

*Welcome to
Mother of Perpetual Help Parish
West Allis*

Website: www.mphwa.org
(414) 453-5192



Mission Statement

We are Catholics of Mother of Perpetual Help Parish in West Allis, Wisconsin. We encounter Jesus and grow as disciples through the Sacramental Life of the Church. We seek to proclaim the joy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through His life-giving and saving Death and Resurrection. We are called and sent to form new disciples through our worship, our service, and our witness, to share the joy of living the Good News in the world today.

Prayer for Our Parish

Mother of Perpetual Help,
you have been our refuge from one generation
to another.
Intercede for us now with your Son Jesus.
Help our parish to be an instrument in the
hands of God.
Unite and guide us as people of Faith, to
become more like Jesus.
May our worship give glory to God.
May our service find its model in your
discipleship.
Make us living witnesses of unfailing hope in
our troubled world.
Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for us.
AMEN

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP SITES



92ND STREET SITE
1414 S. 92nd Street



106TH STREET SITE
2322 S. 106th Street



116TH STREET SITE
1212 S. 117th Street

MASS INTENTIONS



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018

- 7:30 AM † Delores Weinberger (116 St.)
8:30 AM Couture Family (106 St.) (Choir)
9:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of Our Parish (116 St.)
10:30 AM † Pasquale Sicoli (92 St.)
11:00 AM † Joe Hurst (106 St.)
7:00 PM † Mary Janet Krauska (92 St.)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018

- 7:00 AM † Fr. Paul Esser (106 St.)
8:00 AM † Elizabeth L. Ferreira (116 St.)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018

- 8:10 AM † Robert Doren (92 St.)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2018

- 8:00 AM † Gary Guth (116 St.)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2018

- 7:00 AM Jerry Paskvan (106 St.)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2018

- 7:00 AM Elliott Children and Grandchildren (106 St.)
8:10 AM † Kevin Soczka (92 St.)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2018

- 4:00 PM † Ernest Goytowski (116 St.)
4:30 PM † Giuseppe Orlando (106 St.)

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2018

- 7:30 AM † Gloria Keller (116 St.)
8:30 AM † Michael Kelleher (106 St.)
9:00 AM † Michael Iannantuoni (116 St.) (Choir)
10:30 AM † Timothy and Leo Kostuch (92 St.)
11:00 AM † Frances Renner (106 St.)
7:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of Our Parish (92 St.)

**Mother of Perpetual Help Choir will
sing at the following Masses:**

December 9th - 8:30 a.m. (106th Site)
December 16th - 9:00 a.m. (116th Site)

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Celebrating the Sacraments

Baptism is celebrated during or after Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. Other times may be arranged by calling one of the priests. A Baptismal preparation class is required. Classes will be held quarterly in 2019, so it is recommended you schedule a class early, possibly before your child is born. Please call the parish office to register for the class and the Baptism.

Reconciliation (Confession) is celebrated on the First Saturday of the month at 8:30 am at the 92nd Street site and at 3:00 pm on the 116th Street site. On the Third Saturday of the month at 3:30 pm at the 106th Street site.

Anointing of the Sick is celebrated communally on the First Saturday of the month after the evening mass at the 106th and 116th Street sites. Individual anointing may be requested by calling one of the parish priests.

Weddings Please call the Parish office to make arrangements no later than 6 months prior to your anticipated date. A process of preparation including participation in an Archdiocesan Engaged Encounter is required of all couples seeking marriage in the church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the Week of December 9, 2018

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14
[Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and
10ac, 11-12, 13 [Is 40:10ab]/
Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a;
12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde,
19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/
Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Jn 8:12]/
Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19
[4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/
Lk 3:10-18



GOD'S WORD

God's word is a message of hope, and it has long been proclaimed in difficult times of exile, imprisonment and political turmoil. For those of us weary of dark news, the message may be a momentary relief on this Sunday. But do we believe it? What will it take for this word to settle deep in our hearts and even motivate us to take hopeful action on behalf of those for whom hope is meaningless? If not us, then who?

Bar 5:1-9 A message of hope to those in exile.

Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 The imprisoned Paul writes of hope for Christians.

Lk 3:1-6 John proclaims hope for the coming of a savior.



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

The Sacred Heart Votive Light at
116th St. Site is burning this month
In Loving Memory of Marjorie Wilbur

The Immaculate Heart Votive Light at
116th St. Site is burning this month
In Loving Memory of Peggy Wipplinger

The Mary Candles at 106th St. Site are burning this month
**In Loving Memory of Kathleen Schendzielos and
In Loving Memory of Lori Wankowski**

The Chapel Candles at 106th St. Site are burning this month
**In Loving Memory of Tom Shanahan and
In Loving Memory of Wilfrid Couture**

FROM THE PASTORS' DESK



The Second Sunday of Advent challenges us to prepare a royal highway in our hearts for Jesus so that we may receive Him as our saving God during Christmas. We should also be prepared for Christ's daily coming into our lives in the Holy Eucharist, in the Holy Bible and in the praying community. Finally, we are asked to be ready to meet Jesus as our Judge on His Second Coming, at the end of our lives and at the end of the world.

