

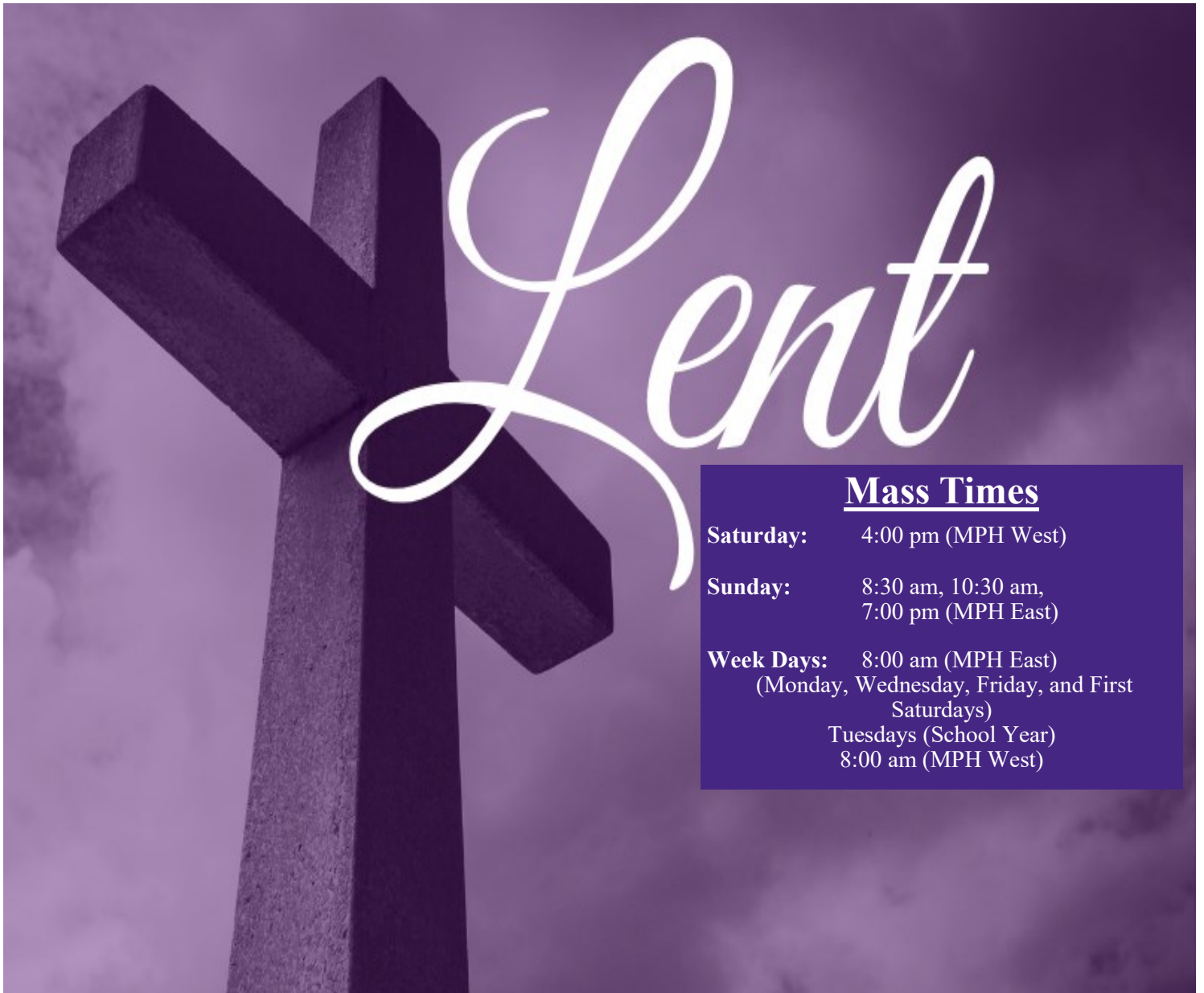


Mother of Perpetual Help
PARISH

West Allis

MARCH
10
2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent



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)

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Save the Date

Divine Mercy Sunday is coming back
to Mother of Perpetual Help on
April 7, 1:30-3PM.

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



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

The Mary Candle at 106th St. Site is
burning this month
In Loving Memory of Sammie Blagg

MASS INTENTIONS



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

4:00 PM James Rebholz Family (West Site)

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

8:30 AM † Marion Gaeth (East Site)

**10:30 AM Living and Deceased Members of
Our Parish (East Site)**

7:00 PM † Walter and † Rose Beck (East Site)

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024

8:00 AM † Leonard Bartels (East Site)

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

8:00 AM † Michael Duhn (West Site)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2024

8:00 AM Matthew Harrits (East Site)

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2024

**8:00 AM Judi Doren for blessings received
(East Site)**

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024

4:00 PM † Mary Herro (West Site)

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 no later than 6 months prior to your
anticipated date.



REFLECTIONS FROM FR. MATTHEW

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life”. (John 3:16)

The fourth Sunday of Lent is called *Laetare Sunday*. *Laetare* is a Latin word that means “rejoice.” Even as we observe our Lenten sacrifices, we rejoice in anticipation of the joy that will be ours at Easter.

