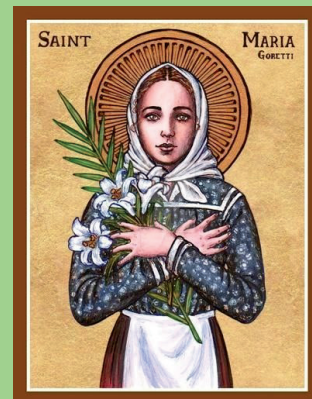




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

September 17, 2023
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday
In Ordinary Time



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Weekend Mass: Saturday—4:30pm, Sunday—9:30am, 11:30am

Weekday Mass: Monday—Thursday at 8:30am

Holy Day Masses: 8:30am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm

Confession (Reconciliation): Saturdays from 3:30-4:00pm

Baptisms: Celebrated once a month at 1:00pm

Contact the rectory to register as a new parishioner or to schedule a Baptism, Wedding, Funeral, or Anointing.

From the Pastor's Desk

As I spoke about at the Masses last weekend, we are in the midst of doing several renovations around the parish campus, and one of our upcoming projects is to install new carpeting in the church. While we have not asked for any donations for all the other significant renovations, we are asking everyone to consider supporting our fundraiser for the church carpet – and this fundraiser is called “Fr. Rob’s 96.5 miles on Insanity.”

As I described last weekend, I will be competing in two very big races within one week of each other, and I’m asking people to sponsor me in these races to help raise money for the new carpeting. On Sep. 30th I will compete in an Ironman 70.3 triathlon in Muncie, IN, where I will swim 1.2 miles, bike 56 miles, and run 13.1 miles, for a total of 70.3 miles. Then, on Oct. 8th, I will run 26.2 miles in the Chicago Marathon. Put together, that is 96.5 miles (of insanity!) in one week.

If you would like to donate to this fundraiser, please go to hvmparish.org and click on Donate. As you’re filling out the donation page, please be sure to write “Carpet” in the Notes section, so that we know where you would like your donation to go. If you prefer to donate by cash or check, you can use the envelopes that are in the pews, or use a blank envelope. For checks, please be sure to make them out to “Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish” and write “Carpet” in the memo line. You can drop your envelope in the Sunday collection basket at any time, even after the two races are over. As I had mentioned, the estimated cost for the carpet and installation is \$40,000, but our previous race fundraisers each generated tens of thousands of dollars, so I’m hoping we can come close to covering the carpet cost. Thank you for your support!

Don’t forget that you can still register your child(ren) in our Religious Education (RE) program. RE is for Catholic students in grade K-8 who do not attend a Catholic school. RE is an important part of teaching and handing on the faith to the next generation. RE classes are offered on either Tuesday evenings or Saturday mornings (your choice). The first class has already taken place, but there is still time to register. Visit our website at hvmparish.org, and on the Religious Education tab, click on Children’s Faith Formation to register online. Or you can register on-site by arriving early on the next class day – the next Saturday class is at 9:00am on Sep. 23, and the next Tuesday class is at 6:00pm on Sep. 26.

Finally, as we also spoke about at Mass last weekend, everyone is invited to join us for our first season of Alpha. What is Alpha? It is a series of group conversations that explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open and non-judgmental environment. The important thing to know is that everyone is welcome at Alpha, no matter your background or beliefs. Each Alpha session includes: 1. Enjoying a meal together; 2. Watching a video that deals with questions of faith (e.g., Who is God? What is the meaning of life?); 3. Sharing your thoughts and listening to others. And please remember that you can share as much or as little as you’d like – again, it is a pressure-free environment.

Our first Alpha session is this Wednesday, Sep. 20th at 6:30pm in Hendle Hall. Alpha will run for 11 weeks, all on Wednesday evenings. You do not need to commit to attending all 11 sessions, and there is no cost to attend. We only ask that you register beforehand so that we can prepare the dinners. You can register by emailing parishioner Pam Barnes at pam_barnes1516@yahoo.com. We hope you can join us, and please extend the invitation to others!

Holy Virgin Martyrs, pray for us. May God bless you.