Scripture lessons summarized: In the first reading, the prophet Baruch introduces Yahweh, the God of Israel, preparing the way for, and leading the Babylonian exiles to, Jerusalem. Hence, the prophet invites the weeping Jerusalem to rejoice and go to high places to watch the return of the exiles. Baruch's prophecy announces the return of the whole human race to God. During this Advent season, we, too, are asked to return to the Lord from our slavery to sin. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 126) offers us a close-up of the exiles who had wept bitterly on leaving Jerusalem now returning home, rejoicing. In the second reading, Paul advises the Philippian community members to prepare themselves for Christ's Second Coming by practicing Christian love and by leading pure and blameless lives. John the Baptist, in today's Gospel, challenges the Jews to prepare their lives for receiving their long-awaited Messiah. They have to prepare a highway in their hearts for their Messiah by levelling the mountains of pride and valleys of impurity and injustice and omissions and by straightening their crooked ways. They are to get ready by repenting of their sins, renewing their lives, and expressing their repentance by receiving the baptism of repentance in River Jordan.

Life messages: We need to prepare our hearts and lives for Jesus our Savior to be reborn in us during this Christmas time. We have to fill in the "valleys" of our souls, formed from our shallow prayer life and a minimalist way of living our Faith. We have to straighten out whatever crooked paths we've been walking, like involvement in some secret or habitual sins or in a sinful relationship. If we have been involved in some dishonest practices at work or at home, we are called to straighten them out and make restitution. If we have been harboring grudges or hatred, or failing to be reconciled with others, now is the time to clear away all the debris. As individuals, we might have to overcome deep-seated resentment, persistent fault-finding, unwillingness to forgive, dishonesty in our dealings with others, or a bullying attitude. And we all have to level the "mountains" of our pride and egocentrism by practicing the true humility of rendering humble service to others.

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
2018-2019
WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 2, 2018

Membership	\$20,612.36
Offertory Collection.....	2,113.53
Repair and Maintenance	519.00
Scholarship	62.00
Holy Day.....	162.00
Other	906.00
Total.....	\$24,374.89

Online Giving for November\$3,752.50

Our deep gratitude to parishioners and guests for their commitment to the ongoing work of Christ at Mother of Perpetual Help.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

KEY	
<u>Sites</u>	<u>Rooms</u>
92nd Street Site - (92 St.)	ND—Notre Dame Rm
106th Street Site - (106 St.)	GH - Gonzaga Hall
116th Street Site - (116 St.)	BH - Bethany House
	PC - Parish Center
	PMR - Parish Meeting Room

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018

- 8:30 AM Fair Trade Products for Sale - Gathering Area (116 St.)
- 8:30 AM Hospitality Sunday - Hall (116 St.)
- 9:00 AM Cookie and Craft Fair - Hall (116 St.)
- 9:15 AM Religious Education Classes - Gym/ND/All PC (106 St.)
- 9:30 AM Book Chat - PC 8 (106 St.)
- 10:30 AM Rel. Ed. Christmas Pageant - Church (106 St.)
- 11:00 AM Model A Club - GH (92 St.)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018

- 9:30 AM Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)
- 11:00 AM Rejoice! Advent with Mary - BH Living Rm (116 St.)
- 6:00 PM WI Geo Society - Hall (116 St.)
- 6:30 PM SVDP Conference Mtg. - BH Pantry (116 St.)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018

- 9:30 AM Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)
- 6:00 PM Bach Chamber Choir Rehearsal - Church (116 St.)
- 6:30 PM Rosary - Church (106 St.)
- 6:30 PM Square Dancers lessons - Hall (116 St.)
- 7:00 PM Hearts of Harmony - GH (92 St.)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2018

- 9:00 AM Exploring Sunday Readings Bible Study - ND (106 St.)
- 9:00 AM Women's Ministry - BH (116 St.)
- 9-11 AM SVDP Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)
- 9:30 AM Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)
- 5:30 PM Human Concerns Mtg. - ND (106 St.)
- 6:15 PM Sheepshead - PC 7 (106 St.)
- 6:30 PM Rejoice! Advent with Mary - BH Living Rm (116 St.)
- 7:00 PM Singles Square Dancers - Hall (116 St.)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2018

- 9:30 AM Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)
- 10:30 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - B1/B2 (92 St.)
- 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Church (106 St.)
- 7:00 PM SNPJ Lodge Mtg. - ND (106 St.)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2018

- 9:30 AM Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2018

- 7:00 AM MPH Men's Scripture Group - BH Living Rm. (116 St.)
- 9:30 AM Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)
- 12:00 PM Girl Scouts - GH (92 St.)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2018

- 9:30 AM Book Chat - PC 8 (106 St.)
- 5:00 PM Confirmation Dinner & Class - PC 7 & Gym (106 St.)

