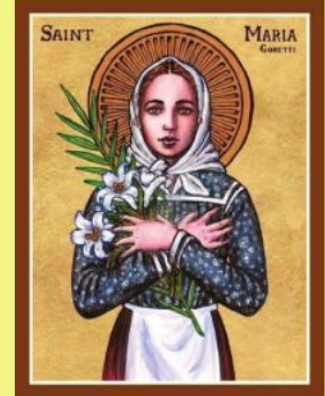




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

April 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter



Rectory:

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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.

This weekend we celebrated our first of three First Holy Communion Masses for our 2nd Grade and Special Sacrament students in our Rel. Ed. program. Our First Communions are on April 27, May 4, & May 11. On each of those weekends we will list the names of our First Communicants in the bulletin – as in this bulletin we list the names of those who made their First Communion this Saturday, April 27th. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers, as the reception of the Eucharist is such an important part of our lives as Catholic Christians. I pray that the gift of Christ's Body and Blood will continue to nourish and strengthen these children throughout their lives. I also want to say congratulations to our First Communicants over these next few weeks!

And speaking of Communion, we will soon be offering **training for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMs)**. I need to point out the difference between EMs and Ministers of Care, so that there is no confusing about what this upcoming training is for. Ministers of Care bring the Eucharist to people in hospitals, nursing homes, and the homebound. EMs – which is what this upcoming training is for – are those who assist the priest in distributing Communion at Mass.

The training, then, is for EMs for our weekend Masses. And while it is always helpful to have more EMs at any Mass, please know that our greatest need for more EMs at our 11:30am Sunday Masses. As an EM, you can certainly choose which Mass times you would like to serve at, but please keep in mind that we especially need more EMs at the 11:30am.

The requirements to be an EM are that you need to be at least 16 years old and have received all three sacraments of initiation – Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. There will be two trainings offered, but you only need to attend one of them. They will take place in church, and the dates are: **Tuesday, May 14th at 7:00pm, and Saturday, May 18th at 1:00pm.**

I am also asking all our current EMs to attend one of these trainings. We have not had a re-training in some time, and it never hurts to have a refresher! Plus, I would like to make sure that all the current EMs will be on the same page as the new EMs in terms of the logistics for this ministry. So, if you are already an EM, please plan to attend one of the trainings.

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 this weekend. Because we need time to have the poster printed, **the last day to add names is this Sunday, April 28th.**

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

Fr. Rob



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
 Paul Pignatelli, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req.

11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Sean Folan, req. Family
 Genevieve Mastalerz, req. Son

Monday—April 29th

8:30—Elaine (“E”) Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family
 John Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family
 Genevieve Mastalerz, req. Son

Tuesday—April 30th

8:30—Mary Cipriano, req. Family
 Genevieve Mastalerz, req. Son

Wednesday—May 1st

8:30—Carol Heidorn, req. Alice Danhoffer
 Genevieve Mastalerz, req. Son

Thursday—May 2nd

8:30—Joe Cunningham, req. Family
 James Cunningham, req. Family
 Genevieve Mastalerz, req. Son

Saturday—May 4th

4:30—Eugene Gersten, req. Rich Gersten
 Rose & Ken Bauman (Anniversary), req. Daughter
 Erin Wahl, req. Cathy Schreiner
 Joseph Ferrara, req. Family
 Casey & Anna Powyszynski, Sr. req. Theresa Powyszynski
 Francine Rafaelli, req. Husband

Sunday—May 5th

9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Richard & Anna Chraca, req. Family
 James Florio Family, req. Family
 Gene Danhoffer, req. Alice Danhoffer
 Reynald Jean Baptiste, req. Louis—Charles Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Margaret Santiago, req. Dennis & Nancy Myszka
 Patricia Bombacino, req. Dennis & Nancy Myszka
 Raymond & Lenna Gennetti, req. Family
 Lorraine Lundberg, req. Carol Horwath
 Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky
 Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family

| May 4th & 5th | 4:30pm | 9:30am | 11:30am |
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| Presider | Fr. Rob | Fr. Rob | Fr. Rob |
| Lector | Joan Golembiewski | Kitch Gorzynski | Zerlina Kirchen |
| Communion Ministers | | | |
| Altar Servers | C. Fiore N. Cychosz | S. LoCascio N. LoCascio G. Davila | L. Louis—Charles J. Mack |



Religious Education News

Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen

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Congratulations First Communicants

*Congratulations to our
2nd grade and Special Sacraments students
who celebrated their First Communion
on Saturday, April 27, 2024*

*Ryleigh Arnett
Michael Biedziak
Giselle Gutierrez
Isaac Krieter
Luis Martinez
Saydee Perez
Victor Picasso
Omar Rodriguez
Sebastian Samayoa
Austin Smiley, Jr.
Gianna Wiora*

*This is My Body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of Me.*



Pray For:

Hypod Winner
April 22, 2024
\$100 Winner—Marlene Bacha
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 13th & 14th

