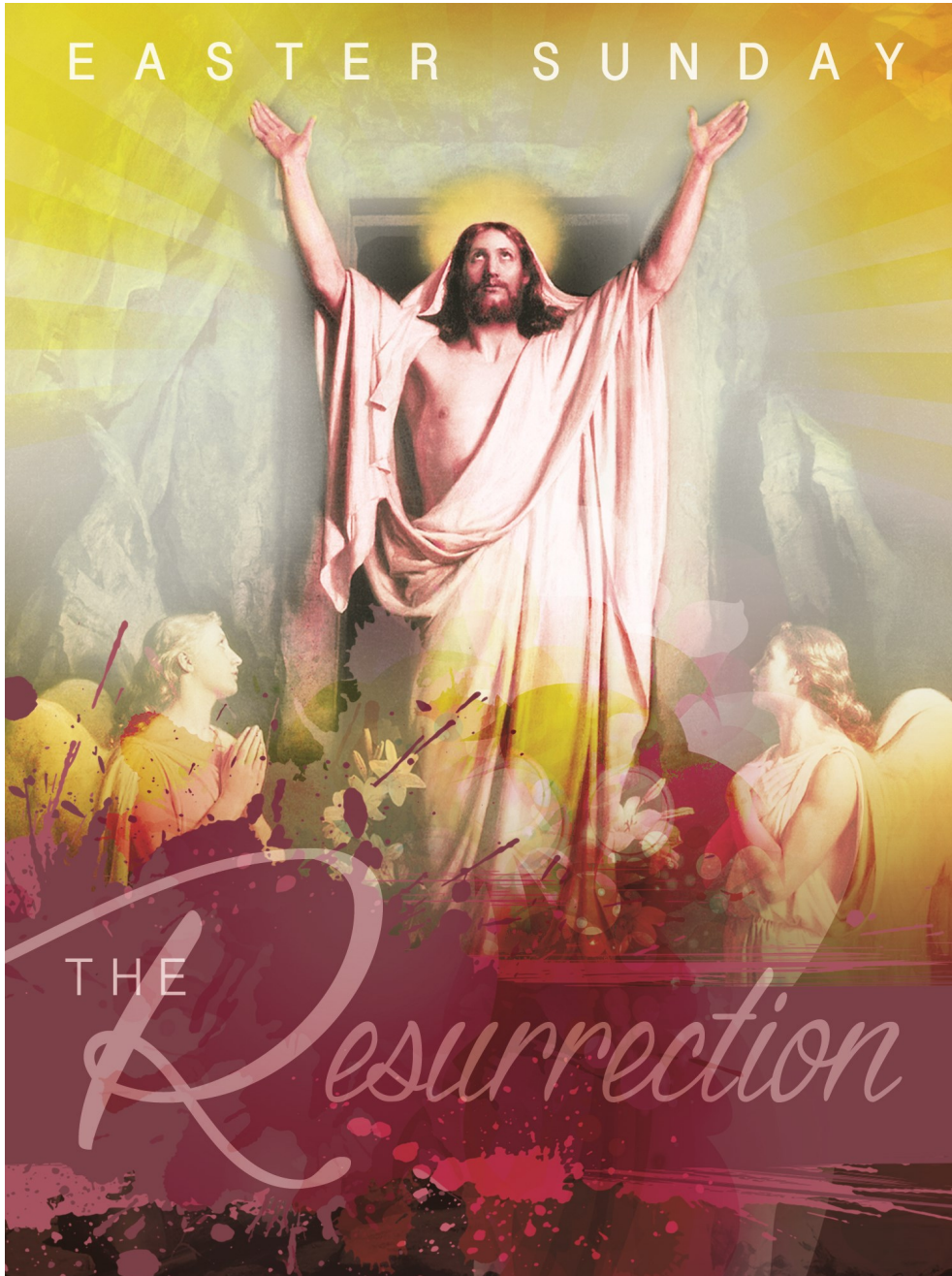


April 12, 2020

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

*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 unending hope in
our troubled world.
Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for us.
AMEN

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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 SITE
1212 S. 117th Street

MASS INTENTIONS



Please Note:

Archbishop ListECKI suspended the public celebration of Masses throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee through **May 3rd**. This includes weekday and Sunday Masses. He asked that priests still celebrate Mass in their parishes, **without an assembly, including the Sunday Masses as required by canon law.**

SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

**The televised Mass on Easter will be offered for the
Living and Deceased Members of our Parish.**

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020

**7:00 AM † Jim Murack
8:00 AM No Intention**

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2020

8:10 AM † Maria Ausonio

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2020

8:00 AM † Carol Krier

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2020

7:00 AM † Donna Dombrowski

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2020

**7:00 AM Ann Marmurowicz
8:10 AM No Intention**

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2020

4:00 PM No Intention

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

**8:00 AM † Thomas Kelleher
9:30 AM † Mary K. Nawrocki
11:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of Our
Parish
7:00 PM † Claudia Muckerheide**

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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 2020, 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 at the 116th Street site.

