



# Mother of Perpetual Help

## PARISH

West Allis

FEBRUARY  
**25**  
2024

Second Sunday of Lent



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.

- Mk 9:7-8

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### Mass Times

<b>Saturday:</b>	4:00 pm (MPH West)
<b>Sunday:</b>	8:30 am, 10:30 am, 7:00 pm (MPH East)
<b>Week Days:</b>	8:00 am (MPH East) (Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and First Saturdays) Tuesdays (School Year) 8:00 am (MPH West)

### 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



### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024**

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

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024**

**8:30 AM** † Nick Lee (East Site)  
**10:30 AM** Jason McLay (East Site)  
**7:00 PM** † Tony Healy (East Site)

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024**

**8:00 AM** † Mary Watts (East Site)

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024**

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

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024**

**8:00 AM** † Nancy Scharmach (East Site)

**FIRST FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2024**

**8:00 AM** † Mary Verhagen (East Site)

**FIRST SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024**

**8:00 AM** † Pat Sauser (East Site)  
**4:00 PM** † Florence Walczak (West Site)

### Prayers

We extend our sympathy to the Iannelli family  
on the death of **Paul Iannelli**.  
May he rest in peace and be risen to eternal  
glory!



### 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 and  
Fridays 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.



## REFLECTIONS FROM FR. MATTHEW

**“This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” ( Mark 9:2-10)**

On this second Sunday of Lent, Jesus invites us to go with him to the mountain, to be with him in prayer and reflection, and to witness his glorious transfiguration. Both the Gospel and the first reading, invites us to reflect on themes of faith, obedience, sacrifice, and transformation. They encourage us to examine our relationship with God, to deepen our trust in His plan, and to embrace the call to conversion and renewal. Engaging with these themes can inspire us to live out our Lenten practices more fully, with an eye towards the Easter promise of resurrection and new life.

Abraham displays incredible trust in God and in God’s ability to fulfill promises in new, mysterious ways. Abraham's readiness to sacrifice Isaac and Jesus' submission to His Father's will during the Transfiguration both exemplify profound obedience rooted in trust and love. These readings challenge us to deepen our own obedience to God, trusting in His goodness and guidance even when His plans for us are not immediately clear.

Transfiguration experience foreshadows Jesus' resurrection by revealing His glory before His suffering and death. Jesus' dazzling appearance and the divine voice affirming His sonship provide a glimpse of His divine nature and the glory that will follow His resurrection. This event anticipates the victory over death and the promise of new life, encouraging believers to hold onto hope through the trials of life. The cross is a scandalous and integral part of Jesus’ narrative. We cannot jump to resurrection without journeying through the pain of the cross.

We are reminded that sacrifice is not a loss but an act of faith, love, and obedience to God. Through Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac and God's ultimate sacrifice of Jesus, we learn that true sacrifice involves trust in God's plan and can lead to greater blessings and deeper relationships with God. These readings invite us to consider the sacrifices we are called to make in our own lives as expressions of faith and love.

## Eucharistic Revival

*“The Eucharist is Truly the Heart of Jesus.”*

*Blessed Carlo Acutis*



*The Eucharistic Miracles of the World*  
*Is Stopping at our Parish during our Lenten Mission*  
*on March 18 – 20, 2024*

**YOU are invited to:**  
**Our 2024 MPH Parish Lenten Mission**  
*Led by Dr. Dan Scholz*  
**March 18, 19 & 20 (Mon.-Wed.)**  
**6:30-8:00 pm**



## Jesus as the Climax of Israel’s Sacred History

**Day One: Monday, March 18:**

*God’s Plan to Rescue Us and Creation: Retrieving the Old Testament Narrative*

**Day Two: Tuesday, March 19:**

*“This is the Time of Fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand”: Understanding Jesus in his 1<sup>st</sup> century Jewish and Roman World*

**Day Three: Wednesday, March 20:**

*“We Proclaim Christ Crucified”: Paul’s Radical Message of Divine Love*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Readings for the week of February 25, 2024

- Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/ Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
- Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/ Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/ Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/ Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/ Jn 2:13-25 *Scrutiny*: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/ Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



# The “Holy Trio” of Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving

## An Examination of Conscience for Lent

### Jesus “went off to the mountain to pray.” (Mark 6:45)

- Are these subtle –or not so subtle– ways that I have ignored my relationship with God?
- Have I made time every day to meet God in prayer? Do I read, reflect, and act on his work in Scripture?
- Have I given priority to God on Sundays and holy days by attending Mass and making a special effort to seek Him?

### Return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, weeping and mourning.” (Joel 2:12)

- How much do I rely on the Lord for fulfillment, compared to the security I seek from money, possessions, or other relationships?
- Are there areas of myself that I am holding back from God—secret parts that I don’t want to expose to His light and His love?
- Are there any unhealthy attachments in my life that are keeping me from giving my whole heart to the Lord?

