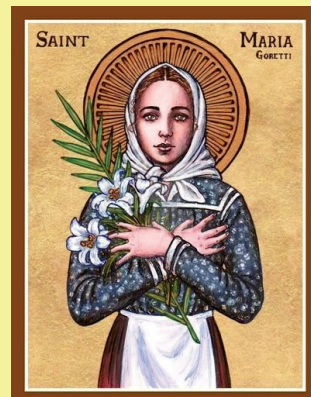




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

April 16, 2023
Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)



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Zerlina Kirchen, Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation
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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

Happy Easter season! Even though Easter Sunday was last weekend, our celebration of Christ's resurrection certainly continues. Today, on this 2nd Sunday of Easter, we conclude the Octave of Easter. Because Easter and Christmas are the two most significant mysteries in Christianity, we do not only celebrate them on one day. Easter Day and Christmas Day are celebrated as Octaves, i.e., they are celebrated over 8 consecutive days. And even though we conclude the Easter Octave today, we continue to celebrate the 50-day Easter season until the Solemnity of Pentecost on May 28th. So, not only will our church remain decorated for Easter for these 50 days, but at weekend Masses throughout this season, the Sprinkling Rite can take the place of the normal Penitential Rite (because during the Easter season we focus on how we are offered a share in Christ's resurrection through our baptism).

And today, on this 2nd Sunday of Easter, we also celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, which was added to the liturgical calendar by Pope St. John Paul II in the year 2000, the same year that he canonized Sr. Faustina Kowalska. The feast of Divine Mercy is based on the revelations of Christ to Sr. Faustina about the power of God's mercy. The Divine Mercy image is well-known and well-loved, and many Catholic parishes (including ours) have it on display in their churches. Normally our Divine Mercy image hangs above our tabernacle, but on this weekend we move it to the front of the sanctuary to draw our attention to it. The image reminds us that Jesus came to call sinners, and that God's mercy and love reaches out to every person on earth.

Now that we are past Holy Week and Easter Sunday, I need to offer some belated thank-you's to several people. There was a lot for me to squeeze into my bulletin articles for the past two weeks, so on this weekend I want to make sure to offer these words of gratitude. First, I would like to again thank our generous parishioner who anonymously constructed and donated our new ambry (to store our three holy oils) in church. I spoke about the ambry at Mass, but I had not yet mentioned it in my articles.

Thank you to parishioner Melanie Hohmeier for making and donating the red cloths that were used to cover the vigil candles in church on Good Friday and Holy Saturday. No candles can be lit in church from Good Friday until the Easter Vigil, so we always cover our vigil candles. This year Melanie provided us with custom-fit red cloths to cover the candles, and it certainly added to the aesthetics for Good Friday.

Thank you to our Liturgy Committee and other volunteers for doing such a wonderful job in decorating the church for Holy Thursday and the Easter season. They are very dedicated, and I always appreciate their hard work and their design skills!

Thank you to our HVM Women's Club and all those who baked and volunteered to put together yet another successful Bake Sale two weeks ago. I appreciate the donation of their time, talent, and treasure to help our parish.

Thank you to our Music Director Rich Gersten, and to our choir, cantors, and musicians for sharing their time and talent in providing the beautiful music for Holy Week and Easter.

Thank you also to anyone who helped in any way, big or small, to make our Holy Week, Triduum, and Easter liturgies beautiful!

Finally, please mark your calendars: our new HVM Spring Dinner & Raffle will take place on Saturday, May 20th in our new Hendle Hall. There is an ad with more details about this in this week's bulletin, as well as on our website. The raffle will offer several cash prizes, with the top prize being \$4,000. And while everyone is welcome to attend the dinner, you do not need to be present at the dinner to win. Ticket sales will begin at Masses next weekend, April 22-23.

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

Fr. Rob



Masses For The Week

Sunday—April 16th

9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Franklin & Helen Losacco, req. Fran Losacco
 Roger Alva, req. Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Raymond & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
 Regina Kasper, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Family
 Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
 Albert Parcerro, req. Albert Parcerro
 Bartolomeo Cumella, req. Family
 Carolina Cumella, req. Family
 Domenico Missanelli, req. Wife
 Henry Ching, req. Conchita Ching
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Rocha Family, req. Richard Rocha
 Lynn Shoenrock, req. A Friend
 Norah Torres Ayala, req. Daughters
 Virginia Herrera, req. Family

Monday—April 17th

8:30—George E. Thomas, req. Ministry of Consolation

Tuesday—April 18th

8:30—Elaine (Auntie E.) Heidorn, req. Floyd & Bev Ihm
 Angela DeFranco, req. Sue Hilger

Wednesday—April 19th

8:30—Poor Souls in Purgatory, req. Heidorn Family
 Auntie E. Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family
 Nell Piotrowski, req. Robert & Christine Maszka

Thursday—April 20th

8:30am—Joe Cunningham, req. Family
 James Cunningham, req. Family
 Susan Pierscioneck, req. Ernie & Dorothy Brown

Saturday—April 22nd

4:30—Bill Bonacci, req. Helene Bonacci
 Bob Sirtak, req. Donna Sirtak
 Wally Webster, req. Judy Webster
 Special Intentions Caracci Family, req. Judy Webster
 Joseph Ferrara, req. Family

