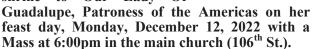


# Mother of Perpetual Help



# Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine Mother of the Americas

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will dedicate a new shrine to Our Lady Of



When the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Juan Diego in 1531, only a decade after Spain conquered Mexico, the relationship between the colonizers and the colonized was strained, to say the least. Into this atmosphere of conflict, Our Lady came to an ordinary peasant, speaking his native language and looking like a native princess, but speaking of a faith that was unknown, directing that a church be built for all people, uniting the cultures in her person and message. We pray that Our Lady of Guadalupe continue to reconcile the tensions between peoples and cultures of the Americas bring us all to the feet of her Son, Jesus. St. John Paul II named her Our Lady of the Americas.

# **Mass Times**

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm (MPH West)

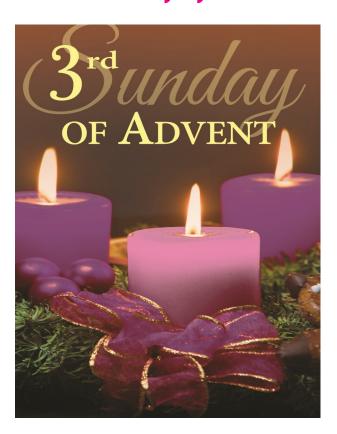
**Sunday:** 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 7:00 pm (MPH East)

**Week Days:** 8:00 am (Except Thursday)

First Saturday: 8:00 am (MPH East)

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Parish Office Hours:
8:30 - 4:30 pm Monday - Thursday

# Third Sunday of Advent



# Candle of Joy Prayer

Heavenly Father,

This third week of Advent, let us remember that the good news of Jesus' birth has the power to bring us great joy this Christmas season. Our joy isn't dependent on what is going on in our life, in our world, or the people that we are with. It doesn't depend on the gifts we give or the gifts we find under the tree. No earthly thing can ever give us complete joy. Our joy comes from you. That joy that flooded the hearts of the shepherds, the angels, the wise men, the hosts of heaven, and Mary and Joseph is the joy that still has the power to overwhelm our hearts with rejoicing.

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Welcome our new staff member!



Hello,

I'm your new parish Secretary! My name is Carrie Gorski. I usually attend the 7 pm mass; as I'm a parish member.

I look forward to working with you!

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP 2021 - 2022 WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 4, 2022

Membership
Repair and Maintenance 239.00
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Total......\$6,507.21

Our deep gratitude to parishioners and guests for their commitment to the ongoing work of Christ at Mother of Perpetual Help. \*These amounts do not reflect the on-line giving.

#### MASS INTENTIONS



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2022** 

4:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of our Parish (West Site)

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** 

8:30 AM † James Novitzke (East Site) 10:30 AM † Bernice Brah (East Site) 7:00 PM † Mary Shook (East Site)

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022** 

Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 AM †Anne Cheatham (East Site)
6:00 PM For the members of Mother of
Perpetual Help Parish (East Site)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022 8:00 AM † Thomas J. Brown (West Site)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022 8:00 AM † Pattie Lorch (East Site)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2022 8:00 AM † Donald Atkielski (East Site)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2022 4:00 PM † Carole Jachthuber (West Site)

# **Prayers**

#### Death(s)

We extend our sympathy to the Moscicki family on the death of **James A. Moscicki**. May he rest in peace and be risen to eternal glory!

#### MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The Mary Candles at 106th St. Site are burning this month
In Loving Memory of Thomas Kelleher and
Mike Kelleher

And In Loving Memory of Art Stueck

The Sacred Heart Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month In Loving Memory of Thomas J. Brown

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# REFLECTIONS FROM FR. MATTHEW

# "Rejoice in the Lord always...Indeed, the Lord is near." (Phil 4:4-5)

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called *Gaudete Sunday*. *Gaudete* is the Latin word meaning "rejoice." This Sunday is so named because "Rejoice" is the first word in the entrance antiphon for today's Mass taken from Philippians 4:4,5: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near." We mark this Sunday on our Advent wreath with a pink candle instead of a purple candle. This Sunday is a joyful reminder that our salvation is near.