### “Give alms from your possessions.” (Tobit 4:7)

- Have I been a good steward of the gifts God has given me? Do I use them for His glory?
- Am I contributing to the work of the Church and of organizations that serve the needy?
- Am I doing what I can to stand up against injustice and to protect the unborn and those who are poor and marginalized?
- Are there situations in which I resist giving the “alms” of forgiveness to someone who has hurt me? Is there anyone I need to forgive or whose forgiveness I need to ask for?

## LENTEN OUTREACH 2024

Global: Congo Helping Hands  
Please make checks payable to

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with CHH on the memo line. Thank you!



**Attention Men:** You’re invited to join the 2024 Men of Christ conference on **Saturday, March 9, 2024** at our church. From 7:00 am—12:30 pm (Rosary, Mass, breakfast and talks).

Register at [MenOfChrist.net](http://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

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

March Classes are: **\*Sunday, March 3rd**  
**Sunday, March 10th**  
**Sunday, March 17th**

Please come for praying Stations of the Cross on Wednesday’s of Lent (February 28, March 6, 13, 27) at 7:00 pm



## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### MONDAY, February 26, 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.)
- 6:45 PM Evening Prayer and Rosary - Church (106 St.)

### TUESDAY, February 27, 2024

- 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Meeting - BH (116 St.)
- 6:30 PM Adoration, Benediction followed by the Rosary - Church (106 St.)

### WEDNESDAY, February 28, 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.)
- 6:00 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting - BH (116 St.)
- 6:45 PM Evening Prayer, Stations of the Cross and Rosary- Church (106 St.)
- 7:00 PM Dartball - Gym (106 St.)

### THURSDAY, February 29, 2024

- 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Church (106 St.)
- 6:45 PM Evening Prayer and Rosary - Church (106 St.)

### FRIDAY, March 1, 2024

- 4:30 PM Fish Fry - MQSCA Hall (116 St.)
- 7:00 PM Divine Mercy with Adoration and Benediction—Church (106 St.)

### SATURDAY, March 2, 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 2024 @ MPH

**JOIN US** at 5:00 PM for a "Chili Dump" Dinner in the Parish Center (2360 S. 106<sup>th</sup> St.) at the MPH East Site  
**MONDAY, MARCH 18**

*Prior to the Lenten Parish Mission With Dr. Dan Scholz at  
6:30 PM in the Church  
(2322 S. 106<sup>th</sup> St. – 106<sup>th</sup> & Lincoln)*



**NO COST**  
(mission or dinner)

Donations accepted of new socks & underwear sizes 5T to children's XL  
Going to the Milwaukee Academy for Chinese Language  
40% of students are immigrants or refugees

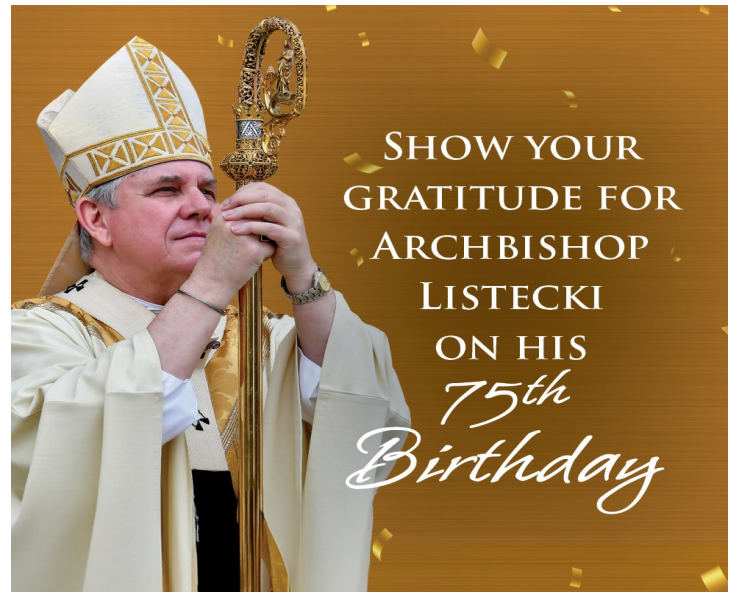
## MQSCA SCHOOL



Principal: Nick Lee 414-476-0751  
leen@mqscateacher.org  
**2024-2025 Enrollment for MQSCA is now OPEN!**

**Sip N Support School Event  
March 9th**

**Call the school for more information**



In honor of Archbishop ListECKI's upcoming birthday on March 12, we invite you to share a personal story, prayer or well wishes in thanksgiving for his spiritual leadership and guidance in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. These messages will be collected and personally shared with Archbishop ListECKI as a token of our gratitude.

**[www.archmil.org/ListECKI](http://www.archmil.org/ListECKI)**

*As required by canon law of all bishops who reach age 75, Archbishop ListECKI will submit his resignation to the Holy Father on March 12. He will continue to serve as Milwaukee's archbishop until Pope Francis accepts his retirement and appoints a new archbishop for Milwaukee, a process with no determined timeline.*

**ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE**

**St. Ben's Community Meal**  
*March dates: Serving Monday, Mar. 18*  
**Sandwich Making/Bagging Thursdays 14th & 21st**  
*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

## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP FISH FRY

**Friday, March 1st**

**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 and more!

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