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| Weekly | \$3,432.00 |
| Maintenance | \$20.00 |
| Fuel & Heat | \$27.00 |

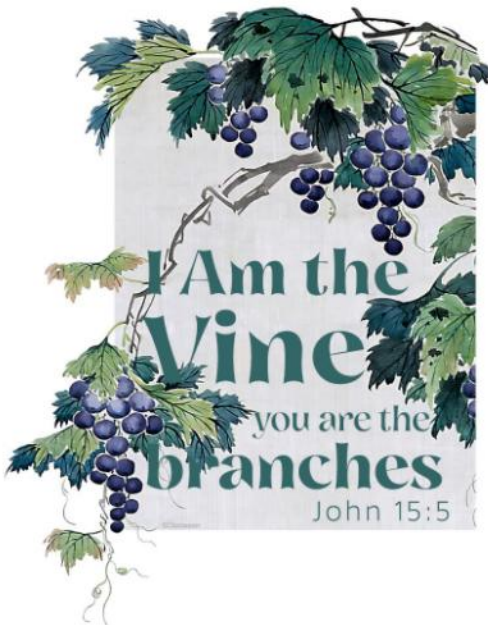

MANY THANKS!

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*

Music Notes

*You Are the True Vine,
 Remain in Me, O Lord*

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



This is the last weekend to turn in your memorial envelope with your Mother's names for our MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE. (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



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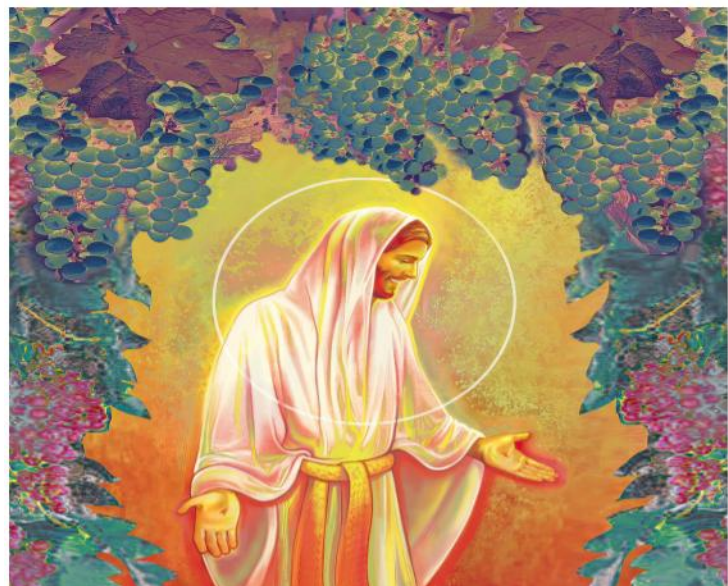
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Women's Club News

The Valentine's Day Fannie May Candy Bar Sale was a big success. We sold more than three cases of candy bars the weekend of the sale, with additional bars sold at the Bunny Bake Sale. Over \$600 was made with this fund raiser.

The Bunny Bake Sale was again a success. A heartfelt thanks to those who donated baked goods, raffle prizes, and their time working before and after all of the masses the weekend of the bake sale. More than \$2,000 was made at the sale.

Thank you also to the parish staff for their assistance with our set-up requests for both of these events.

Of course, neither of these fund raisers would have been successful without the generosity of parishioners. Thank you again for being supportive of our fundraising efforts and know that proceeds from these events go to support the needs of OUR parish.



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April 16, 2024

Reverend Robert W. Schultz
 Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish
 4157 Atlantic Avenue
 Schiller Park, Illinois 60176-1949

Dear Father Schultz,

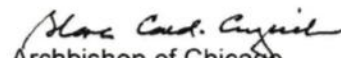
With your valued leadership and the help of your staff, the people of Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish have very generously supported this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. Together, you have raised gifts and pledges exceeding your 2024 Appeal goal of \$23,121.57. Thank you so much and please communicate my gratitude to your staff and parishioners.

This year the theme for the Annual Catholic Appeal has been *Together at the table*. It evokes our synodal journey on the road together, the Eucharistic Revival, and our own diocesan renewal efforts. The parish community of Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish has taken up the challenge to support believers both in the community and beyond it to come together at the table. That is a great blessing. Thanks are due to the Lord who prompts generous hearts, to our people for their willingness to share, and to you for your collaboration.

As you deem appropriate, please let your people of Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish know of my personal gratitude and the gratitude of this entire local Church. Let them also know that the parish will receive the first rebate distribution in October and the final distribution in March of 2025. The support of your parish community enables all of us to bring those in need together to the table.

Finally, Father Schultz, please invite your people to pray for me and for all their sisters and brothers in the Archdiocese of Chicago as well for the Church universal and our Holy Father, Pope Francis. May the good Lord draw us all together to himself at his heavenly table.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


 Archbishop of Chicago

Cc: Business Manager

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