This week's Gospel Reading continues our Advent reflection on the person and message of John the Baptist. Last week we heard John inviting us to repent and reform our lives to welcome the Messiah, Jesus. This week, we hear Jesus' message to John the Baptist, now in prison, about the signs of the kingdom found in Jesus' ministry and Jesus' assessment of John's role in the Kingdom of God.

In today's Gospel, John sends word to Jesus from prison, asking if Jesus is the Messiah for whom he has been waiting. Jesus responds by pointing to the miracles that he has worked and invites John and the other hearers to make their own determination. In his next breath, however, Jesus praises John for his role in preparing the way for Jesus. Then Jesus says that all of those who work for the Kingdom of God will be as great as John and even greater.

Jesus' message to John about the signs of the kingdom being performed recalls the salvation described by the prophet Isaiah. This passage is a reminder that the beginning of salvation is already mysteriously present to us, but also yet to be fulfilled. Salvation is already in our midst as manifest in the miraculous deeds of Jesus and in the Church. But salvation is also to be fulfilled in the coming reign of God. Even as we observe our world today, we can find glimpses of God's work among us. Even more, we help to prepare the way for God's kingdom by our words and our deeds. This message is indeed a cause for rejoicing.

# **Mother of Perpetual Help Christmas Mass Schedule**



# FEAST OF THE INCARNATION OF JESUS

Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) 4:00pm at 106<sup>th</sup> 8:30am at 106<sup>th</sup> 10:30am at 106<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm at 106<sup>th</sup>

#### FEAST OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD

New Years Eve (Dec. 31) 4:00pm at 116<sup>th</sup> New Years Day (Jan. 1) 8:30am at 106<sup>th</sup> 10:30am at 106<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm at 106<sup>th</sup>



#### MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Saturday, December 17th 10-12 p.m.

Confessions are held every Wednesday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### Readings for the week of December 11, 2022

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 5:7-10/

Mt 11:2-11

Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/

Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/

Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47 Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3,

6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23

/Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12,

13-14/Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/

Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Jn 5:33-36 Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/

Mt 1:1-17

Next Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/

Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Tuesday:

#### **Updated on December 6, 2022**



Parish Goal: \$1,231,658 Total Pledged: \$529,00 Percent Goal Pledged: 43% Number of Pledges: 181 Average Pledge: \$2,924

## "CELEBRATING SENIORS"

As We help to Build Friendships in Our Neighborhood

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish together with St. Camillus Serves

#### THANKS YOU!

Everyone who participated and those who volunteered – YOU ALL helped to make this a success!







#### MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP ADVENT ANGEL TREES

#### **Holiday Toy Drive for Capuchin Community Ministries**

Please donate one or more <u>new, unwrapped toys</u> to Capuchin Community Services. The friars will distribute toys at Christmas to families served at their two sites: House of Peace and St. Ben's Community Meal.

Please bring the items on or before: December 11 to place under the trees at either the West or East site, or order online by going to Christmas Toy Drive | Capuchin Community Services and choose Target or Amazon (gifts are then delivered directly to House of Peace)

- Playdoh Sets
- Scooter
- Hot Wheels Cars & Track
- RC Car or Truck
- Music Head/Earphones
- Coloring Set & Easel
- Action Figures
- Jumbo Character Stuffed Plush Animal
- Etch-A-Sketch
- Basketball, Football, Baseball or Soccerball
- Children's Books

 Other toys for children birth to 10 years of age Thank you for supporting our outreach to help families in need celebrate Christmas.







# **Celebrating the Sacraments**

**<u>Baptism</u>** 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 and on Wednesdays after the 8:00 am Mass.

<u>Anointing of the Sick</u> Anointing may be requested by calling the parish office or the pastor.

<u>Weddings</u> Please call the Parish office to make arrangements no later than 6 months prior to your anticipated date.

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022

Christmas Cookie Sales after all Masses

9:40 AM Religious Education Classes - PC/Gym & ND

(106 St)

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022**

9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022

5:30 PM Social Committee Mtg. - ND (106 St.)

7:00 PM Rosary - Church (106 St.)

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022

8:45 AM Sunday's Scripture Session - ND (106 St.)

