

"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of a husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being that they will love and care for together."

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LENTEN FISH FRY DATES:
February 16, March 1 & 15

Held in the School Cafeteria (MQSCA) 1212 S. 117th St. from 4:30-7:00 PM Enter the door to the right of the main church entrance marked with signage (no steps) Adults \$15 (extra fish \$3)

Children 3-10 \$5 (choice of fish, pizza or hot dog & includes the sides)

Dessert, Coffee, Water, Milk, Chocolate Milk included
Wine. Beer & Soda available

Live music with Jim Madritsch duo Dine in or carryout; credit cards accepted