

April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

*Welcome to
Mother of Perpetual Help Parish
West Allis*

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



**PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD**



“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.” - Mt 21:9

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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

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116TH STREET SITE
1212 S. 117th Street

MASS INTENTIONS



SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2020
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

8:00 AM † Michael Dawydowycz
9:30 AM † Vincent Azzolina
11:00 AM † Jeff Kusik
7:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of Our
Parish

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020

7:00 AM † Marion Luckowiak
No 8:00 AM Intention

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2020

8:10 AM † Mary McCarthy

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2020

No 8:00 AM Intention

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2020

Mass of the Last Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2020

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2020

Easter Vigil Mass

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.

Please Note:

Effective Wednesday, March 18th, Archbishop ListECKI suspended the public celebration of Masses throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee through Sunday, April 12th. 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.

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GOD'S WORD

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First Reading:

The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced. (Is 50:7a)

Second Reading:

He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. (Phil 2:8)

Gospel:

But Jesus cried out again in a loud voice, and gave up his spirit. And behold, the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. (Mt 27:11-50-51)

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 5, 2020

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Chism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Rv 1:5-8/
Lk 4:16-21 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10
Next 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



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

The Mary Candle at 106th St. Site are 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





MASS AND ROSARY NOW ON VIDEO

Thanks to the efforts of Fr. Jeff, Fr. Thomas, Margaret, Becca, Grace and others 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.

We begin the holiest week of our Church year in very different circumstances than ever before. We are unable to gather in church for the celebration of Palm Sunday and the sacred days of the Triduum. We cannot take blessed palms home as a sign of our devotion. Changes are all around us.

During this time, I have heard lots of people say that somehow, we are experiencing a period of ‘cosmic payback’ for the condition of our world. All the violence and ignorance of this age have finally taken their toll and it’s payback time. While, on a certain level, there might be some element of truth that we can learn from this way of thinking, the reality goes much deeper.

I believe that the current health crisis afflicting our world has a lot to teach us about suffering and innocence, and every Holy Week is always about suffering and innocence. The terrible pain and death experienced by Jesus as he endures these days can show us what we might do to cope with our current situation.

Jesus is the innocent Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Those who have died as a result of the Corona virus epidemic are also innocent victims. So too, are the health care professionals, first responders, public servants and family members whose lives are in peril. They choose to serve, to love and to give of themselves without counting the cost. We are grateful that they, like Jesus are trying to embrace God’s will for them as it unfolds with each new day. They are doing what Jesus did.

Suffering, especially when it is innocent is a real challenge. We see it all over the world, when people are oppressed. When their dignity as children of God is denied. Who will lift them up and restore them? When children die and disease and hunger are rampant around the world, when people face so much pain, what are we supposed to do? Do we not believe that they are the little ones that Jesus speaks about when he refers to them as the least of His brothers and sisters?

This time of innocent suffering in our world is a direct call for each of us to prayer. To pray especially for those who have no one to pray for them and no words to pray for themselves. Then, it’s time for us to do what we can, where we can, however we can. Because that’s what Jesus did and what He calls us to do. The problem of innocent and indiscriminate suffering has been around since the beginning of time. As we pray and work together and as we dream of a world that is free of this pandemic, look to Jesus and open your heart to Him and He will tell us all what we can do, and how to find renewal and peace through it all.

Fr. Jeff and Fr. Thomas

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.



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
2019 - 2020
WEEK ENDING MARCH 29, 2020

Membership	\$7,894.00
Repair and Maintenance	188.00
Scholarship.....	35.00
Festival Replacement Fund.....	57.00
Total	\$8,174.00

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

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

ADULT AND FAMILY

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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Human beings are united in their suffering. When we find ourselves in a painful moment, our first reaction is “why me?” as if we are the only person on earth who ever encountered this challenge. Going through life with a “why me” attitude only finds us wallowing in the mire of self-pity and never seizing opportunities or graces. We walk in solidarity with every human being in the experience of suffering. Believing that the goal of life is the elimination or avoidance of suffering is simply an illusion that keeps us entrenched in a collective myth. This myth distorts us and limits us.

