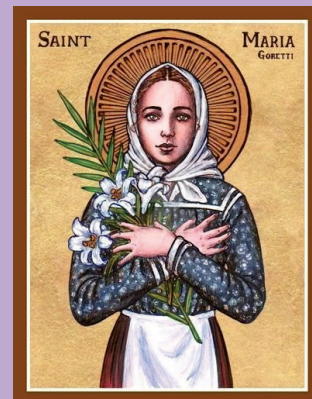




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

December 24, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Advent



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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

This Fourth Sunday of Advent is the final day of a shortened Advent season, and that is because Christmas falls on a Monday this year. So, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior, I would like to wish all of you and your loved ones a Blessed Christmas season. And because I hope that you can join us for the celebration of the Mass, here is one more reminder of how the schedule will look this year.

There are two separate Mass obligations this weekend: attending a Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass, and attending a Christmas Mass. Now, this is always the case every year, but this year it seems a little “crowded” because Christmas Day falls right after a weekend.

For the Fourth Sunday of Advent, we will have our normal weekend Mass schedule: 4:30pm on Dec. 23rd, and 9:30am & 11:30am on Dec. 24th.

For Christmas, we will have two Christmas Eve Masses on Dec. 24th: 4:00pm and Midnight. On Christmas Day, Dec. 25th, we will have two Masses: 9:30am & 11:30am.

So, again, there will be four Masses this Sunday, Dec. 24th, but the two morning ones will be for the Fourth Sunday of Advent, and the afternoon and evening Masses will be for Christmas. Again, the obligation for Catholics is to attend one Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent (on either Dec. 23 or 24), and one Mass for Christmas (on either Dec. 24 or Dec. 25). Attending only one Mass on Sunday, Dec. 24th does not fulfill both Mass obligations.

Looking ahead to next weekend, we continue our celebration of the Christmas season with the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on Jan. 1st. This is a day when we honor Mary’s motherhood (and what a fitting way to begin a new calendar year, as Mary is the Mother of all the living). Jan. 1st is normally a Holy Day of Obligation. However, because it falls on a Monday (i.e., right next to a weekend), it is not a day of obligation for this coming year. Therefore, because there is no obligation, there will be no evening Mass on Dec. 31st, and we will have only one Mass at 8:30am on Jan. 1st to celebrate this Solemnity.

And as we approach the start of 2024, don’t forget that our 2024 HYPOD raffle tickets are now available. HYPOD tickets are \$10 each. You can purchase them at the rectory, and they are also available in the pamphlet rack at the back of church (they are green tickets). And while HYPOD tickets can be purchased anytime throughout the year, the best time to get them is right now! That is because every ticket that you buy is valid for every weekly drawing of the year (because even if your ticket wins, it goes back into the pot for the next drawing). The weekly prize is either \$100 or \$500. It is possible to win more than once with one ticket. The first drawings for 2024 will begin in January, so any 2024 ticket that you buy before then will be valid for all 52 drawings of the year.

Finally, I would like to mention that, thanks to another extraordinary and extremely generous gift from a parishioner, we reached our goal of raising \$40,000 for new carpeting in church! I am very grateful to everyone who donated to our fundraiser. As a reminder, we will be waiting until the snow and slush of winter passes us by before we install the carpeting.

Have a Merry Christmas season and a Blessed New Year!

