

Mother of Perpetual Help PARISH



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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.

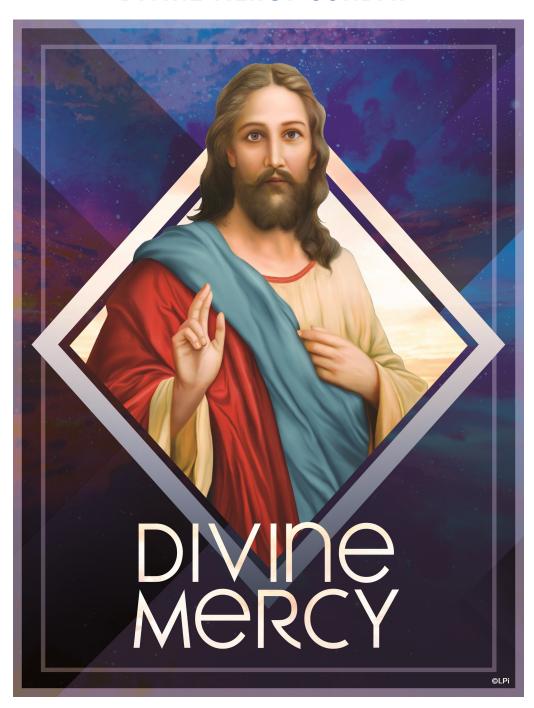
Help our parish to be an instrument in the hands of God

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.

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Mother of Perpetual Help Sites



92ND STREET SITE 1414 S. 92nd Street



106TH STREET SITE 2322 S. 106th Street



116TH STREET STIE 1212 S. 117th Street

MASS INTENTIONS



SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Divine Mercy Sunday)

8:00 AM † Nancy Faber (106 St.) 9:30 AM † Arlene Dunnigan (116 St.) 11:00 AM † Carolyn Brussat (106 St.)

7:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of Our Parish (92 St.)

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021 8:00 AM † Fr. Jeff Prasser (106 St.)

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 8:15 AM † Fr. Jeff Prasser (116 St.)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021 8:00 AM † Thomas J. Brown (106 St.)

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2021 No Mass

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2021 8:00 AM † Michael Neufeldt (106 St.)

SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2021 4:00 PM † Walter and Gloria Keller (116 St.)

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021 (First Communion) THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 AM † Thomas Kelleher (106 St.)

9:30 AM Living and Deceased Members of Our Parish (116 St.)

11:00 AM † Jeff Kusik (106 St.)

7:00 PM † Janice M. Sutherland (92 St.)

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish Priests' Weekend Mass Schedule

April 17th 4:00pm 116th St. Site Fr. Bill April 18th 8:00am 106th St. Site Fr. Dick April 18th 9:30am 116th St. Site Fr. Alan April 18th 11:00am 106th St. Site Fr. Alan April 18th 7:00pm 92nd St. Site Fr. Dick

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

The Sacred Heart Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month **In Loving Memory of Dolores King**

The Mary Candles at 106th St. Site are burning this month

In Loving Memory of Sandra Kelleher and

For healing of Melissa Bennetts

The Chapel Candle at 106th St. Site is burning this month In Loving Memory of Fr. Jeff Prasser

Celebrating the Sacraments

<u>Baptism</u> is celebrated during or after Mass on the second Sunday of the month. Due to current restrictions, all baptisms will take place after Mass until further notice. A Baptismal preparation class is required. You must call the parish office to register for the class and the Baptism.

Reconciliation (Confession) At this time reconciliation is by appointment only. Please call the pastor to set up an appointment. A regular schedule for monthly Confession will be announced when available.

<u>Anointing of the Sick</u> Until further notice, individual anointing may be requested by calling the pastor.

<u>Weddings</u> 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 April 11, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/

1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/

Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/

Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,

8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9,

17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14

[cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/

1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

God's Word

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) April 11, 2021

First Reading:

With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. (Acts 4:33)

Second Reading:

Everyone who believe that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. (1 Jn 1:1a)

Gospel:

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (Jn 20:21)

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Temporary Administrator

Leadership has been in touch with the Vicar of Clergy for the Archdiocese regarding the appointment of a temporary administrator for our parish.

We are pleased to inform you that Father Alan Jurkus has agreed to serve our parish on a temporary basis until June, when we anticipate the Archbishop shall install a new pastor/administrator. We welcome and thank Father Alan for his willingness to minister to us in the months ahead as we work together to fulfill Fr. Jeff's vision for Mother of Perpetual Help Parish.