9:00 AM MPH Helping Hands - BH (116 St.) 9-11 AM Food Pantry - BH (116 St.) 9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)

6:00 PM Joint Pastoral Council & Finance Mtg. - ND

(106 St.)

7:00 PM Dartball - Gym (106 St.)

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022

8:00 AM
2:00 PM
St. Ben's Sandwich Assembly - Ki (106 St.)
St. Ben's Food Delivery & Assembly - Ki
(106 St.)

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6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Church (106 St.)

#### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2022**

7:00 AM MPH Saturday Men's Group - ND (106 St.) 9:30 –11:30 AM Food Pantry - Bethany House (116 St.)

#### MPH SVDP FOOD PANTRY

Will be closed on Dec. 24

Christmas Food Give-Away will be Dec. 17
Many thanks to all our regular donors!
Do you shop at the Greenfield Meijer's?
Buy a "Simply Give" \$10 card anytime in
December and it will be matched by Meijer

Buy it on Dec. 17 and it will be Double Matched!!

# Please Join Us for Some Fun MPH Parish Dinner

& Show

Saturday January 14, 2023

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish Center (East Site Gym)

Buffet Dinner by **Bunzel's Catering**Entertainment by **Comedy Sportz** 

Cost \$35 per ticket

Seating is Limited

Tickets will be available after each Mass

Makes a great Christmas Gift

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# MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

# **HUMAN CONCERNS/OUTREACH**

Director: Kathy Smith 414-453-5192 ext. 125 Kathy@mphwa.org.



ADVENT ANGEL TREE due TODAY!!
Capuchin Community Toy Drive (see box) &
Fr. Gene's Help Center Coat Drive
Children's (2T-XL Boys & Girls),
Women's (all sizes), Men's (espec. L-XXXXL)
New Coats preferred

# St. Ben's Community Meal

The next 3rd Monday is December 19

The bag dinners are prepared on the Thursdays before the 3rd and 4th Fridays

Next up are December 15 & 22

Sandwich prep & food delivery 8-9am; additional food delivery 2-4pm at our East (106th St.) site

Desserts, chips, cuties or oranges, string cheese are all appreciated

Contact Kathy: to donate/serve

Questions/volunteer:

Kathy Smith 414-453-5192x125 or kathy@mphwa.org

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**December Classes are:** 

Sunday, December 11th Sunday, December 18th

# **MQSCA SCHOOL**



Principal: Nick Lee 414-476-0751 leen@mqscateacher.org

Mary Queen of Saints Catholic Academy wishes all of our parish communities many blessings during this Advent season as we prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ.

We are welcoming all to join us for our Christmas concert on December 14 at 6pm.

Save the date for MQSCA **First Annual** *Sip and Support* Beer and Wine Tasting fundraiser on March 11th. Tickets will go on sale soon; \$30 per person or 4 for \$100, in advance; or \$35 at the door, more information to come soon!



#### Cookie Sale

This weekend, December 10th and 11th after all Masses

Any questions please call Mary Margaret at 262-786-9542.



# Senior Christmas Party December 20th

\$10.00 per person Notre Dame Room (106 St. Site)

Make Reservations by December 13th. Mary Margaret Marshall 262-786-9542

**Catered by Bunzels** 

# Ministry Schedules for December 18, Fourth Sunday of Advent

	Saturday, December 17 4:00 pm Mass	Sunday, December 18 8:30 am Mass	Sunday, December 18 10:30 am Mass	Sunday, December 18 7:00 pm Mass
Lector	Barbara Schwellinger	Laurie Gomez John Gomez	Julie Herbst Mary Lee Dusick	Margaret Rondeau
Eucharistic Ministers	Dennis Jablonski Rachel Formolo Mary Margaret Marshall	Terri Wesell Ron Wesell Carol Schroeder	Dave Shook Sue Harrits Laurie Cosson	Marilyn Licht Don Falk Karen Barnes
Ushers	Tom Cannek Maggie Cannek	Ed Kuske Bob Studer Patti Studer Jim Peterson Debbie Peterson	Susan Scharmach Ray Ciszewski Gil Van Blaricom Don Pederson	Rick Raetz Tom Healy Allan Muckerheide Joe Kujawa Bob Lewicki