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

ADULT AND FAMILY

Director: Kathy Smith 414-453-0300 ext. 25
Kathy@mphwa.org



Continuing in ADVENT:
“REJOICE—Advent Meditations with Mary”
Journals still available from Kathy
Go to www.rejoiceprogram.com
to receive weekly videos during Advent sent
directly to your inbox to accompany your
journal.
Small groups meet on Monday mornings
(11am) & Wednesday evenings (6:30 pm) to discuss
All are welcome!

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**Save the Date:**  
Couples Evening will be  
Saturday, February 9



## CHILD AND YOUTH MINISTRY

Director: Becca Bojarski 414-453-0300 ext. 26  
Becca@mphwa.org

Sunday, December 16th:  
Dinner and Confirmation Class, 5:00 pm.



If you would like to see more pictures of the youth at the retreat,  
please go to: <https://mphwa.org/photo-gallery>.

## HOSPITAL EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Do you have 45 minutes to spare, to bring our Eucharistic Lord to patients at Aurora West Allis Hospital on **one** Sunday a month? Mother of Perpetual Help has been involved with bringing the Eucharist to patients at West Allis Hospital for over 25 years on the last 2 Sundays of the month. We have an opportunity for 2 volunteers to join us, after the 8:30 Mass, at each of the Sundays mentioned above, 1 person needed for each Sunday. If you are interested in joining us in this rewarding ministry, or would just like more information, please call Grace Elliott, 262-786-3840 (after 5:00 pm)

### St. Ben's for DECEMBER

3rd Friday Dec. 21st & 4th Friday Dec. 28  
Drop off potatoes by Wed. the 19th, and  
on Wednesday the 26th ;

wash on Thur., Dec. 20th & 27th  
Additional servers always needed

Questions/volunteer:

contact Kathy Smith 414-453-0300 x25 or kathy@mphwa.org  
BLESSINGS to all those so faithful to this ministry!

## MQSCA SCHOOL

Principal: - Michael Derrick 414-476-0751  
derrickm@mqscateacher.org

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## PARISH NEWS

### The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry



Is in need of soup and soda cracker donations! Please use the box in the Gathering Area at 116th St. or bring them to the parish office.

Monday - Thursday 8:30-4:30  
Thank You!



### Help Seniors In Need

*Proverbs 11:25 Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.*

Please consider helping seniors who are unable to drive themselves to medical appointments and the grocery store. Times are flexible, volunteer occasionally or on a regular schedule. Contact West Central Interfaith for more information - 414-774-1747.

### MORNING BOOK CHAT

At 106th Street Site

Next Book Chat is December 16th

(9:30-10:45 a.m.) Parish Center 8

All are welcome!

The book will be “The Healing Power of the Eucharist”  
by John Hampsch.

### Senior Christmas Party December 18th at Meyers Restaurant

Anyone interested in attending, a reservation is required.

Cost: \$16.00 per person  
(paid in advance)

If you would like a gift, you must bring a gift \$5 and up.  
Please bring something that you would like to receive.  
Any questions call Mary Margaret 262-786-9542.





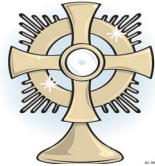
## PARISH NEWS



### Introducing new Bulletin addition – Ask Council

Be sure to submit any questions you may have either via email to [council@mphwa.org](mailto:council@mphwa.org) or drop your note in one of the boxes identified with the mailbox logo located near the bulletin boards at each site. We look forward to hearing from you!

### Adoration Chapel (106th Street Site) Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM



“It is during Adoration that we get direction from on High. It’s during Adoration that God speaks to us through the peace that touches our hearts. He speaks best not in locutions or visions but in the deep recesses of our consciousness.”

(Michael Brown, *Secrets of the Eucharist*).

For information, please call Pat, 262-439-8731.

