

*Welcome to
Mother of Perpetual Help Parish
West Allis*

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



THE HOLY FAMILY

“Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel,
for those who sought the child’s life are dead.” - Mt 2:20

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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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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, DECEMBER 29, 2019

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND
JOSEPH**

8:00 AM † Thomas Kelleher (106 St.)

**9:30 AM Living and Deceased Members of our
Parish (116 St.)**

11:00 AM † Angeline and Alvin Herden (106 St.)

**7:00 PM † Mary Will and
Rebecca Matthews and Family (92 St.)**

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2019

7:00 AM † June Jafuta (106 St.)

8:00 AM † Dorothy Terrian (116 St.)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2019 - New Years Eve

4:00 PM † Cecilia Burgad (116 St.)

**WEDNESDAY, January 1, 2020 - New Years Day
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

9:00 AM † Josefina Manego Dimen (106 St.)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2020

No 7:00 AM Mass - Communion Service (106 St.)

FIRST FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2020

7:00 AM For the sick and elderly (106 St.)

**8:10 AM Margaret Rondeau - For continued
strength and recovery (92 St.)**

FIRST SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2020

8:00 AM MASS Reconciliation until 9:30 a.m. (92 St.)

4:00 PM † Mary McCarthy (116 St.)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

8:00 AM † Samantha Blagg (106 St.)

9:30 AM † Vincent Azzolina (116 St.)

11:00 AM † Julie Karis (106 St.)

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

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GOD'S WORD

The Holy Family/December 29, 2019

First Reading:

Kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins — a house raised in justice to you. (Sir 3:14)

Second Reading:

And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful.

(Col 3:15)

Gospel:

When the magi had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you." (Mt 2:13a)

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 on 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 December 29, 2019

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9,
10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [
11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/
Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/
Jn 1:19-28

Friday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 [3cd]/
Jn 1:29-34

Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [3cd]/Jn 1:35-42

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

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

In Loving Memory of Michael, Thomas and Tommy Kelleher

And

In Loving Memory of Walter and Gloria Keller

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

For the Balistriero Family

And

In Loving Memory of Tess Flanagan

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

In Loving Memory of Gloria Keller

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

In Loving Memory of Dorothy Terrian



FROM THE PASTORS' DESK



For the Feast of the Holy Family...

A little boy greets his father as he returns from work with a question: "Daddy, how much do you make an hour?" The father is surprised and says, "Look, son, not even your mother knows. Don't bother me now, I'm tired." "But Daddy, just tell me please! How much do you make an hour?" the boy insists. The father finally gives up and replies, "Twenty dollars." "Okay, Daddy," the boy continues, "Could you loan me ten dollars?" The father yells at him, "So that was the reason you asked how much I earn, right? Now, go to sleep and don't bother me anymore!" At night the father thinks over what he said and starts feeling guilty. Maybe his son needed to buy something. Finally, he goes to his son's room. "Are you asleep, son?" asks the father. "No, Daddy. Why?" replies the boy. "Here's the money you asked for earlier," the father said. "Thanks, Daddy!" replies the boy and receives the money. The he reaches under his pillow and brings out some more money. "Now I have enough! Now I have twenty dollars!" says the boy to his father, "Daddy, could you sell me one hour of your time?"

Today's readings have a message for this man and for all of us, and the message is that we need to invest more of our time in our family life. In our busy lives we don't have enough time for our families. We rarely pray together. We are too busy to care for our loved ones. This feast invites us to make sure that the Lord is with us in our families all the time. If God is missing the priority should be given to bring him back. Joseph and Mary faced many challenges because they said yes to the will of God. Having a holy family does not mean that there are no hardships and challenges in family life. It simply means that in all the troubles and difficulties of life we make sure that we are with the Lord. Missing the Lord is the basic problem that families face now.

On this feast of Holy Family let us try to make our families holy by making sure of the presence of the Lord in our family and having time for our family members.



MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
2018 - 2019
WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 22, 2019

Contributions will be reported in next week's bulletin.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

KEY

Sites	Rooms
92nd Street Site - (92 St.)	ND—Notre Dame Rm
106th Street Site - (106 St.)	GH - Gonzaga Hall
116th Street Site - (116 St.)	BH - Bethany House
	PC - Parish Center
	PMR - Parish Meeting Room

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2019

9:15 AM Book Chat - PC 8 (106 St.)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2019

8 AM-9PM Eucharistic Adoration - Church (106 St.)
9:30 AM Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2019

New Year's Eve

Closed Eucharistic Adoration - Church (106 St.)
Closed Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)
Closed Rosary - Church (106 St.)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2020

New Year's Day

Closed Eucharistic Adoration - Church (106 St.)
Closed SVDP Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)
Closed Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2020

8 AM-9PM Eucharistic Adoration - Church (106 St.)
9:30 AM Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)
10:30 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - B1/B2 (92 St.)
1:30 PM Divine Mercy Cenacle - PC 7 (106 St.)
7:00 PM Bach Chamber Choir - Church (116 St.)

