

# Mother of Perpetual Help PARISH



#### **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.

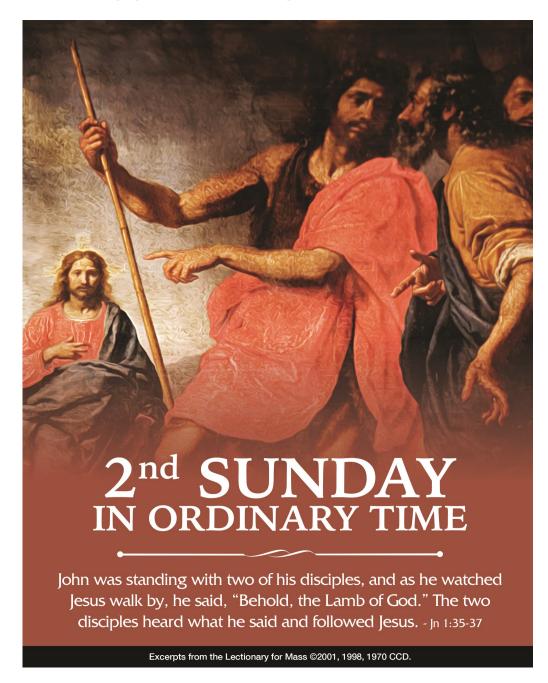
Help our parish to be an instrument in the hands of God

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

# 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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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 STIE 1212 S. 117th Street

## MASS INTENTIONS



SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of Our
Parish (106 St.)

9:30 AM † Carolyn Cindric (116 St.) 11:00 AM † Nancy Lockett (106 St.) 7:00 PM † Mary Pat Frederiksen (92 St.)

MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021 8:00 AM † Carol Gile (106 St.)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021 8:15 AM In thanksgiving for Margaret Rondeau (116 St.)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021 8:00 AM † Deacon Gene Brah (106 St.)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2021 No Mass

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2021 8:00 AM † David Neis (106 St.)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2021 4:00 PM † Uncle Joe (116 St.)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2021 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 AM Jerome Pflugradt (106 St.)

9:30 AM † Tony Keil (116 St.)

11:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of Our Parish (106 St.)

7:00 PM † Dolores Henrichs (92 St.)



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#### **Celebrating the Sacraments**

**<u>Baptism</u>** 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. 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.

<u>Weddings</u> 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 January 17, 2021

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

[8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42 Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]

Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4

[4b]/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9,

10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12,

13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/

Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/

1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

# God's Word

# MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

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

For the healing of Melissa Bennetts

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

In Loving Honor of Ed Renner

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

# 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time / January 17, 2021

#### First Reading:

When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

(1 Sm 3:9-10)

**Second Reading:** 

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him.
(1 Cor 6:15, 17)

#### Gospel:

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. (Jn 1:39)



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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

# GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

## January 17, 2021 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

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#### MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP 2020 - 2021 WEEK ENDING JANUARY 10, 2021

Membership	\$16,194.50
Repair and Maintenance	594.50
Scholarship	
Holy Day	60.00
Offertory	
Total	\$17.595.00

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



#### <u>WEEKDAY MASSES</u>

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 106<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="www.mphwa.org">www.mphwa.org</a> - 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



You are the glory of Jerusalem, the surpassing joy of Israel; you are the splendid boast of your people.

(Judith 15:9).

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. evening Rosary held at the 106th Street site. Let us come before the Blessed Sacrament with our intercession to

Mary, Our Mother for blessing and guidance as we go through this unprecedented time. We will pray for the soul of our Nation, the soul of the Catholic church, the soul of MPH, our own personal intentions and an end to Covid 19.

# **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 At the 106th Street location

"If people spent one hour per week in Eucharistic Adoration, abortion would be ended."

(Mother Teresa {St. Teresa of Calcutta}).

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.



# 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.

## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP OF WEST ALLIS

## **HUMAN CONCERNS/OUTREACH**

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

#### **OUTREACH**

The general definition is "meeting people where they are." It takes many forms and is our way of reaching out to the greater community with care and concern for all.