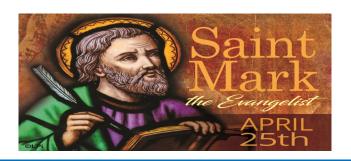
GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 11, 2021 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. "Mercy is the heart of God," Pope Francis tells us. The image of a heart has been used to point to the very life source of a person as it is the organ that allows life to flow through our veins and sustain us. Mercy is the heart of God. Imagine this dynamic, powerful, compassionate, piercing, embracing, loving, propelling, penetrating, absorbing, and enveloping, transforming presence of God flowing into the very depth of our souls. It is God's mercy that allows blood to flow through our veins. It is God's mercy that forms every atom of our being and leads us to what is true. God's mercy reveals all superficiality and falsehood, and lays bare all distortions, empty promises, weakness, and sin.

"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope," Pope Francis continues. God's all forgiving, compassionate love is with us. When we finally believe and accept that Christ's resurrected transfigured presence resides with us, we then find within us a strong confidence to accept life's imperfections and disappointments and move on. Every day is a new adventure in new life. God leaves the past behind and opens doors to the future. It doesn't matter how many mistakes we made yesterday. All that matters is what we do tomorrow and what we learn along the way. It is so easy to remain tethered and mired in the past, but there is no need to do so. God is all about tomorrow and the work God has yet to do in our lives.

Mercy gives birth to hope. Hope for the greatest of sinners and hope for the worst of disasters. There is nothing God cannot do and nothing God cannot fashion. After all, everything we know and treasure was once nothing, and look what God did with the nothing God had! The resurrected Christ stands before us with nail marks in his wrists and wounds on his body as a testament that not even injustice, suffering and death can trample over and destroy God's mercy. What have we to fear? Why do we keep ourselves from peace? Our lack of faith prevents us from going forward and fully receiving the holiness God desires to breathe upon us. Breathe in God's mercy, allow the wind of God's presence to kiss all of your sins and caress all of your fears. Exhale peace.



WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning Mass will be celebrated at 8 AM at 106th Street site. Tuesday Mass will be at 8:15 AM at the 116th Street Site and at various times throughout the year we will be joined by the school children.

First Saturday morning Mass followed by confessions has returned to the 106th Street site.

MASS ON VIDEO

Thanks to all who have made the availability of a video Sunday Mass possible. You can access the video from our website at www.mphwa.org - simply click on the link at the top of the homepage.

You may also access these YouTube videos directly using the following link:

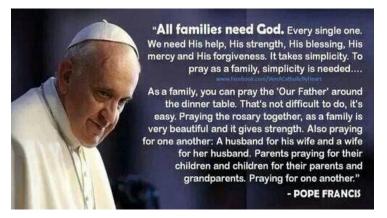
http://www.youtube.com/c/MPHWACatholicChurch

ROSARY

You are the glory of Jerusalem, the surpassing joy of Israel; you are the splendid boast of your people.

(Judith 15:9).

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. evening Rosary is held at the 106th Street site. Let us come before the Blessed Sacrament with our intercession to Mary, Our Mother for blessing and guidance as we go through this unprecedented time. We will pray for the soul of our Nation, the soul of the Catholic church, the soul of MPH, our own personal intentions and an end to Covid 19.



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP Contributions 2020 - 2021

Contributions 2020 2021

©LPi 4 Contributions will be reported in the next week's bulletin.

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HUMAN CONCERNS/OUTREACH

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

Many Thanks

To all who donated to our Lenten Mission of Congo Helping Hands. We will let you know the final total collected as soon as we have that information.

This parish continues its tradition of outstanding generosity to every outreach program we are or have been involved with. Blessings to each of you for your help with our Food Pantry and Baby Ministry on a regular basis. So many families have been helped because of YOU!

CHILD AND YOUTH MINISTRY

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

<u>First Communion Rehearsals in Church - Parent</u> and Child

Monday, April 12th for 106th St. Monday, April 19th for 116th St.

Confirmation - Teens Only Meetings:

April 18th

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. At 106th St. site

St. Ben's Covid-19 Update:

NO volunteer-made food or community meals in the dining room for the foreseeable future

FINANCIAL DONATIONS WELCOME

www.capuchincommunityservices.org/ways-to-help/donations

Questions/volunteer:

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



Father Gene's Help Center

provides free clothing to those in need in the greater Milwaukee area. They are in <u>critical</u> need of winter coats, children's clothing, and plus-size clothing.