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

Fr. Rob



Masses For The Week

Sunday—December 24th

- 9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
Roger Alva, req. Family
Roger—Louis Charles, req. Family
Thomas Griffin, req. Family
Rodgers & Myszka Families, req. Dennis & Nancy Myszka
Ray & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky
Joan Handler, req. Caitlin & Taylor Anderson
Bernie & Joanne Fuectmann, req. Family
- 11:30— Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
- 4:00—Joseph Davoli, req. Nancy Davoli
Anthony & Patricia Davoli, req. Nancy Davoli
Robert & Jean Golinski, req. Nancy Davoli
Zachary Perry, req. Nancy Davoli
Sam & Carmela Barzano, req. Linda & Glenn Rawski
Richard & Millie Rawski, req. Linda & Glenn Rawski
Angeline Brauer & Caroline Paoletti, req. Linda & Glenn Rawski
Geri Becker, req. Linda & Glenn Rawski
Carol Luka, req. Tom Luka
Deanna Luka, req. Tom Luka
Jackie Vieceli, req. Family
Angelo & Janet Luciano, req. Family
Leroy & Edith Schultz, req. Family
Vicki Hansen, req. Family
- Midnight—Eugene & Elizabeth Gersten, req. Rich Gersten
Bill & Elaine Cyplick, req. Debbie Cyplick
Kevin Cyplick, req. Debbie Cyplick
Sam, Mary, and Michael Ferrille, req. Zerlina Kirchen
Paul Kirchen, req. Zerlina Kirchen
Al, Stanley & Mary Jedziniak, req. Zerlina Kirchen
Jack McGrath, req. Zerlina Kirchen
Bronislawa Adamczyk, req. Daughter
Zbigniew Markiewicz, req. Family
Salvatore Segreti, req. Family
Giuseppe & Giuseppina Segreti, req. Family
Joseph & Theresa Lopes, req. Family
Segreti & Lento Families, req. Family
Lopes & Fratto Families, req. Family

Monday—December 25th

- 9:30—James Florio Family, req. Family
Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
Franklin & Helen Losacco, req. Family
Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
Frank & Nellie Arnone, req. Albert & Cynthia Gaultier

Monday—December 25th

- 9:30—Vito and Catherine Solare, req. Albert & Cynthia Gaultier
Ray & Evelyn Solare, req. Albert Cynthia Gaultier
Frank & Madeline Pavone, req. Albert & Cynthia Gaultier
Albert & Ann Gaultier, req. Albert & Cynthia Gaultier
James & Lorraine Lowry, req. Albert & Cynthia Gaultier
Arlene Slifka, req. Albert & Cynthia Gaultier
Lewis Arnone, req. Albert & Cynthia Gaultier
Maurice J. Iorio, req. Albert & Cynthia Gaultier
Joseph & Grace Castellenti, req. Family
Rich Bacha, req. Family
Lester Fippinger, req. Family
Johnny Rosales, req. Family
Zofia & Joseph Moskal, req. Daughter, Irene
Jim DelGiudice, req. Wife
- 11:30— Raymond & Evelyn Majca, req. Family
Wilbert & Betty Saathoff, req. Family
Chuck Kohut, req. Family

Tuesday—December 26th

- 8:30—Joe Cunningham, req. Family
James Cunningham, req. Family
65th Wedding Anniversary Jim & Rose Ridgeway, req. Family

Wednesday—December 27th

- 8:30—Poor Souls in Purgatory, req. Heidorn Family
Auntie E. Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family
Joseph & Mary Traxler, req. Family
Joan & Tommy Finn, req. Jim & Rose Ridgeway

Thursday—December 28th

- 8:30—Leroy Plier, req. Ministry of Consolation

Saturday—December 30th

- 4:30—Joseph Ferrara, req. Family
Bronislawa Adamczyk, req. Daughter
Zbigniew Markiewicz, req. Family

Sunday—December 31st

- 9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
Franklin & Helen Losacco, req. Fran Losacco
Victor Schimanski, req. Alice Danhoffer
Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
Blanca Selksy, req. Steve Selsky
Joan Handler, req. Darlene Baumann
Roger Alva, req. Family
Tim Sullivan, req. Louis—Charles Family
Thomas Griffin, req. Family
Ray & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
Alexander Buziuk, req. Family
Baumann & Oliver Families, req. Darlene Bauman
Joseph Stendebach, req. Ministry of Consolation
- 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family

December 30th & 31st	4:00pm	9:30am	11:30am PAGE 4
Presider	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob
Lector	Melanie Hohmeier	Don Kasper	Zerlina Kirchen
Communion Ministers	P. Cychosz K. Weichbrodt P. Winiewski	K. Lima L. Louis—Charles G. Zech	B. Kirchen Z. Kirchen J. Traxler
Altar Servers	C. Widuch M. Widuch	C. Fiore	L. Louis—Charles K. Lima



Baptisms

Through the living waters of Baptism the following were welcomed into the People of God:

Aviana Marie Hendricks, daughter of Maria and Benjamin Hendricks (nee DiPrizio)



4th Sunday of Advent:

Saturday, December 23rd
4:30pm

Sunday, December 24th
9:30am and 11:30am

Christmas Schedule:

Christmas Eve
Sunday, December 24th
4:00pm and Midnight

Christmas Day:
Monday, December 25th
9:30am and 11:30am



CHRISTMAS WAFERS

Christmas Wafers are available in the Bridal/Reconciliation Room in the back of church. Christmas Wafers are \$2.00 per package.