FIRST FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2020

9:00AM-3:00PM Eucharistic Adoration - Church (92 St.)
9:30 AM Senior Meal Program - GH (92 St.)
4:30 PM Fish Fry - Hall (116 St.)
6:30 PM Confirmation Overnight Retreat - All PC, ND Gym
(106 St.)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2020

NO MPH Men's Scripture Group - BH Living Rm (106 St.)
6:00 AM Confirmation Overnight Retreat - All PC, ND Gym
(106 St.)
9:30 AM SVDP Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

9:15 AM Religious Education Classes - Gym/ND/All PC -
(106 St.)
9:15 AM Book Chat - PC 8 (106 St.)

Mother of Perpetual Help Choir will sing at the following Masses

January 5, 8:00 AM (106 Site)
Saturday, January 11, 4:00 PM (116 Site)
January 19, 8:00 AM (106 Site)
January 26, 9:30 AM (116 Site)

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

ADULT AND FAMILY

Director: Kathy Smith 414-453-0300 ext. 25
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We hope that you and your family had a wonderful Christmas with your family and friends and are entering into the New Year (2020!!!) with eager anticipation and joyous thoughts! Blessings!



CHILD AND YOUTH MINISTRY

Director: Becca Bojarski 414-453-0300 ext. 26
Becca@mphwa.org

January 5th: Sunday Morning Class
9:15 am (No Confirmation Teens)

Just a Reminder

Mother of Perpetual Help has a Prayer Chain. If you, a loved one or someone you know is in need of prayers you can call the Parish Office at 414-453-5192 or call Nell Lee at 414-529-1642.

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish

Fish Fry

At the 116th St. Site

Friday, January 3rd

Serving from 4:30-7:00 PM in the church hall. Come join us for fried or baked cod, fried shrimp, parsley buttered potatoes, French fries, potato pancakes, mac & cheese, green beans, rye bread, dessert, coffee or milk. All this for \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 5-11, kids under 5 eat free. Have a family member who hates fish? Alternates are available with a slight wait. Come and meet old friends, make new friends and enjoy a great meal.



Attention:

May we have an hour of your time? If you are looking for a rewarding experience, we are looking for a Eucharistic Minister to distribute Holy Communion to new mothers every Thursday morning from 9-10 AM at West Allis Memorial Hospital. "Job-sharing" is possible. Questions? Contact John Weber at 262-424-7497. Thank you!

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PARISH NEWS

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YOU ARE ALL AMAZING, and we are blessed.

Advent & Christmas blessings to ALL!



Year-end Reminders

A few "business" things to remember as we approach the end of the year:

- All donations must be received no later than December 31 in order to be applied to your 2019 contribution records. Donations at the December 31st Mass will count toward 2019, donations at the January 1st Mass will be applied to 2020. Because of IRS rules we cannot make any exceptions.
- The parish office will be open limited times through the holiday season. If you are planning on dropping off your year-end donation please call to be sure there will be someone available.

MORNING BOOK CHAT

At 106th Street Site

Next Book Chat is January 5th
(9:15-10:45 a.m.) Parish Center 8

The new book is "Not a fan – becoming a completely committed follower of Jesus" by Kyle Idleman

All are welcome!

Coffee, tea and snack provided.



Mother of Perpetual Help New Year's Day Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve (Tuesday, December 31)
4:00 PM (116th St. Site)

New Year's Day (Wednesday, January 1)
Holy Day of Obligation
9:00 AM (106th St. Site)
(No 7:00 PM Mass at (92nd St. Site))

First Saturday Mass
January 4th at 8:00 AM
Reconciliation will follow
after Mass until 9:30 AM.
At 92nd Street Site

HOSPITAL EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Do you have 45 minutes to spare, to bring our Eucharistic Lord to patients at Aurora West Allis Hospital on one Sunday a month? Mary Queen of Heaven has been involved with bringing the Eucharist to patients at West Allis Hospital for over 25 years on the last 2 Sundays of the month. We have an opportunity for 2 volunteers to join us, after the 8:30 Mass, at each of the Sundays mentioned above, 1 person needed for each Sunday. If you are interested in joining us in this rewarding ministry, or would just like more information, please call Grace Elliott, 262-786-3840 (after 5:00 pm).

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

Adoration Chapel
(106th Street Site)
Monday-Thursday
8:00 AM to 9:00 PM



"Let every knee bend before Thee, O greatness of my God, so supremely humbled in the Sacred Host. May every heart love Thee, every spirit adore Thee and every will be subject to Thee!"
(St. Margaret Mary Alacoque).

Please Note:

Due to Fr. Thomas being gone during the month of January, there **will not** be a 7:00 a.m. morning Mass on Thursdays. There will be a communion service.

St. Ben's for JANUARY

3rd Friday, Jan. 17th, 4th Friday, Jan. 24th

Potato delivery by **Wednesday Jan. 15th & 22nd**
Washing on **Thursday, Jan. 16th & 23rd** at 8AM
In the 116th St. Kitchen

Questions/volunteer:

contact Kathy Smith 414-453-0300 x25 or kathy@mphwa.org

New Serving Volunteers always welcome & needed!

BLESSINGS to all those so faithful to this ministry!

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.

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- ◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call **(888) 574-5653.**
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Any questions or for help setting up your account, please contact Mary at the Parish Office 414-453-5192.