**Senior Meal Program** operates weekdays from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm in Gonzaga Hall. Meals are served at about 11:30 am. Please call (414) 289-6995 for more information or (414) 840-1704 for Pre-Registration. (Located at 92 St. Site)



### Advent Penance Service

Tuesday, December 18th at 9:00 a.m. at 106th St. Site  
Wednesday, December 19th at 6:30 p.m. at 116th St. Site



### Mother of Perpetual Help Christmas Mass Schedule

#### Christmas Eve (Monday, December 24)

4:00 PM (116th Street Site)  
4:30 PM (106th Street Site)  
11:00 PM (92nd Street Site)

10:30 PM Choir Prelude

#### Christmas Day (Tuesday, December 25)

9:00 AM (116th Street Site)  
9:30 AM (106th Street Site)  
10:30 AM (92nd Street Site)

(No 7:00 PM Mass at 92nd St. Site)

#### The Solemnity of Mary - New Years Eve (Monday, December 31st)

6:30 PM (116th Street Site)

#### (Tuesday, January 1st) - New Years Day

9:00 AM (106th Street Site)

FR. MARK TOUPS

# Rejoice!

Advent Meditations  
with Mary

Mon. group runs  
Nov. 26-Dec. 17;  
Wed. group runs  
Nov. 28-Dec. 19

Small Group  
Meetings on  
**Monday mornings**  
11:00 AM &  
**Wednesday**  
**Evenings 6:30 PM**  
Bethany Living  
Room

116<sup>th</sup> Street Site  
(old convent, south end  
of the parking lot)

ASCENSION

### Join us this Advent For this Special Program

Each participant receives  
a Journal with daily  
reflections, prayers and space  
for journaling

You may do the program on  
your own or join/start a  
group

Journals are \$5

See

[www.rejoiceprogram.com](http://www.rejoiceprogram.com)  
for details & to sign up for  
emails and videos  
Contact Kathy Smith for a  
journal or to join a group

[kathy@mphwa.org](mailto:kathy@mphwa.org)

Or

414-453-0300 x25





**MPH Annual  
Christmas Cookie and Craft Sale**

*Cookies are assorted, pre-packaged,  
in 1 pound clear boxes  
and will be sold at all 3 parish sites  
after all Masses this weekend.*

**~ Christian Women Meeting ~**

All women of Mother of Perpetual Help are invited to attend the next Christian Women Meeting which will be held on Tuesday, January 8th at 1:00 PM at the 106<sup>th</sup> Street Site (Notre Dame Room). There is no Christian Women meeting in December. Thank you to all the Women of the Parish who have worked this past year to support the Parish. Wishing everyone a Blessed and Merry Christmas and see you at the January Meeting.

**SAVE the DATE**

**“Annual Trivia Night”**

Save the date for February 23, 2019  
at 106th St. site.



**MPH SVDP Food Pantry News:**

**THANK YOU FOR THE TURKEYS!!**

Many thanks to our very generous parishioners and friends who donated a record number of turkeys this year!! We also had a record number of people who needed a Thanksgiving meal this year so it worked out perfectly (over 100)!

**Thank you also for all the gifts under the tree.** You will be making many children of families in need very happy this Christmas!

God bless all of you!

**Next up is Christmas meal give-away—we need 3-5 lb. boneless Hams by Wednesday, Dec. 19** (we will accept any size ham, however!!)  
Thank you in advance!

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**Women’s Silent Retreat  
Jesuit Retreat House, Oshkosh**

**April 11-14, 2019**

Registration is now available on line for all 2019 retreats including the woman’s silent retreat to be held next April at the JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE on the shores of Lake Winnebago, Hwy 45 about 5 miles south of Oshkosh, WI. This is a sacred and holy place which brings you the opportunity to deepen your relationship with God. The director for the upcoming year’s retreat will be Lynn Ann Reesman. All faiths are welcome to this silent, preached retreat in the Ignation tradition. All rooms come with a private bathroom. All amenities and delicious meals are included. The retreat house is handicapped accessible, and has recently been extensively remodeled. This makes an **EXCELLENT GIFT** for someone you love. To register or to order gift certificates in any amount please contact the Jesuit Retreat House at 800-962-7330 or by e-mail at [www.jesuitretreathouse.org](http://www.jesuitretreathouse.org), or for more information about these retreats or Lynn Ann call Beth at 414-545-1518, or e-mail Monica at [monicajmahler@hotmail.com](mailto:monicajmahler@hotmail.com).

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Parish Christmas Concert**

**When: Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 4:00pm**

**Where: St. John the Evangelist Parish  
(8500 W Cold Spring Rd, Greenfield)**

Plan to join us for our parish’s annual Christmas Concert, **“HEAR THE ANGELS SING!”**, next Sunday, December 9th at 4:00pm in the church. Our Adult and Youth Choirs, Adult and Youth Hand Bell Choirs as well as instrumentalists and soloists, will lift your spirits and help kindle in you the true meaning of the season. This concert is free and open to all. Invite your family, friends and neighbors to join us. Why not take some time out of this busy season to relax and experience the true joy of Christmas!

**DAILY**

**ADVENT CHALLENGE**

**Make a plan NOW to do something to develop your spiritual life AFTER the New Year begins. Allow Advent to become the start of something greater all year long.**

