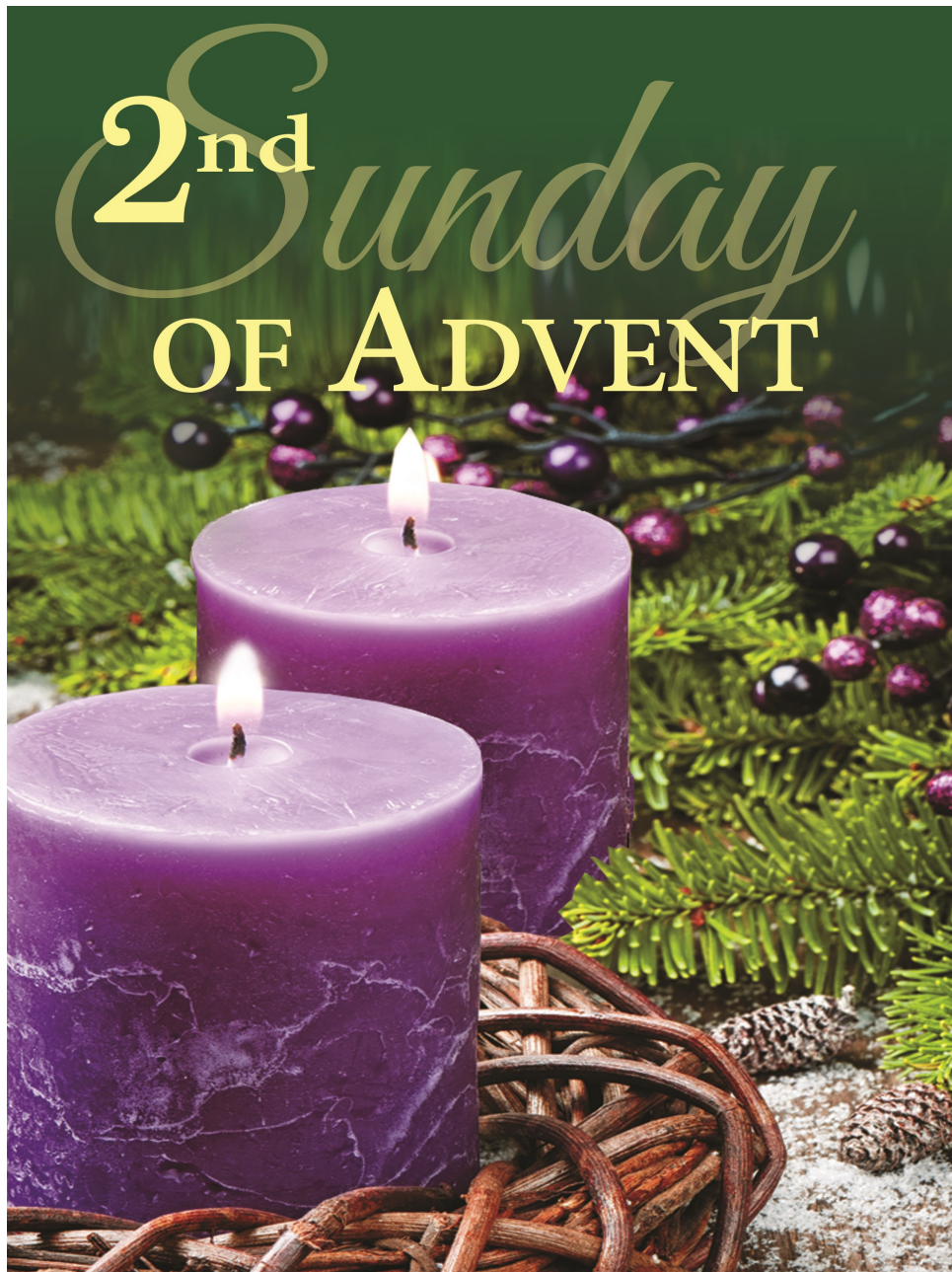


December 6, 2020

Second Sunday of Advent

*Welcome to
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West Allis*

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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

**Fr. Jeff Prasser (262) 424-3341
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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 6, 2020
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of Our
Parish (106 St.)

9:30 AM † Tony Keil (116 St.)

11:00 AM Health and healing of Jesse Welsch
(106 St.)

7:00 PM † Hank Martinez (92 St.)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020

8:00 AM † William Dowling, MD (106 St.)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 AM † Theresa Wittwer (116 St.)

7:00 PM † William Dowling, MD (106 St.)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020

8:00 AM Faithful souls in Purgatory (106 St.)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2020

No Mass

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2020

8:00 AM † Mary Shook (106 St.)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2020

4:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of Our
Parish ((116 St.)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 AM † Carl and Marge Peterson (106 St.)