Our readings this Sunday present a profound reflection on themes of longing for restoration, God's mercy and grace, the dichotomy between light and darkness, and God's unwavering love for humanity. These readings invite us to contemplate our own lives in light of God's enduring patience and willingness to forgive. They challenge us to recognize our transgressions, yet reassure us of the possibility of repentance and returning to God's grace. Through the narrative of the Babylonian exile and the words of Jesus in John 3, we are reminded of the transformative power of belief and the hope that lies in restoration.

The readings also emphasize God's mercy and grace towards humanity, despite our sinfulness. In the first reading, God is patient towards the people, giving them many chances to repent and turn back to him. In the gospel, Jesus speaks of God's love for the world, and his willingness to give his only son as a sacrifice for our sins. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people prefer the darkness.

We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God. Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven. This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives. The readings encourage us to embrace the light, acknowledge God's sacrificial love, and move towards a future where our actions are aligned with God's will. As we journey through Lent, let us hold fast to the promise of restoration and the gift of God's mercy, celebrating the profound love He has for each of us, manifested through the giving of His only Son.

“The Eucharist is Truly the Heart of Jesus.” (Blessed Carlo Acutis)

“In the entire history of the Catholic Church, there have been numerous Eucharistic miracles approved by the Catholic Church as truly worthy of belief. The **Vatican Eucharistic Miracles Photographic Exhibition** faithfully recounts many well-documented miraculous occurrences for us. Knowledge of these miracles strengthens our faith in Christ and His Church. They are visible proof of Jesus Christ’s Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. The Exhibit was created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, a 15-year-old from Milan, Italy, who was beatified on October 10, 2020. The Exhibit will be available for viewing at our parish **March 18–20**, in the church at the East site. We highly encourage you to schedule a time to view the exhibit during this Year of the Eucharistic Revival.”

Spiritual Adoption Month 6

Your spiritually adopted baby is growing quite beautifully now. His weight is approaching 2 pounds. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed.

Prayer cards are available at all entrances. Please continue to pray for an unborn child who is at risk of abortion, name your unborn child, and pray daily for them.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the week of March 10, 2024

- Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21
Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
- Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54
- Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
- Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
- Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47
- Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53
- Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/ Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



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 1st century Jewish and Roman World

Day Three: Wednesday, March 20:
"We Proclaim Christ Crucified": Paul's Radical Message of Divine Love

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

We invite you to join our **Pickleball** event on **Saturday, March 16th** 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**.



The parish would like to thank all of the volunteers who have been helping with this year's fish fry dinners. This is especially true for the very busy Lenten dinners. None of this would be possible without your efforts and support.

Thank you.
 Debbie and Jim



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

March Classes are: **Sunday, March 10th**
Sunday, March 17th

Please come for praying Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays of Lent (March 13, 27) at 7:00 pm



Pray, Reconcile & Rejoice
12 HOURS of Reconciliation

On **Wednesday, March 20, 2024**, area priests will be available for the sacrament of Reconciliation at 11 parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

www.archmil.org/Pray-Reconcile-Rejoice



Scan the code for more information.

Wednesday, March 20: 12 Hour Reconciliation
 St. Matthias Parish (9306 W. Beloit Rd.) 8 am - 8 pm

WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, March 10, 2024

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

MONDAY, March 11, 2024

8:45 AM New Human Life Writers Mtg. - ND (106 St.)
 9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)
 6:45 PM Evening Prayer and Rosary - Church (106 St.)

TUESDAY, March 12, 2024

9:00 AM Sandwich Ministry - Ki (106 St.)
 10:00 AM Book Buzz - BH (116 St.)
 12:00 Noon Stock Box Distribution - Gym (106 St.)
 1:00 PM Christian Women Mtg. - ND (106 St.)
 5:30 PM Social Committee Mtg. - ND (106 St.)
 6:45 PM Evening Prayer and Rosary - Church (106 St.)

WEDNESDAY, March 13, 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.)
 5:00 PM Human Concerns Mtg. - ND (106 St.)
 6:45 PM Evening Prayer, Stations of the Cross & Rosary - Church (106 St.)
 7:00 PM Dartball - Gym (106 St.)

THURSDAY, March 14, 2024

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

FRIDAY, Mary 15, 2024

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

SATURDAY, March 16, 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.

Next weekend, March 16, 17

Members of our Human Concerns Committee will be available after all the masses to receive your cash or check donations for our Lenten Outreach of **CONGO HELPING HANDS**

Please be sure to read today's insert about CHH

Donations may be made throughout Lent in envelopes marked with CHH

Checks should be made out to MPH with CHH in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity!

MQSCA SCHOOL



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

2024-2025 Enrollment for MQSCA is OPEN!

Call the school for more information

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP FISH FRY

Friday, March 15th

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

LENT 2024 @ MPH

JOIN US at 5:00 PM for a FREE "Chili Dump" Dinner in the Parish Center (2360 S. 106th St.) at the MPH East Site

MONDAY, MARCH 18

Prior to the 6:30 PM Lenten Parish Mission With Dr. Dan Scholz



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

MPH NEWS

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
Blessings to all who help with this ministry!

Ham & Rolls Sale

Ham and rolls will be sold after all masses next weekend, **March 16 and 17.**



THANK YOU!



THANK YOU!

To all the amazing Religious Ed Catechists, students, bakers, volunteers and Human Concerns members who participated in Valentine visits to our parish Homebound... Each one of your actions combined with those of another brought forth an abundance of smiles and well wishes in return from these very grateful recipients!! Sincere THANKS to you and God's best blessings always!!