Anointing of the Sick is celebrated communally on the First Saturday of the month after the evening mass at the 116th Street site. 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 April 12, 2020

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
[24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or
Mt 28:1-10

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8,
9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and
22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9
[3b]/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/
Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118: 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a [22]/
Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21
[21a]/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/
1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31



GOD'S WORD

Easter Sunday/April 12, 2020

First Reading:

“He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.” (Acts 10:42)

Second Reading:

When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. (Col 3:4)

Gospel:

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. (Jn 20:8)



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

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

In Loving Memory of Sandra Kelleher, Samantha Blagg, Marlene Blagg

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

FROM THE PASTORS' DESK



Happy Easter to Everyone!

In years past, I have spoken of the special songs that the Church sings at various high points of the Liturgical year. Today and during this past week, there are two of them. The *Exultet*, which was sung at the Easter Vigil as the new light of Christ was placed in our churches, and the *Victimae Paschali Laudes*, the Easter song of the church. It has a hauntingly beautiful melody and words that are simple and utterly beautiful. Though it is attributed to an author in the 11th century, I think that is a special point of connection between it and our own experience of Easter this year, indeed our experiences of the last month.

The setting of the song is the road Mary Magdalen is taking to Jesus' tomb. On her journey to find Jesus that first Easter morning at dawn, Mary Magdalen tells us that the tomb is empty, that Jesus has surely Risen and now goes before us, waiting to meet us once again. Yet, before we see Him again, we need to remember the "stupendous duel" between death and the Prince of Life. In that battle, Jesus Christ is the Immortal Victor and from His passion and death, He gives us the grace to choose life over death. To hold on to hope rather than despair. As Easter people we can walk in the light of faith, hope and love, or give in to the darkness of the current moment.

The world is tempted in so many ways by the darkness. Darkness can be entertaining. It generates thousands of pages on the Web. It makes headlines on every news broadcast and sells countless movie tickets. It thrives on falsehood and makes it hard for us to see objective truth. The darkness is real and is often a reflection of the denial of God's presence in the world. Darkness is an easy distraction. It can be a refuge for those who fear the demands of the light. It fears the changes to which we have been called by the Light of Life Himself, Jesus Christ!

This Easter, we are searching for Jesus. We pray that relief will be found for so many who are suffering throughout the world. We pray for ourselves as one change in our daily routine follows another and it seems like there's no end in sight. St. Paul said in the Second Letter to the Corinthians that, "this momentary light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of Glory". We might be tempted to tell St. Paul that he hasn't experienced our suffering, but his own story tells us the opposite. Like him, we will find hope and encouragement knowing that our current experience is not going to last forever. We will discover the purpose and meaning of our experiences when we think of them in the light of Christ. We can all hope that the changes we are experiencing now may help us appreciate the beauty of our lives, before and after COVID19.

The Risen Lord Jesus creates a special bond of unity between all of us. The promise of everlasting life inspires us to reach out in love, even when we are alone. His light can shine on the darkest recesses of our hearts and bring healing and peace to us all. Mary and the small group of Apostles who were the first to see, found what they were seeking in the empty tomb. Millions and millions have found that same light ever since that first Easter Sunday. May you know the power of His Resurrection in every moment of life. May we all have the strength to follow His light.

Have mercy on us Jesus our Victorious King, ever reigning in everlasting Glory! Amen. ALLELUIA!

Fr. Jeff and Fr. Thomas

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
2019 - 2020
WEEK ENDING APRIL 5, 2020



Membership.....	\$10,075.00
Repair and Maintenance	636.00
Scholarship	59.00
Holy Day Easter.....	795.00
Festival Replacement Fund.....	906.00
Total.....	\$12,471.00

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

Prayer Chain

If you, a loved one or someone you know is in need of prayers you can call Nell Lee at (414)529-1642.



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

BROADCASTED HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

To the Faithful of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee,

You are invited to join us for Holy Week and Easter Mass by viewing the Masses online or on TV. Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKI will preside at Masses from Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Holy Week Masses will be broadcasted on **Channels 18 and 24 (CW18/MY24)** and Easter Mass will be broadcasted on **Channel 12 (WISN-TV)**. An additional Easter Sunday Mass in Spanish will be broadcasted on **Channels 18 and 24**.

The schedule is as follows.

CW18/MY24

Thursday, April 9: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
LIVE at 7 p.m.

Friday, April 10: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
LIVE at Noon

Sunday, April 12: Easter Sunday LIVE in Spanish at
1 p.m. (Archbishop ListECKI and Bishop James
Schuerman presiding)

WISN-TV

Sunday, April 12: Easter Sunday LIVE at 11 am.

All of the Masses will also be available online. Streaming will be live and links to the Masses can be found on www.archmil.org/Find-a-Mass.

MQSCA SCHOOL

Principal: Jennifer Vega 414-476-0751
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Even without the students in the building, school is still up and running. All students have been given weekly academic packets to continue strengthening their skills and knowledge. Teachers have regular office hours and are connecting with students and families online. I am proud of how our MQSCA team has risen to the challenge of remote learning. In addition, we are providing daily breakfast and lunch to any school family who requests it. We are praying for all of our parish communities during this unprecedented time and wish everyone good physical and mental health!