9:30 AM † Len Gaska (116 St.)

11:00 AM † Rosemary Vaughan (106 St.)

7:00 PM † Irene Scardino (92 St.)



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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 December 6, 2020

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/ Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/ Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/ Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



GOD'S WORD

2nd Sunday of Advent/December 6, 2019

First Reading:

A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! (Is 40:3)

Second Reading:

The day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out. (2 Pt 3:10)

Gospel:

“One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” (Mk 1:7b-8)

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



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

**In Loving Memory of
Thomas and Mike Kelleher**

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

In Loving Memory of Art Stueck

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Members of MPH,

Just a quick note to update you on my situation. This past week I had another procedure to free up my left kidney from more stones and repair some damage done by the first attempt. As my kidney function gets better, things can move forward in the transplant area.

I should be finished with the evaluation for a possible transplant in the next two weeks. In the meantime, I continue to go about every other week to have fluid removed from my 'insides' which always produces several good days.

Thanks again for all your prayers and concern and understanding. Together we await the coming of our Savior, allowing the light of His love to brighten our way this Advent time.

Fr. Jeff



Holy Day December 8th The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 a.m. 116th Street Site
7:00 p.m. 106th Street Site



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 6, 2020
2nd Sunday of Advent

People knew over a year in advance that the Pope was coming for a visit to America and the preparations began. Security, space limitations and requirements, protocols, crowd management, itineraries, invitations, regulations, and so much more was necessary to pull this event off effectively. It's not every day that we get a visit from such a prominent dignitary. Thought, effort, meticulous attention to detail and vision all are necessary to make this thing work. After all, he can't just show up in the ordinary and normal daily routines of life and catch people unprepared! Tickets have to be purchased, buses rented, hotel rooms reserved, and travel arrangements made early because it will be impossible to see him if we wait too long!

We do this kind of preparing not only for prominent religious figures but for political dignitaries, notable sports figures, people of fame, and even actors. If an individual intrigues us, we are going to want to do all we have to do to get a "good seat" in the house. Does Jesus Christ captivate this much of our attention? We are asked to prepare the way of the Lord and to do so not with frantic frenzy but patient enthusiasm. We do not have to stand on a street corner making profound announcements about God's coming or become overly zealous in our embrace of the Good News. Our task is quieter, more interior, captivating, and consuming. We are asked to change. We have to conduct our lives with holy devotion.

Is the cost of that ticket too much for you? Don't you want the "best seat" in the house? You don't want to miss Our Lord's arrival when he comes, do you? After all, if he comes while you are going about your daily routines without you even knowing, he may catch you off guard. Or, he may come in disguise looking like a beggar, a prisoner, migrant, refugee, or someone who is lost. Would you be ready to recognize him then? Preparing for the coming of Christ requires a change of mind, heart, and behavior. It is not adequate to simply do the things we always do. We want our lives to speak of the exciting news of Christ's coming and the joy that the Gospel brings. It has to do with our demeanor, values, priorities, choices, and how we structure daily routines. Of course, it involves sacrifice. All anticipations do! Are you excited, captivated, enthusiastic, and sitting on the edge of your seat eager to celebrate his coming among us at Christmas, and waiting for him to come again? If not, why not?

Thank You

From our MPH St. Vincent de Paul
Conference
And All Those We Serve!!

Due to YOUR generosity over the past several months,
we were able to donate:

1. \$5,000 to the SVDP Crossroads Meal Program
2. \$4,500 to Hunger Task Force
3. \$2,500 to SVDP Needy Conferences
4. \$1,500 to SVDP National Disaster Services
5. \$1,000 to the Harambe Meal Program
6. IN ADDITION to serving countless families and individuals at our MPH Food Pantry

Each and Every One of You is living out Jesus' Gospel Message:



LOVE

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP 2019 - 2020

WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 15, 2020

Membership.....	\$16,585.00
Repair and Maintenance.....	992.00
Scholarship.....	247.00
Offertory.....	670.25
Holy Day.....	10.00
Total.....	\$18,504.25

WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 22, 2020

Membership.....	\$5,158.00
Repair and Maintenance.....	232.00
Scholarship.....	35.00
Offertory.....	690.00
Total.....	\$6,115.00

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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HUMAN CONCERNS/OUTREACH

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

HAPPY
ST. NICHOLAS DAY
Everyone!



ADVENT OUTREACH 2020



House of Peace Toy Drive
(Capuchin Community Services)
at the 106th Street site only

Barb's Baby Ministry
At the 116th Street site only

Collections end this weekend except the Reverse Advent Calendar for the Food Pantry which will run through Christmas to the New Year.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!!