Music Notes

*Follow the Shining Star,
for Today is Born,
Christ the Lord!*



Please join us for our annual Christmas Eve carol sing-along at 11:30pm on December 24th.



Religious Education News

Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen

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Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 7th

Family Mass—11:30am
The Grade will be reading
and bringing up the gifts.

Tuesday, January 9th

Religious Ed. Class—6:00-8:00pm

Saturday, January 13th

Religious Ed. Class—9:00-11:30am

Saturday, January 20th

Special Sacraments Class—9-11am

Tuesday, January 23rd

Religious Ed. Class—6:00-8:00pm
Confirmation Biography Sheet Due

Saturday, January 27th

Religious Ed. Class—9:00-11:30am
Confirmation Biography Sheet Due

Wednesday, January 31st

First Reconciliation—7:00pm

What We're Learning

6th Grade (Tuesday)

We learned that God Called Abraham and promised great blessings for his obedience. We should model our faith and trust after the faith that Abraham showed. God sometimes uses different events, even tragic ones, to reveal his plan of Salvation. These events may test our faith and trust in God, but we should remain faithful.

O Come Let Us Adore Him!



*For a child is born to us, a son is given us,
Upon his shoulder dominion rests.
They name him Wonder-Counselor,
God – Hero, Father – Forever,
Prince of Peace.
-Isaiah 9:6*

Merry Christmas

Pray For:

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, Brian Kelly, Joyce Knauss, Leonard Kuffer, Marguerite Kramer, 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, Joseph Powyszynski, Barbara Rodgers, Sandy Rogalski, Kathy Sassolino, Cathy & Steve Schreiner, Kim Schulz-Malkowski, Sue Schuyler, Susan Siekierski, Pat Sullivan, Sarah Tripoli, Joan & Bill Weichbrodt, Karen 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.



Hypod Winner

December 18, 2023

\$100 Winner—Marianne D’Amico

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



Week 14

\$20 Winner

F. Rivera—Ticket #1938



Parish Support

Week of December 9th & 10th

Weekly	\$4,035.75
Maintenance	\$170.00
Fuel & Heat	\$32.00
Christmas	\$730.00
Immaculate Conception	\$1,169.25
Religious Retirement	\$998.00
Christmas Flowers	\$245.00
All Saints	\$20.00
All Souls	\$10.00

MANY THANKS!

Second Collections:

The second collection on December 31st is for Solemnity of Mary.

Please be as generous as you can.

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.



Christmas 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, we also celebrate the birth of our hope. When he came among us as one like us in all things but sin, he lifted us up to new and transformed life. In fact, he opened for us the way to share in the very life of God. One of the prayers of the Mass gives us these words: "...may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity."

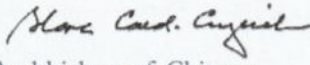
The struggles that we face in our personal lives and in our wounded world do not have the last word. We are meant for more. We are meant for full and eternal life. I pray that our celebration of the Lord's birth will remind us of the glory that will carry us beyond the challenges, sometimes truly significant challenges that mark our lives and our world.

We must also remember that the Lord did not just come among us once and long ago. He continues to walk with us as we walk with each other. Our celebrations of the Eucharist remind of that. And he will never abandon his people. He is now and always Emmanuel, our God with us. Our journey is his journey. And this year, having celebrated the first of two synods of the Church, we are especially aware that he accompanies us as we accompany one another.

In this holy season, I invite you to pray. Take time, create a quiet space, look on the creche, read the gospels, and allow yourself to know that he is near and that he walks with you. If you do so, I can assure you that you will know his peace. Then, take what you learn from him to your family, to your workplace, to your community, and to entire world. The gift of Jesus, the Incarnate Word of God, is not something we can hold for ourselves. We are called and destined to share it with others.

As I celebrate the Eucharist, I will remember you and pray that you will have a living sense of the Lord among us, the one who walks with us and draws us forward into the fullness of his life.


Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago

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