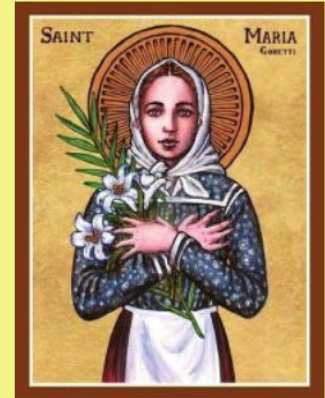




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

April 21, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Easter



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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.

As we are still celebrating the Easter season (we're not quite halfway through the season yet), I want to begin by thanking everyone who so generously contributed to our parish's Easter collection. We budgeted \$18,000 for Easter, and I'm happy to say that we have received over \$22,000 in donations (and some Easter donations continue to trickle in). I am very grateful to everyone who supports our parish. Thank you!

You could say that this week is the "break week" between sacraments. What I mean is that last week we celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation with our 8th Grade Rel. Ed. students, and starting next Saturday, we will celebrate three consecutive First Holy Communion Masses with our 2nd Grade and Special Sacrament Rel. Ed. students (I'll say more about this next week). So, for this article, I would like to mention a liturgical feast that is celebrated later this week.

Thursday, April 25th is the feast day of St. Mark the Evangelist, who is one of the four Gospel writers. We are also currently in the liturgical year of St. Mark, meaning that we mainly listen to his Gospels on weekend during this year (although not right now, as we always listen to John's Gospel during the Easter season). As you might know, the four Gospel writers (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John) are pictured in the stained glass windows along the back wall of our church. Each Evangelist is pictured with a symbol that is associated with him. For Mark, he is symbolized by a lion.

Why a lion? Well, if you took one of the liturgical art calendars that we offer here at the parish every December, then you might have noticed that the artwork for this month of April is of St. Mark. Here is what the calendar's description says about him:

Saint Mark the Evangelist is often portrayed as Giorgio Vasari depicts him here [on the calendar]: writing his Gospel and either accompanied or represented by a winged lion. One of the several reasons St. Mark is related to a lion is the specific emphasis he gives Christ in his Gospel. Just as a lion is traditionally characterized as the "king of the beasts," Christ in the Gospel of Mark is characterized by his majesty and royal dignity as King of the Universe.

Finally, don't forget about our Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet. For a suggested donation of \$10 per name, you can add names to the Bouquet, and these names will be printed in the bulletin on Mother's Day weekend, and they will also be printed on a poster that will be put on display at the front of church for all Masses on Mother's Day weekend.

Please remember that these names will not be read at the Masses (those names that are read are Mass intentions, and you can always request those at the rectory). Please also know that, for the Spiritual Bouquet, you can include names of anyone living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic. To add your loved ones' names to the list, please visit the table at the back of church at the Masses on either this weekend or next. Because we need time to have the poster printed, the last day to add names is April 28th.

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

Fr. Rob



Sunday—April 21st

9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Joseph Stendebach, req. Mary Ellen & Josh Stendebach
 Ann Gualtier, req. Albert & Cynthia Gualtier
 Regina Kasper, req. Don Kasper
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Bob Sirtak, req. Family
 Raymond & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
 Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky
 Pearl Stanke, req. Family
 Louis & Louie Stanke, req. Family
 Zack & Kristina Stanke, req. Family
 Paul & Diane Stanke, req. Family
 Emily & Ethan Budimlija, req. Family
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Virginia Herrera, req. Family

Monday—April 22nd

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

Tuesday—April 23rd

8:30—Ruth & Henry Willmes, req. Mary Ellen Stendebach
 Garry Hickerson, req. Family

Wednesday—April 24th

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

Thursday—April 25th

8:30—Frank Kurash, req. Children
 Elaine (“E”) Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family
 John Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family

Saturday—April 27th

4:30—John Schreiner, Cathy Schreiner
 Wally Webster, req. Judy Webster
 Daniel McGovern, req. McGovern Family
 Joseph Ferrara, req. Family
 Dan & Christine Molloy, req. Tina DeVitto