CHILD AND YOUTH MINISTRY

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

RE Sunday Pack Pick-Up:
January 10th
February 7th

(Anytime between 9 - 10 am at the 2322 S. 106th St. classroom building)

Confirmation - Day Retreat: January 3rd, 10 am - 3 pm.
Classrooms at 106th Street



ADVENT, 2020
MOTHER OF
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HOUSE OF
PEACE TOY
COLLECTION

Toys will be collected
Nov. 28-Dec. 6; Deliver
to 106th Street Site

Church designated areas
UNWRAPPED PLEASE

Toy suggestions: No violence themes,
Playdoh Sets • Scooter • Hot Wheels Cars &
Track • RC Car or Truck • Music
Head/Earphones • Coloring Set & Easel •
Vetch Laptop • Avengers Action Figures •
Jumbo Character Stuffed Plush Animal • Etch-
A-Sketch • Basketball, Football, Baseball or
Soccer ball • Children's Books



MQSCA SCHOOL

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

Advent will be celebrated a bit differently this year. Because we are in 'remote learning' mode, we will miss the opportunity to prepare and celebrate with the students; however, we will continue to teach them about the joys of Advent and the message of hope as we prepare for the birth of Christ. Our transition to remote learning has been relatively smooth. We miss having children in the building, but have been quite pleased with the attendance in virtual lessons. We have had a few typical issues with technology, but for the most part, students are present and engaged in their classes. We will do our best to keep them engaged and moving forward in these 5-1/2 weeks of remote learning. Thank you for your continued prayers for our school community during this time of remote learning and advent.



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.

ADVENT, 2020

MPH BARB'S BABY MINISTRY Angel Tree Collection

Nov. 28-Dec. 6 Deliver to the 116th St. Site Church Gathering Area

Requested Items:

New clothing, NB-5T (boys or girls) Gently Used clothing 2T-5T (boys or girls)
New: Diapers NB-1 Wipes Teething toys Bibs NB towels
Pacifiers Bottles Stuffed animals (new only) Burp Cloths



Many thanks for your continued generosity!
Financial contributions also welcome (checks payable to MPH,
Note "Barb's Baby Ministry" in memo section and/or on envelope

St. Ben's Covid-19 Update:

NO volunteer-made food or community meals in the dining room for the foreseeable future

Questions/volunteer:

contact Kathy Smith 414-453-0300 x25 or kathy@mphwa.org
BLESSINGS to all those so faithful to this ministry!

ADVENT 2020

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR To Benefit the MPH FOOD PANTRY



**EACH DAY, add an item to a box,
Bring the box to the MPH Food Pantry after January 1**



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 \$ _____

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Soon, you will receive a large postcard with information regarding our Christmas Masses.

- * We will have 6 masses, three on Christmas Eve and three on Christmas Day. It also lists the location for each celebration.
- * As space is limited, it will be necessary for you to call in to the office to reserve your space(s), and to tell us which mass you will attend. Our capacity per Mass is 150 people at 116th and 106th and 200 at 92nd Street.
- * The usual safeguards will remain in place. +To enter any of the buildings YOU MUST wear a face covering. They are available at the entrances of each building if you do not have one. +Members living in the same household may sit together. +Seating areas in each Church are clearly marked as they have been. Hand sanitizer is also available.
- * The 4 PM mass will be recorded and broadcast shortly after on the Parish YouTube channel for those who are unable to attend mass because of personal circumstances/health concerns.
- * If you are unable to be with us, consider making one of the broadcast masses part of your Christmas celebration alongside your planning for the day.
- * These are, as we so often say, challenging times, but we must always remember that God is on our side. No more so than when we remember the greatest gift we have ever been given; the birth of His Only Begotten Son, His Holy Church, the Sacraments and the gift that we are for one another.

Peace,

Fr. Jeff



Adoration Chapel

Monday & Wednesday 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM
Tuesday 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM & Thursday
8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

“O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present

in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners.”

(Angel of Peace Prayer taught to the 3 Children in Fatima during the Angel’s apparition to them in fall of 1916).

You are most welcome to stop in church for a visit or a few minutes of prayer. If you have any questions, please call Grace Elliott, 262-786-3840.



WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning Mass will be celebrated at 8 AM at 106th Street site. Tuesday Mass will be at 8:15 AM at the 116th Street Site and at various times throughout the year we will be joined by the school children.

First Saturday morning Mass followed by confessions has returned to the 106th Street site.

MASS ON VIDEO

Thanks to all who have made the availability of a video 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/c/MPHWACatholicChurch>

ROSARY

Please Note: Due to the rise in Covid cases the Tuesday Evening Rosary at the 106th St. site will be cancelled for the month of December. It will resume on January 5th. Thank you!



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