

August 16, 2020

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# *Welcome to Mother of Perpetual Help Parish West Allis*

*Website: [www.mphwa.org](http://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

## **20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith!  
Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's  
daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP SITES

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**92ND STREET SITE**  
*1414 S. 92nd Street*



**106TH STREET SITE**  
*2322 S. 106th Street*



**116TH STREET SITE**  
*1212 S. 117th Street*

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## MASS INTENTIONS

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2020**

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**8:00 AM** Tom Balistrieri (106 St.)  
**9:30 AM** † Fr. Bernard Berger (116 St.)  
**11:00 AM** † William Butterbrodt (106 St.)  
**7:00 PM** † Ferd and Arlene Haevers (92 St.)

**MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020**

**8:00 AM** † Rudy Cindric (Mass held at 106 Site)

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020**

**No 8:15 AM Mass**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020**

**8:00 AM** † Robert Doren (Mass held at 116 Site)

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020**

**No Mass**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2020**

**8:00 AM** † Andy and Mary Ann Turicek (Private)

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2020**

**4:00 PM** † Steve Wnuk (116 St.)

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020**

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**8:00 AM** † Frances Renner (106 St.)  
**9:30 AM** Alicia Lezama (116 St.)  
**11:00 AM** † Kenneth Tomic (106 St.)  
**7:00 PM** Living and Deceased Members of Our Parish (92 St.)



## PARISH OFFICE / STAFF

### **Parish Priests:**

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## Celebrating the Sacraments

**Baptism** 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. Classes will be held quarterly in 2020/2021, so it is recommended you schedule a class early, possibly before your child is born. 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.

**Anointing of the Sick** Until further notice, individual anointing may be requested by calling the pastor.

**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 August 16, 2020**

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab [39c]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [Ez 36:25]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20



## GOD'S WORD

### **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time/August 16, 2020**

#### **First Reading:**

Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. (Is 56:1)

#### **Second Reading:**

Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. (Rom 11:30-31)

#### **Gospel:**

Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. (Mt 15:28)



### **MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**

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

**In Loving Memory of Marlene Blagg and Tommy Kelleher**

The Immaculate Heart Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month

**In Loving Memory of Thomas J. Brown**



# FROM THE PASTORS' DESK

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

August 16, 2020 - 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are hardwired for wholeness and crave it. When something is broken, we want it fixed. If a part of our body is not working properly, we want it healed. How often do we find ourselves saying, "I'm tired of struggling with this cold, I can't wait for my surgery to heal, or I want my treatments to make me better." Wholeness and healing restore our relationships and make us free to love as we desire. We know very well how our limitations, imperfections, and brokenness really limit us. They can easily prevent us from being and doing what we want to do.

Our physical and emotional wounds and maladies are easier to identify. If my back hurts, I feel it and know what part of my body needs attention. If I am feeling intense anger, I can identify the emotion and take necessary steps to uncover its cause. Being persistent often brings greater and quicker results. But will pursuing and even achieving our physical and emotional healings really be enough? We forget that there is a deeper healing that we seek and desperately need. As we look around at humanity, there are some physical and emotional wounds and scars that cannot be made whole. They are limitations that must remain and, for one reason or another, cannot be rectified. Does this mean that the wholeness and healing that my being longs for is not possible for me? Must I settle with less than what God promises?

The answer is no. Ultimately, there is a desire that goes deeper than the physical and emotional. It is a desire that resides in our soul. What we really seek and thirst for is healing and wholeness for our soul. Inner strength, conviction, focus, grounding, love, hope, faith, courage, determination, peace, and connectedness are all words that center us on eternity. They direct us to a presence we discover in our core, which is none other than the presence of God. In God, we are healed. When we are persistent in reaching out to and establishing our relationship with God, real healing and wholeness begin to happen.

There are some limitations and some of our brokenness with which we may simply have to live. This does not mean that we have to abandon our journey to wholeness and healing. If we have done our inner soul work, we have worked toward and acquired what and who we ultimately need and desire.

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## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP 2019 - 2020 WEEK ENDING AUGUST 9, 2020

Membership .....	\$20,466.50
Repair and Maintenance .....	1,399.50
Scholarship .....	333.00
Offertory .....	760.00
Holy Day .....	25.00
Festival Replacement Fund.....	55.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$23,039.00</b>

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



## WEEKDAY MASSES

With the departure of Fr. Thomas, a new weekday schedule will be implemented.

**Monday and Wednesday morning mass will be celebrated at 8 AM.** When a final decision is made about their return, **Tuesday Mass will be with the school children @ 8:15 AM.**

Until the complete schedule is fully in place, Monday Mass will remain at the 106<sup>th</sup> Street site, and Wednesday Mass will remain at the 116<sup>th</sup> Street site. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept any more weekday Mass Intentions at the current time. We will let you know when we will begin accepting them once again.

## MASS AND ROSARY NOW ON VIDEO

Thanks to all who have made the availability of a Rosary video and Sunday Mass possible. You can access the video from our website at [www.mphwa.org](http://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>

## The Challenge of Stewardship

Every day we are called by Christ to respond in some way. The more practice we have at giving of ourselves freely and living in His presence, the easier it is to discern that call. Once we hear the call, the choice is ours: will we respond with yes or no? We could say that we are not required to say yes because God has given us free will. However, our response speaks much to where we are in our maturity of faith. When we were children, the word "no" used to be one of our favorites. If we continue to say that as we get older, well, that says something about where we are in our walk with the Lord. If we truly are disciples of Jesus Christ and are serious about growing in our faith, we will say "yes." We are not required to say yes, but we say yes because that is who we have become.