Fr. Rob



MASSES For The Week

Sunday—September 17th

9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Franklin & Helen Losacco, req. Fran Losacco
 Roger Alva, req. Family
 Virgilio Mayol, req. Family
 Eleno Mayol Sr. & Calexta Mayol, req. Family
 George Bair & Katherine Bair,
 req. Louis—Charles Family
 Mary Anne Mayol Garcia, req. Louis—Charles Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Wilbert & Betty Saathoff, req. Family
 The Bejarano Family, req. The Losacco Family
 Albert & Helen Parcerro, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky & Family
 Ray & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
 Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 Frank Kurash, req. Chraca Family
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Giuseppe Castronova, req. Puccio Family

Monday—September 18th

8:30—Intentions of the Urabniak Family, req. Family

Tuesday—September 19th

8:30—Joe Cunningham, req. Family
 James Cunningham, req. Family

Wednesday—September 20th

8:30—Joseph & Mary Traxler, req. Family
 The Brown Family, req. Family

Thursday—September 21st

8:30am—Poor Souls In Purgatory, req. Heidorn Family
 Antie E. Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family
 Ray Phipps, req. Rose & Jim Ridgeway

Saturday—September 23rd

4:30—Lorraine Trzaska, req. Family
 Evelyn Majca, req. Family
 Chuck Kohut, req. J. Kohut
 Joseph Ferrara, req. Family
 Wally Webster, req. Judy Webster

Sunday—September 24th

9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Franklin & Helen Losacco, req. Fran Losacco
 Roger Alva, req. Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Lester Fippinger, req. Connie Fippinger
 Patricia Bomabacino, req. Dennis & Nancy Myszka
 Albert & Helen Parcerro, req. Family
 Ray & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
 Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 James V. DelGiudice, req. The Chraca Family
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Sophia Jayko, req. Family
 Joseph Davoli, req. Nancy Davoli
 Stanley & Bridget Landow, req. Nancy Davoli

September 23rd & 24th	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob
Lector	Cheryl McLean	Roy McCampbell	Family Mass
Communion Ministers	C. Schreiner S. Schreiner J. Traxler	D. Kasper L. Louis—Charles G. Zech	B. Kirchen Z. Kirchen J. Losurdo
Altar Servers	M. Widuch C. Widuch	S. Cervantes	L. Trischan E. Trischan S. Hohmeier



Religious Education News

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, September 23rd

Religious Ed. Class—9:00-11:30am

Sunday, September 24th

First Family Mass—11:30am

The religious ed. staff will be Reading and brining up the gifts
We will have the blessing of the religious ed. staff at this Mass

Tuesday, September 26th

Religious Ed. Class—6:00—8:00pm

Saturday, October 7th

Religious Ed. Class—9:00—11:30am

Tuesday, October 10th

Religious Ed. Class—6:00—8:00pm

Wednesday, October 11th

Confirmation Parent Meeting 7:00pm

Saturday, October 14th

1st Special Sacraments Class
9:00—11:00am



What We're Learning

Kindergarten (Saturday)

We learned about Creation. We learned that God created the earth in 6 days. We learned that God made us special!



1st Grade (Saturdays)

We learned that God created everything. We also learned that God wants us to love everyone. We learned about Original Sin. We also celebrated Mary's Birthday!



Hypod Winner

September 11, 2023

\$100 Winner—Bryan Ross

Tickets are still available in the pamphlet rack in the back of church or from the Rectory during the week!



Parish Support

Week of September 2nd & 3rd

Weekly	\$4,463.80
Maintenance	\$83.00
Fuel & Heat	\$853.97
Assumption	\$20.00
Seminary	\$23.00
Summer Mission Appeal	\$1,151.00

MANY THANKS!

Second Collections:

The second collection on September 24th is for Parish Maintenance
Please be as generous as you can.



Music Notes

Today we sing Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive, keeping in mind the words of the First Reading, "forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven".

Pray For:

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Those Who Are Sick:

Betty Bajzek, Char Banyai, Laura Biagini, Terrie Boie, Sonia Bonacci, Frank Bosco, Pat Brandolino, Gus Campeotto, Benedetta Cortese, Bernie Cwan, Phyllis DiBenedetto, Joseph & Beatrice Giannone, Dora Gibellina, Rose & Pat Glasso, Judy Golab, Karla Gosinski, Ruth Gosinski, Howard & Carol Heidorn, Mary Hinterlong, Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz, Michael & Vivian Jennings, David Johnson, Brian Kelly, Joyce Knauss, Leonard Kuffer, Marguerite Kramer, Ted & Joan Lester, Reina Lopez, Vicky Majewski (nee Julitz), Ann Macey, Carole McCreery, Bryan McIntyre, David Medo, Peter Meyer, Barbara Miller, Pat Morgan, Lois Neilsen, Julie Parkinson, Charlotte Penczek, Nancy Piatek, Deacon Ron Pilarski, Leroy Plier, Joseph Powyszynski, Barbara Rodgers, Kathy Sassolino, Cathy & Steve Schreiner, Kim Schulz-Malkowski, Sue Schuyler, Susan Siekierski, Joe Stendebach, Pat Sullivan, Sarah Tripoli, Joan & Bill Weichbrodt, Jean Wesolowski, Nancy Wright

Those in the Military

Sergeant Michael Bavone,
Private Christopher Bavone,
US Army Staff Sergeant
John J. Schreiner,
U.S.A.F. Sergeant Michael Keaty,
HN Nathan Wrobbel US Navy,
U.S.M.C. Gunnery Sergeant Osvaldo Rodriguez,
U.S.M.C. Kyle E. Ruth,
Omar Vee, Jr.,
First Lieutenant Justin Hunt,
US Army Michael Gutierrez.