Here at MPH:

- We have a St. Vincent de Paul Conference who makes home visits (during the pandemic via phone), hosts a community food pantry, and helps with the Crossroads community meal program.
  - We have a baby ministry that helps various agencies in our community that serve families with babies & toddlers by providing them with clothing and essentials.
- ♦ We make Dignity Kits for prisoners who are released, which are then distributed for us by Project Return.
  - We collect clothing and blankets for several local agencies including Repairers of the Breach and House of Peace.
  - ♦ When the Covid-19 crisis ends, we will return to providing meals and volunteers to serve the meals for St. Ben's Community Meal Program
  - We highlight and work with various organizations in our community that benefit many of our community members such as Eras Senior Network, NAMI Greater Milwaukee and NAMI Waukesha (now known as NAMI Southeast Wisconsin serving Milwaukee, Waukesha and Washington Counties), Respect Life and others.

If you are interested in helping with any of these or have additional ideas, contact Kathy. Also, consider joining our Human Concerns Committee!

# CHILD AND YOUTH MINISTRY

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

# RE Sunday Pack Pick-Up: <u>February 7th</u> March 6th

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

# **Confirmation - Teens Only Meetings:**

February 7th, March 7th and April 18th 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. At 106th St. site

# 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!

# **MQSCA School**

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

The entire MQSCA is excited to welcome back the students to in-person learning on Wednesday, January 20! Remote learning helped us reduce the community spread of COVID-19 during and after the holidays, but we are ready to once again have the children back in the classroom. We are happy to say that during this brief shut down we continued to provide excellent live instruction for all students and we were able to support students by providing meals for families who indicated a need. Also happening during January is the Salvation Army pajama drive sponsored by the K4 classroom. If you wish to donate to this cause, please bring the new pajamas to the main office at the 116<sup>th</sup> St. entrance.

Below are two photos of students who had a lunch of their choice delivered to their house. They earned the lunch by being randomly drawn from all of the students who completed their online instructional programs during the shut-down. Hard work pays off!







# **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 <u>mphwa.org</u> 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	<b>\$</b>
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#### **Christ Is Anything but Ordinary**

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives.

The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flatlining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory.

Are you bored yet?

Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call.

In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question.

What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing?

None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25.

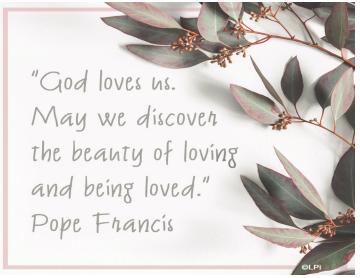
Remember what you are looking for. Come, and you will see.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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#### **Many Thanks**

To the Confirmation Students in our Religious Education Program for the 5 beautiful (and warm!) fleece blankets they created for our Barb's Baby Ministry! Well done!





#### ST. FLORIAN'S DRIVE-THRU FISH FRY St. Florian School, 1215 South 45 Street, West Milwaukee 53214

Please join us for our next Fish Fry on Friday, February 5 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the school parking lot.



Please follow the signs and remain in your car. We will come to you.

#### **Cost is \$11.00**

- 1. Fried Cod with French Fries
- 2. Fried Cod with Parsley-Buttered Potatoes
- 3. Baked Cod with Parsley-Buttered Potatoes
- 4. Baked Cod with French Fries
- 5. Chicken Tenders with French Fries

No substitutions

**Dinners will include:** Cole Slaw, Applesauce, Rye Bread, Butter, Tartar Sauce and Dessert. (*Chicken Tenders come with BBQ Sauce*) Clam Chowder will also be available. \**Event subject to change* 

Any other questions? Please call 414-383-3565, ext. 0.

#### **Respect Life Mass - January 22**

January is Respect Life month to continue building a culture that cherishes and protects every human life. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children." The Archdiocese of Milwaukee will host 10 Masses across the archdiocese. www.archmil.org/RespectLife

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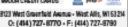
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