Sunday—April 28th

9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Raymond & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
 Joseph Stendebach, req. Dennis & Nancy Myszka
 Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky
 Paul Pignatelli, req. Family
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Sean Folan, req. Family

April 27th & 28th	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Lenard	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob
Lector	Cheryl McLean	Lynn Louis—Charles	Zerlina Kirchen
Communion Ministers	C. Widuch M. Widuch C. Wisniewski	J. Traxler G. Zech J. Losurdo	B. Kirchen K. Lima Z. Kirchen
Altar Servers	L. Trischan E. Trischan	S. Cervantes	O. Kucharczyk P. Kitlas G. Kitlas



Religious Education News

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Upcoming Events

Tuesday, April 23rd

Religious Ed. Class—6:00-8:00pm

Thursday, April 25th

First Communion Rehearsal—7:00pm

Saturday, April 27th

First Communion—11:00am

Thursday, May 2nd

First Communion Rehearsal—7:00pm

Saturday, May 4th

First Communion—11:00am

Thursday, May 9th

First Communion Rehearsal—7:00pm

Saturday, May 11th

First Communion—11:00am

Sunday, May 12th

Last Family Mass—11:30

Student Volunteers will be reading and
brining up the gifts

What We're Learning

Kindergarten (Saturdays)

We did a craft project to learn about Easter.

1st Grade (Saturdays)

We talked about how to serve others as Jesus did. The students learned what it means to serve. We read and discussed the Easter story. We learned about making choices and how the choices we make affects others. We also learned about being respectful.

2nd Grade (Saturdays)

We learned how when we go to church the first part of the Mass is called the Liturgy of the Word. There is a reading from the Old Testament, the Psalm is sung, and there is a New Testament reading. The priest reads from the Gospel. During the Mass the priest does a Eucharistic prayer that consecrates the Body and Blood of Christ. We then take Communion.

3rd Grade (Saturdays)

We discussed Pentecost and the Sacraments of Initiation.

5th Grade (Saturdays)

We learned about our call to be missionaries. We learned that even if we don't travel to faraway lands, we are still called to bring the Good News to Jesus to those we encounter in our every day lives. This is called evangelization.

7th Grade (Saturdays)

We learned that the Sacrament of Reconciliation contains 4 important elements: contrition, confession, penance, and absolution. We learned that according to the precepts of the church we must receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a year.

Hypod Winner

April 15, 2024

\$100 Winner—Lina Falco

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

Parish Support

Week of April 6th & 7th

Weekly	\$6047.00
Maintenance	\$73.00
Fuel & Heat	\$1,220.00
Easter Flowers	\$10.00
Easter	\$545.00
Holy Land	\$10.00

MANY THANKS!

Second Collections:

The second collection on April 28th is for Parish Maintenance
Please be as generous as you can.



Music Notes

*You Are the Good Shepherd,
My Lord, My God*

If you would ever like to bring up the gifts during Mass, please let the ushers know before Mass.
Anyone is welcome to be a gift bearer.

Pray For:

Those Who Are Sick:

Betty Bajzek, Char Banyai, Laura Biagini, Terrie Boie, Sonia Bonacci, Frank Bosco, Pat Brandolino, Gus Campeotto, Bernie Cwan, Phyllis DiBenedetto, Efren Favela, Joseph & Beatrice Giannone, Rose & Pat Glasso, Judy Golab, Karla Gosinski, Ruth Gosinski, Basilia Herrera, Howard Heidorn, Mary Hinterlong, Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz, Michael & Vivian Jennings, Brian Kelly, Patti King, Joyce Knauss, Leonard Kuffer, Marguerite Kramer, Joan Lester, Reina Lopez, Vicky Majewski (nee Julitz), Ann Macey, Genevieve Mastalerz, Carole McCreery, Bryan McIntyre, David Medo, Barbara Miller, Pat Morgan, Julie Parkinson, Nancy Piatek, Deacon Ron Pilarski, Joseph Powyszynski, Barbara Rodgers, Kathy Sassolino, Cathy & Steve Schreiner, Kim Schulz-Malkowski, Sue Schuyler, Susan Siekierski, Jacqueline Spejcher, 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
US Army PFC Matthew Gonzales



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.

MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE



Her children rise up and call her blessed
Proverbs 31:28

Memorial envelopes are available in the back of the church at the weekend Masses from April 13th to the 28th. If you want your mother's name to appear in the special MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE in the bulletin, you must return your donation envelope in the regular collection or to the rectory office by Sunday, April 28th (Suggested donation - 10.00 per name.)

Also, Mother's Day cards are available, if you would like to give the spiritual bouquet as a gift. (PLEASE NOTE – THE NAMES WILL NOT BE READ AT THE MASSES BUT WILL BE PUT ON A POSTER IN FRONT OF THE ALTAR ON MOTHER'S DAY.)

BLOOD DRIVE



**Franklin Park
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Monday, April 29
3 p.m. - 7 p.m.
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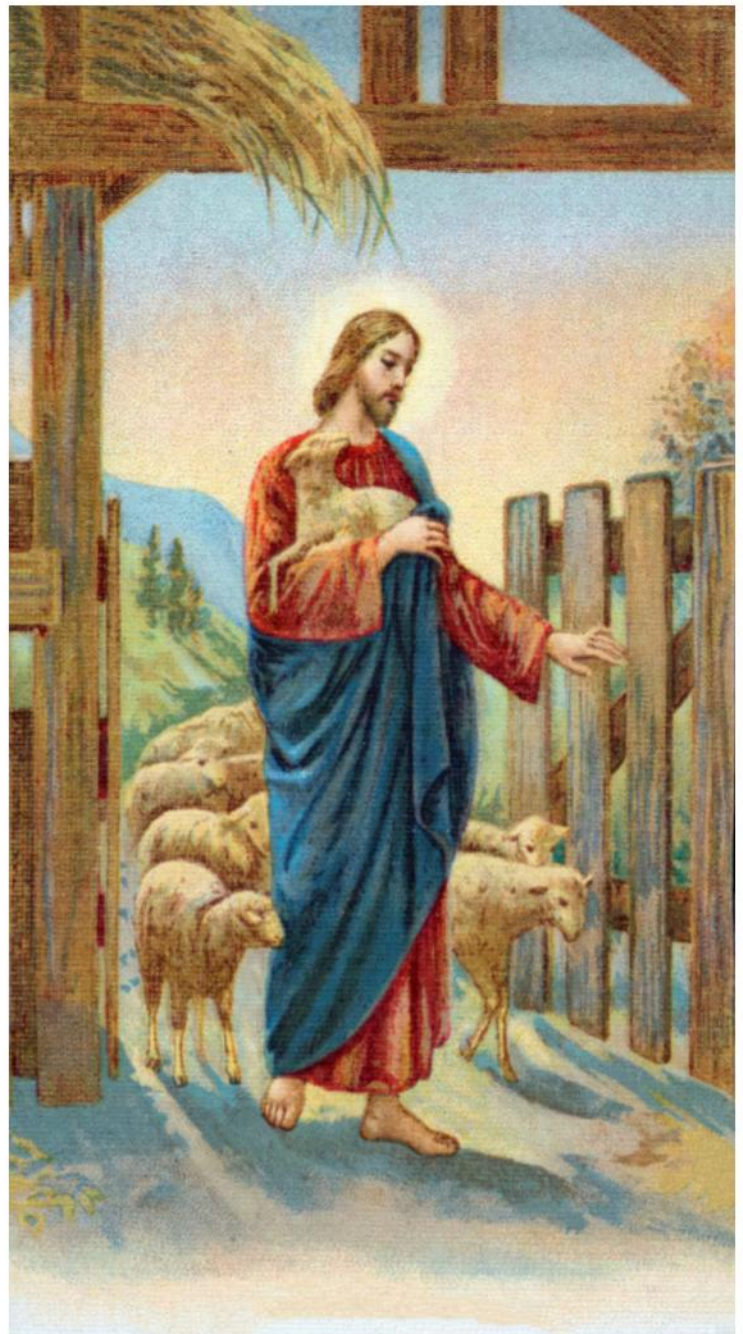
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