Why choose Mary Queen of Saints Catholic Academy?

- Experienced and licensed faculty
- Faith based curriculum
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- Full day K3, K4, and K5 programs
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- Partnered with Seton Catholic Schools. Come experience how an education at MQSCA can make a difference in your child's life. **Now enrolling for 2020 - 2021 school year.**

MASS AND ROSARY NOW ON VIDEO

Thanks to the efforts of Fr. Jeff, Fr. Thomas, Margaret, Becca, Grace and anyone else behind the scenes, we now have availability to a Rosary video and Sunday Mass. 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: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJS8KsrDvckKyz2270XF9PA>.

We are asking you to please contact your fellow parishioners and spread the word about the availability of the Rosary and our Sunday Mass, inviting them to join with all of us on Sundays and Tuesday evening in prayer as a parish family.



Sadly, we have postponed all celebrations of the Sacrament of 1st Communion. We will communicate with all families directly when we are permitted to reschedule.



A Prayer for Easter Eyes

My Lord, Jesus,
You have risen to new life!
Give me new eyes with which to recognize
your presence in the world around me.
Sharpen my vision so that I see beyond the
ordinary events of each day and into the
extraordinary reality of your grace.
Brighten my view of the world with renewed
hope in the coming of your Kingdom.
Soften my gaze so that I view others with the
kind of tenderness and compassion you
showed to so many.
May each day of this Easter season provide
glimpses of your glory.
In your sacred name, I pray.
Amen.

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MPH On-line Giving!

To help simplify parishioners' lives, our parish is offering an online contribution system. This system will allow parishioners to automate recurring and/or one-time contributions to the parish.

How to create your online giving account.

It's as easy as 1-2-3 to create your account online right on our parish website.

- 1) Visit mphwa.org and click on the Online Giving Donation Button.
- 2) Set up your account
- 3) Choose a payment option and customize your donation.

This system will offer a convenient payment method by eliminating the need to remember to write a check and bring the envelope to church.

Any questions or for help setting up your account, please contact Mary at the Parish Office 414-453-5192.



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!

Name _____	Envelope # _____
Address _____	Date: _____
Check # _____	Parish/Stewardship \$ _____
Cash _____	Building Maintenance \$ _____
	Scholarship \$ _____
	Holy Day \$ _____
	Other \$ _____
	TOTAL \$ _____

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EASTER 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

How profoundly we have all experienced the desert of Lent, fasting from our everyday routines, praying for the recovery of our world, and giving in new ways to our loved ones and communities during this time of pandemic. How closely you have journeyed alongside Jesus on his way to Calvary, sacrificing your desires, preferences, schedules, energy, or even health, to respond to the call to love one another in service and charity. And, how keenly you have felt the agony of Good Friday and Holy Saturday, in which Mary and the Disciples mourned the loss of Jesus' physical presence and experienced intense longing for His return.

On the morning of the Resurrection, some women went to Jesus' tomb to mourn a dead man. As I think about the state of our world right now, and the dramatic effects it has had on all of our lives, it appears that we, too, journey with the women to the tomb to mourn. With our churches standing empty this Easter, it appears that we have been defeated. But, my friends, hear the words spoken to the women by the angel who greeted them at the tomb, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay."

The sign of the empty tomb is not a sign of destruction and failure. No; rather, it is the sign par excellence of our faith. St. Paul tells us that without the Resurrection, our faith is in vain – it would be meaningless. (1 Cor 15:14) The empty tomb is the physical reminder of the Resurrection and the evidence that our faith is not in vain. The empty tomb confirms that Jesus is God, that he has indeed risen from the dead, and that sin and death are conquered.

While our churches are certainly not tombs, I ask you to consider how they are tremendous signs of faith in a world filled with fear. Our empty churches should remind us of the power of our faith, which is the power of the mercy and love of God. We may be physically distant from one another – and, how I long to see you at Mass – but we are not alone. Our God has come to save us. Jesus has truly risen and alive! He lives within us, for we are members of His Body, and he has not abandoned us.

After seeing the empty tomb, the angel instructed the women to go tell the disciples that Jesus had risen from the dead. I invite you this Easter to consider how you will share that message of faith, hope and love with those in your lives who may need this message of hope. How will someone know that you have seen the empty tomb and that this joy may also be theirs? How will your interactions with others or decisions that you make reflect a heart that is full of gratitude and dedicated to service? How will your actions of self-sacrifice and self-denial be a witness to our community of your respect for life? How will you forgive others because you have experienced forgiveness and new life in the sacraments? How will your longings for heaven attract others to seek the kingdom of God before all else?

Let this Easter be a time of renewal for your faith. See the sign of the empty tomb and rejoice in Christ's victory over our sin and death. Resolve to return to him with your whole heart, trusting that he will provide for your every need. Live in the joy of the Resurrection and share that joy with those who have yet to experience it. I pray continually for all of you, that through this time of physical separation, your faith may be strengthened beyond measure and that your hearts may be opened to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

With Easter joy, I remain,
Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *Jerome E. Listecki*

Archbishop Jerome E. Listecki