There are living witnesses among us showing how courage and determination can overcome any degree of hardship, pain, loss, or tragedy. Folks finding the normalcy of their lives suddenly torn asunder are faced with options: opportunity or despair, stay or leave. Jesus stands before us as the prime example of endurance and perseverance. He is the One who showed humility through both the triumphs of life (by learning to be humble) and the tragedies and injustices (by learning how to be obedient). To secular ears, this may be perceived as nonsense. But to those with the eyes of faith, they are pearls of great price.

True humility tempers the temptation we have to become complacent and prevents an excessive relishing of life’s successes and affirmations. Learning obedience keeps us faithful to our relationship with God so that we can find the courage to endure any depth of hardship, disappointment, betrayal, or agony. While we may want our cup of suffering to be taken away, it simply cannot be. Somehow and somewhere in the seemingly opposing experiences life can deal us, God is present with His reassuring, compassionate, empowering, and persevering love. To be true to who we are and who God is, we must take up the cross of suffering, even when it’s the hardest and most apparently senseless thing to do.

Only our soul can understand these things, but our minds cannot, so they continue to run to secular ideas and solutions to pain and hardship. It goes without saying that we need to do all we can to eliminate as much senseless, unjust suffering as possible. Hunger, violence, abuse, exploitation, rejection, prejudice, homelessness, disrespect for life, and a whole host of other sins all result in suffering that is within our control. Then, when we face the uncontrollable kind of suffering or find ourselves the victim of injustice, what do we do?

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The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Is in need of soup, soda cracker and spaghetti sauce!

Please use the boxes in the Gathering Area at 116th St. and the west entryway at 106th St. or bring them to the parish office.

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



MQSCA SCHOOL

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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!

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Individuals may want to consider sponsoring an ad for their Favorite Charity or “In Memoriam” ads for departed loved ones.

We would like to thank our present advertisers for renewing their ads and thereby continuing their support of Mother of Perpetual Help Parish.

Keep in mind; the advertising on the back of the bulletin helps defray the cost of printing.

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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March 26, 2020

To the Faithful of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee,

Praised be Jesus Christ!

These are proving to be challenging times for our communities. Social distancing, working from home, people we know getting sick, restrictions on travel, weddings, funerals and even Sunday Mass, have us feeling a little lost, alone and distant. These feelings have left each one of us desiring communion with God and with others. St. Augustine said, “Our heart is restless until it rests in you O Lord.” So, we continue seeking out how to live in this challenging reality that affects our relationship with God, with those we live with, with our neighbors, and with our world.

In this spirit, our St. John Paul II Office for the New Evangelization at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee has created a new initiative called, “*Courageous Communion: Daily Living for Quarantined Catholics.*” This timely initiative serves as an invitation to you and those around you to respond in this unique time in history with a depth of prayer and motivation to serve others in any way that we are able. Jesus is still calling us to “Love God and love our neighbors as ourselves.” Below are some of the various resources at your disposal through this new initiative.

- Daily reflections from our Bishops
- A guide for praying with the Gospels every day
- Assistance to help people intentionally plan their day/week with Christ at the center
- An at-home retreat called “Into the Quiet,” directed by Fr. Luke Strand
- Consecration to St. Joseph
- A guide for online Masses
- Resources related to responding to COVID-19.
- A FREE subscription to Formed.org for 40 days
- A FREE digital subscription to the Milwaukee Catholic Herald

You can find this resource on the archdiocesan website, archmil.org or by this link www.archmil.org/Courageous-Communion. I pray this becomes a resource for you and your fellow parishioners as we weather this storm with Christ by our side.

With the assurance of prayers, I am,
Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecki
Archbishop of Milwaukee