If you can help, contact:

Theresa Liu

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Safe Environment Awareness Week April 18th – April 24th

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee recognizes April 18th –April 24th as Safe Environment Awareness Week. Each year in the month of April, which is recognized around the country as child abuse prevention month, we dedicate a week to elevating the general awareness of the Church's efforts to keep our children safe. We want people to know that we are committed to maintaining safe environments in our parishes and schools through adult child abuse prevention training; criminal background checks for all clergy, volunteers working with minors, and employees; safety training for children in each grade level; and adhering to all mandatory reporting requirement laws.



The MPH Food Pantry is Now

Accepting Bags of Produce

For example:

Apples, oranges, potatoes ...

In addition to the regular non-perishables



Items should be dropped off In the boxes at 116th Street in church or in the box at the Parish Office lobby (M-Th 8:30-4:30)

As always – we thank you for your generosity to your fellow community members in need!



SCRIP:

Scrip is a fundraising program where Mother of Perpetual Help sells gift certificates and prepaid cards that can be used at the participating retailers to purchase merchandise. The retailers sell the cards to us at discounted rates and that is how Mother of Perpetual Help Parish makes money on the program. Scrip is sold at the Parish office.

Make a Difference Day Spring, 2021

We Need YOU!



Eras Senior Network is partaking in Make a Difference Day in partnership with UWM on April 17, 2021. We invite you to volunteer with us on this day, or any other day this spring that fits into your schedule.

Volunteer tasks may include: leaf raking, clearing flower beds, cleaning outdoor windows, and clearing first floor gutters. You group can pick the location, date, and time that works best for you. Right now, we are still following our COVID-19 procedures which includes wearing a mask at all times while serving, remaining at least 6 feet away from others, and limiting the group size to no more than 4 volunteers per home.

We have nearly 300 households in Milwaukee County requesting this service and your participation is very helpful!

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Suzy Endres at <u>Suzanne.Endres@eras.org</u> or (414) 488-6930.



Please Note: For your convenience, for those of you who give weekly, we are including a contribution form that you may submit with your weekly payment. Thank you!

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	Other	\$
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Total Forgiveness for the Wage of Sin

St. Faustina was assigned by Jesus to write down all He wanted us to know about His love and mercy for us. (Diary 1567. 1605) She recorded these words from our Lord in her Diary 699: "I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open........*The soul that*

will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion (asking for mercy) shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me....It is My desire that it (the Feast of Divine Mercy) be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter......Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Font of My Mercy."

Jesus I trust in You.

Eye Has Not Seen

They say seeing is believing. But if you've ever ordered a pair of pants online, you know that's not always the case. Whatever the photos promise us, what looked like a perfectly nice shade of navy blue on our computer screens comes in the mail as an unusual shade of blue green that only appears in the giant box of Crayola crayons.

The Apostle Thomas, who couldn't bring himself to accept that Jesus had risen from the dead without seeing him, is such an utterly relatable figure in the Gospels. Thomas is still reeling from a loss — not only of his good friend but his Lord, who was taken prisoner and crucified before his eyes. Thomas is guarding himself. He's not believing the hype. He's going to be the only judge of what is real and what is fiction.

Would any of us be any different? We've all had those thoughts. Can we believe it all — Jesus, salvation history, the Eucharist — when we haven't seen it with our own two eyes?

That's when we need to remember that those two eyes were absolutely positive they had ordered a pair of navy blue pants.

It's easy for us to sit back stroking our chins in judgment at Thomas, "you didn't believe the testimony of your friends!" But do we accept the testimony of our friends? The saints, the popes, the Church fathers themselves?

Sometimes the things that are most worthy of believing can't be seen with the naked eye.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Adoration Chapel



Monday & Wednesday 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM Tuesday 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM & Thursday 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM\ At the 106th Street location

Jesus said to St. Faustina: "Mankind will not have Peace until it turns with trust to my Mercy. The throne of Mercy is the Tabernacle."

(Jesus to St. Faustina Kowalska, Divine Mercy Diary, 300, 1484).

You are most welcome to stop in church for a visit or a few minutes of prayer. If you have any questions, please call Grace Elliott, 262-786-3840.

JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE Oshkosh, Wisconsin

"The Jesuit Retreat House in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, fosters spiritual enrichment rooted in the Gospels, the Catholic tradition and the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Our Ministry is dedicated to creating a rich variety of retreat experiences and providing an atmosphere of quiet, peace and prayer in which men and women of all faiths are encouraged to discover and respond generously to God's personal invitation to wholeness and holiness."

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CANCELLATION - Spring Luncheon

We are sorry to announce that the Spring Luncheon has been cancelled for this year. Those of you who have paid by check or cash, please contact Mary Margaret at 262-786-9542. Thank you.





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