

August 2, 2020

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*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

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them
to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds.
They all ate and were satisfied. - Mt 14:19c-20

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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



SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2020
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

No 8:00 AM Mass (106 St.)

No 9:30 AM Mass (116 St.)

11:00 AM † Valerie Stein and † Ralph Walczak
(106 St.)

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2020

8:00 AM † Robert, † Irma and † Mary Lannan
(Mass held at 106 Site)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020

8:15 AM † Manuel Lazama (Private)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020

8:00 AM Jerome Pflugradt (Mass held at 116 Site)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2020

No Mass

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 2020

No Mass

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2020

4:00 PM Good health for three special friends
(116 St.)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2020

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM † Mary Joan Stuessi (106 St.)

9:30 AM † Tony Keil (116 St.)

11:00 AM † Douglas Pederson (106 St.)

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



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MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

The Mary Candles 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

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 2, 2020

Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/
Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102
[68b]/Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21,
29 and 22-23 [17]/Mt 14:22-36 or
Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13
[cf. 10d]/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
[1a, 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd,
41 [39c]/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12—2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [11b]/
Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14
[8]/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33



GOD'S WORD

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time/August 2, 2020

First Reading:

Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. (Is 55:3a)

Second Reading:

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Rom 8:38-39)

Gospel:

Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied. (Mt 14:19-20a)

FROM THE PASTORS' DESK

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

August 2, 2020 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Many people in our world are hungry and thirsty. This hunger and thirst go well beyond physical needs for food, security, and shelter. Many are emotionally and spiritually parched, too. Behind every act of violence is a soul who hungers. People live with relationships that actually starve them. They are abused, exploited, disrespected, laughed at, and marginalized. There is a lot of confusion and inner pain that needs to be acknowledged and expressed. We all long to be understood and loved, even when our inner demons or who I am make it difficult to be. Do you live with inner confusion and pain? Folks often wander through life without any real direction or purpose and take their cues from what seems satisfying or popular at the moment. The deeper dots of our lives can easily remain unconnected, and we can find ourselves without grounding, purpose, or real happiness. Life becomes shallow and without real purpose as we hunger and thirst for an ultimate love.

It's easier to see the physical hungers and thirsts. We try to respond to these as best we can. Much more needs to be done. With all that God's earth can provide, nobody ought to face sleep at night with a belly that's empty. It's sinful. It's unjust. But isn't all hunger unjust? It doesn't need to be, and it should not be. Just as no one ought to be physically hungry and thirsty, there is really no need to be emotionally or spiritually deficient either. If we have more privileges at our fingertips, it is easier to try to satisfy our emotional and spiritual hungers and thirst by acting on impulse or self-indulgence, carelessly following passions, or by seeking self-destructive ways to dull the ache of emptiness.

Folks need to know where to look for nourishment and need the right friends to help them find it. We may not think that we have enough to respond to and to satisfy all of the needs, but we do. It doesn't take much. Five loaves and two fish provided for a huge crowd. With God, all things are possible. Our faith provides the direction for where God's children must go to find the nourishment they seek. It also tells us how to structure life so that justice and equity can be a reality for all. It also tells us how to respond to pain, sinfulness, and confusion. Come to the water and then help another get there.

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MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP 2019 - 2020 WEEK ENDING JULY 26, 2020

Membership	\$8,422.00
Repair and Maintenance	674.00
Scholarship	118.00
Offertory	945.00
Other	2.00
Total	\$10,161.00

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

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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 - 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/MPHWACatholicChurch>

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.

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 Power of a Simple Action

I remember seeing a story on a morning news program about a little girl who wanted to give an elderly man in a grocery store a hug. She had no way of knowing that this man had just lost his wife of many years and now felt so very alone and depressed. Her reaching out to the man seemed odd to her mom at first, but the girl was so insistent about giving a hug she moved the shopping carts close together so the exchange could take place. No one knew that from that moment on the little girl would ask to visit her new friend at least once a week for the next four years until he passed away. In an interview soon after the initial encounter, the man said, "I haven't been this happy in some time." Imagine the joy that relationship brought to them both over the years!