Receive The Blessed Sacrament of Holy Communion

HVM Ministers of Care can bring Holy Communion to our parishioners who are Homebound or Sick. If you or someone you know would like to receive Holy Communion, or would like to know more about this rewarding ministry, then please contact Nancy Ryan (parish nurse) either by leaving a message at the rectory or email at: anne.ryan@ascension.org.

JOIN THE MUSIC MINISTRY

Singers and Instrumentalists of All Ages

Now is a great time to join the Adult Choir which resumes this fall and help continue to build the Music Ministry at Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish. We welcome and encourage you to consider:

Adult Choir

Sings at the Sunday 9:30 am Mass, and Holidays or Special Masses throughout the church year (Sept.-May) rehearses at 7:00 pm generally on Wednesday's and at 9:00 am on Sundays. Sign-up sheets will be available on the piano after all masses for 2 weeks. Any questions? Contact me or see me after any mass. Rich Gersten, atenorsart@sbcglobal.net

"He who sings prays twice" -St Augustine

Guitar Group

Plays once a month at the 11:30 am Family Mass and some special Masses throughout the year. Generally rehearses once a month.

Hope to see you,

Please stop by and say hello after any mass on September 9th-10th or 16th-17th, there will be sign-up sheets available on the piano. Or for more information please contact Richard Gersten, Music Director atenorsart@sbcglobal.net

Join Us For Alpha

You are invited to join us for Season 1 of Alpha!

Alpha is a series of group conversations that explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open non-judgmental environment. Everyone is welcome at Alpha, no matter your background or beliefs. During Alpha you will:

- Connect with people
- Share a meal
- Watch an episode on a question of faith
- Share your thoughts and hear from others

Season 1 of Alpha will begin on Wednesday, September 20th at 6:30pm in Hendle Hall.

If you're curious about Alpha we invite you to explore and come to Session 1. You can register to attend Alpha by emailing Pam Barnes pam_barnes1516@yahoo.com



FR. ROB'S 96.5 MILES OF INSANITY



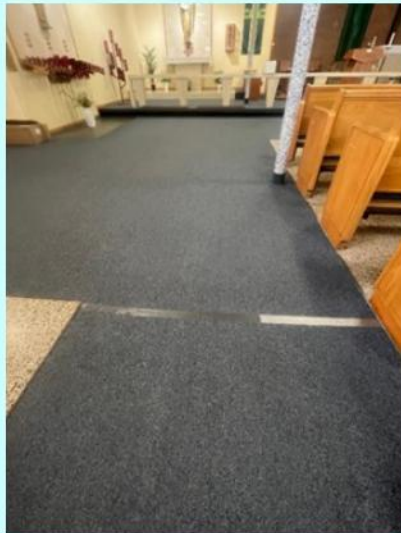
1.2-MILE SWIM

At the age of 50, Fr. Rob is attempting his most insane racing feat yet! He will attempt two long-distance races within one week's time.

On Sep. 30th, he will swim 1.2 miles, bike 56 miles, and run 13.1 miles in the Ironman 70.3 triathlon in Muncie, IN. Then on Oct. 8th, he will run 26.2 miles in the Chicago Marathon – for a total of 96.5 miles in one week!



56-MILE BIKE



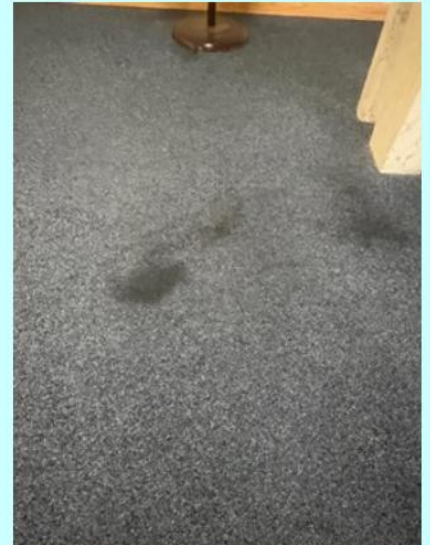
He is doing this as a fundraiser for Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish, to buy and install new carpeting for the church.

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Donations can be placed in the collection basket at any weekend Mass, or mailed to:
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13.1-MILE RUN



26.2-MILE RUN

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