This is the challenge of a stewardship way of life. Have we matured enough to say yes when God calls, regardless of how much our answer may cost us? What matters more to us: what it will cost us or our relationship with Jesus? Some days we will easily be able to say yes. The grace and love he gives us will be plenty to see us through whatever situation in which we find ourselves. However, we are imperfect beings and there will be days when we are more into ourselves than him. It is on those days that we find ourselves at a true crossroads of a challenge. The choice is always ours. Hopefully, our faith will be strong enough. His call is never for his own sake. He calls us because the world he created and the Church he instituted need us. They wait just as he does for our response.

— Tracy Earl Welliver

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# MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

## ADULT AND FAMILY

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

Until our Archdiocese leaves

### **Phase 1 of the *Catholic Comeback***

All programming will be done virtually

(small groups will be via Zoom or Facebook Live)

Registration must be by email so that a link can be emailed to you

Contact [Kathy@mphwa.org](mailto:Kathy@mphwa.org) and watch the bulletin,  
MPH Facebook page and MPH website for up-to-date  
information

The current ***Living Faith*** booklets are available in the  
Parish Office and in the Little Free Library at 116th.

## MQSCA SCHOOL

**Principal: Jennifer Vega 414-476-0751**  
**Vegaj@mqscateacher.org**

**First Day of School: August 31st**

Teachers are unpacking and setting up their classrooms.

Come experience how an education at MQSCA can make a  
difference in your child's life.

**You can still enroll for 2020 - 2021 school year.**



**Eras**  
SENIOR NETWORK

**Faith in Action-  
Milwaukee County  
Outreach Program**

### **Volunteer and Put a Smile on a Senior's Face!**

We have an urgent need for **Volunteer Drivers** to take seniors in  
your neighborhood to their medical appointments or the grocery  
store. Eras has provided supportive service for older adults since

1991 based on the Neighborhood Outreach Program (in our  
neighborhood, formerly West Central Interfaith) and continues  
to do so under CDC Guidelines.

**Please call (414) 488-6500 to learn more about the volunteer  
opportunities** to help seniors in our community. Volunteering is  
flexible – choose when, where, and how you'd like to serve.

Older adults are very grateful for the assistance!

Eras continues to do the following:

- Transportation to medical appointments
- Grocery shopping for clients and delivery of groceries or food pantry stock boxes
- Seasonal yard clean up
- New client assessments over the phone
- Weekly wellness calls
- Mailing hand decorated birthday and holiday cards to our clients



### **ADORATION HOUR CHANGES PLEASE NOTE**

Monday morning Mass now begins at 8:00  
AM. Therefore, Adoration will begin at 9:00  
AM.

Also, until further notice, Adoration will  
close at 8:00 PM **on Thursday ONLY.**

### **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.



### **The Prayer Shawl Ministry wants to help you**

Do you need a hug or want to feel God's arms around you? Do  
you need tangible proof that you are being prayed for? Prayer  
Shawls are both of these things. A Prayer Shawl is a garment  
crocheted or knitted with prayers, blessings are added while it is  
being made, and a final group blessing prayed over it once it is  
finished. If you are experiencing major illness, surgery, a bad  
accident, cancer or a traumatic event, a Prayer Shawl is available  
for you. Please call the parish office and we will make sure that  
a Prayer Shawl is given to you.

We are also looking for people to help knit or crochet shawls for  
this ministry. Please contact Clara Weinberger 414-321-3363.

***St. Ben's Covid-19 Update:***  
**NO volunteer-made food or community meals in the  
dining room for the foreseeable future**  
With their certified staff, they will continue to provide &  
deliver carryout dinners for St. Anthony Apartments and  
several of the shelters in the area. ***Financial Donations  
needed and welcome***

***<https://www.capuchincommunityservices.org/ways-to-help/donations>***

**In August they will accept help from  
Certified Volunteers**

***To become a CERTIFIED VOLUNTEER to help  
with the take-out meal go to***

***<https://www.wirerestaurant.org/servsafe>***

For the course and test; cost is \$15

*Questions/volunteer:*

contact Kathy Smith 414-453-0300 x25 or [kathy@mphwa.org](mailto:kathy@mphwa.org)  
BLESSINGS to all those so faithful to this ministry!

# 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 parishes.

**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](http://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	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ _____</b>

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# Crossroads Kitchen Meal Program

Mother of Perpetual Help's St. Vincent De Paul Conference participates by creating and serving meals. We supply six 10 x 21 large casseroles and fourteen 5-quart buckets of Jell-O to the Cross Roads Kitchen (South) site and serve these meals.

Please consider volunteering to serve.

MPH is MOST in NEED of Volunteers to SERVE!

Serve at Crossroads Kitchen @ 931 W. Madison Street

The 5th Fridays & Sundays of the Month.

We need volunteers for Friday, August 28th (2-4 pm) and August 30th (2-5 pm and 5-7 pm )

If you have questions or would like to Volunteer, Contact  
John Donovan at [navonodj@att.net](mailto:navonodj@att.net) or (262) 784-2379



**Feeding the  
Community**

**Open to the Community and  
ALL Parishioners in Need**

**IF YOUR GARDEN IS  
BOUNTIFUL THIS SUMMER,  
consider sharing your  
produce with our pantry  
during our open hours!**

The M.P.H.  
St. Vincent de Paul  
**FOOD PANTRY**  
**is OPEN**

**During this Covid-19  
Period of Restriction**

The Pantry is located in the building at  
the far South end of the parking lot

**1212 S. 117<sup>th</sup> St., West Allis**

**EVERY SATURDAY 9:30-11:30 AM**

**LAST WED. of the month 6:00-7:30 PM**

**ALL OTHER WED. 9-11:00 AM**

**For emergencies please call 211**