It was just a moment. It was a simple gesture. Yet, it had a large impact that no one could have predicted. You never know what will result when we give just a little of ourselves. That uncertainty too often leads us to hold back or refrain from the simple actions of love or gestures of generosity that could come so easily for us if we wanted. We should never doubt the power of a simple random act of kindness. Generosity does not need to be grand to make a big difference. The time is now, and the opportunity presents itself often to plant a small seed that God can water and nourish so that something beautiful can grow.

- Tracy Earl Welliver

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

ADULT AND FAMILY

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Thank You Fr. Thomas!

Many thanks to our pastoral and spiritual leader for all of his loving devotion to our parish through years of good times and not-so-good times. You will be greatly missed! We wish you all the best in your new assignment. Blessings and good health!

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

MQSCA SCHOOL

Principal: Jennifer Vega 414-476-0751
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Eras
SENIOR NETWORK

Faith in Action-
Milwaukee County
Outreach Program

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

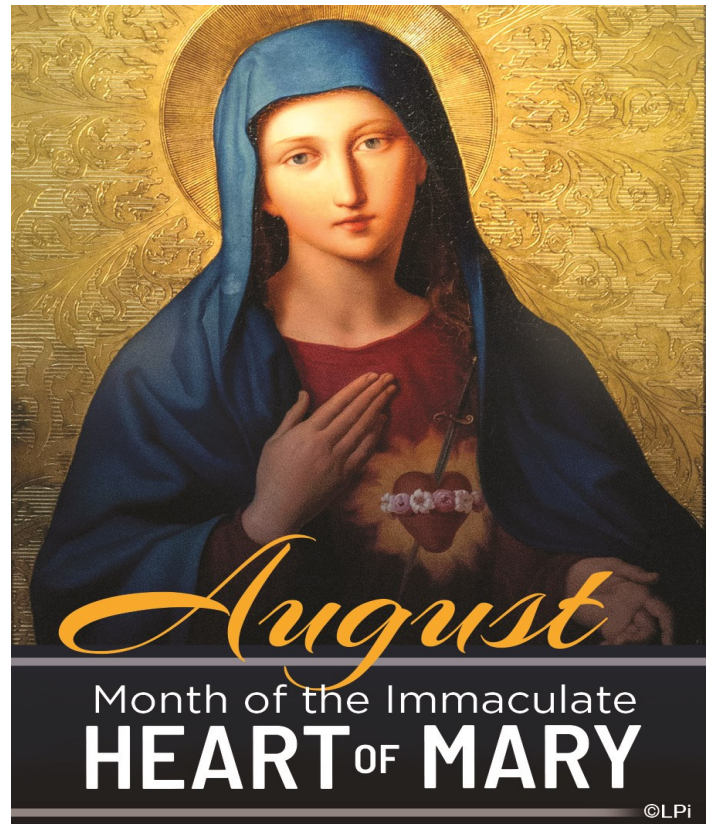
We have an urgent need for **Volunteer Drivers** to take seniors in your neighborhood to their medical appointments or the grocery store. Eras has provided supportive service for older adults since 1991 based on the Neighborhood Outreach Program (in our neighborhood, formerly West Central Interfaith) 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



Thank You!

to all those who came to Fr. Thomas' farewell party. We wish him all the best on his new assignment. Please keep Fr. Thomas in your prayers.

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 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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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
BLESSINGS to all those so faithful to this ministry!



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. 117th 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

Elder Concierge Services

- ◇ Do you have a question or need information about caregiver resources, home care, hospice, housing, meals, housekeeping, companionship, errand services or transportation?
- ◇ Do you need information about the Power of Attorney for Healthcare or guardianship?
- ◇ Do you need Social Service assistance or support?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Clement Manor's Director of Social Work and Concierge Services Jeanne Aliota at (414) 546-7319 or jaliota@clementmanor.com.

This service is being offered to the community at this time due to recognizing the many needs that are currently prevalent.