Sunday—April 23rd

9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Franklin & Helen Losacco, req. Fran Losacco
 Roger Alva, req. Family
 Ann Gualtier, req. Albert & Cynthia Gualtier
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Raymond & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
 Regina Kasper, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky & Family
 Ruth & Henry Willmes, req. Joe & Mary Stendebach
 Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
 Bernie & Joanne Fuechtmann, req. Family
 Albert Parcerro, req. Albert Parcerro
 Henry Ching, req. Conchita Ching
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Lynn Shoenrock, req. A Friend

April 22nd & 23rd	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob
Lector	Lynn Louis—Charles	Don Kasper	Zerlina Kirchen
Communion Ministers	N. Davoli C. McLean K. Weichbrodt	K. Lima J. Traxler M. Morgan	Z. Kirchen J. Losurdo L. Youakim
Altar Servers	E. Trischan L. Trischan S. Hohmeier	D. Kasper	A. Herrera E. Gutierrez



Religious Education News

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 22nd

9:00—11:00am—Last Special Sacraments Class

7:00pm—Confirmation Rehearsal

Monday, April 24th

7:00pm—Confirmation

Tuesday, April 25th

6:00—8:00pm—Religious Education Class

LAST TUESDAY CLASS!

Thursday, May 4th

7:00pm—First Communion Rehearsal

Saturday, May 6th

11:00am—First Communion

Thursday, May 11th

7:00pm—First Communion Rehearsal

Saturday, May 13th

11:00am—First Communion

Sunday, May 14th

11:30am—Last Family Mass

We will have the May Crowning Procession with the First Communicants at this Mass.

Student volunteers will be reading and bringing up the gifts

What We're Learning

1st Grade (Saturdays)

We learned about the seven Sacraments. We especially spent time talking about the Sacrament of Baptism and the role of Godparents.

2nd Grade (Saturdays)

We learned about sharing God's word. We learned how we can spread the Gospel and Jesus's word to others. We also learned how to pray.

3rd Grade (Saturdays)

We discussed the Triduum and why we celebrate lent and what is expected of us. We discussed Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil. We discussed how Jesus died on the cross to save us from our sins. We focused on reflection and why Lent is important for us to be better.

4th Grade (Saturdays)

We discussed the different liturgies of the Triduum and some of the special things that take place in those Masses like the washing of the feet, the presentation of oils, the procession with the Eucharist, the reading of the Passion Gospel, the veneration of the Cross, the renewal of Baptismal Promises, and the RCIA candidates being fully initiated through the sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation.

6th Grade (Saturdays)

We learned that the Gospels are called the Good News of Jesus because they proclaim his life and teaching. Through his teaching, healing, miracles, and sacrifice he shared the good news of salvation.

7th Grade (Saturdays)

We learned that God takes care of us and gives us grace to help us live according to his will. We learned that the 5th Commandment says that all human life is sacred and how abortion and euthanasia are sins against the 5th Commandment. We also learned about scandal.

Hypod Winner

April 10, 2023

\$100 Winner—Thomas Luka

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

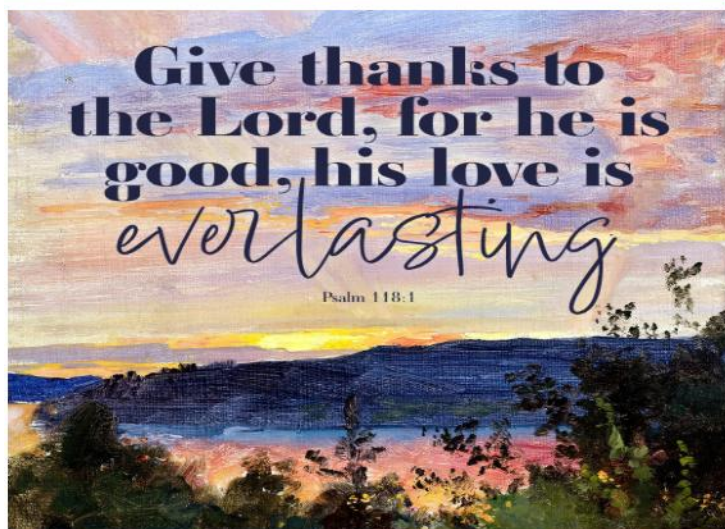


Parish Support

Week of April 1st & 2nd

Weekly	\$7,130.76
Maintenance	\$173.00
Fuel & Heat	\$2,246.08
Easter Flowers	\$1,127.00
Easter	\$300.00
Holy Land	\$1.00
Eastern Europe	\$10.00
March PayPal	\$1,322.84

MANY THANKS!



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

Pray For:

Those Who Are Sick:

Betty Bajzek, Char Banyai, Terrie Boie, Sonia Bonacci, Frank Bosco, Pat Brandolino, Gus Campeotto, Bernie Cwan, Phyllis DiBenedetto, Joseph & Beatrice Giannone, Dora Gibellina, Rose & Pat Glasso, Baby Glasgow, Judy Golab, Howard & Carol Heidorn, Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz, Jerry Hoss, Michael & Vivian Jennings, Brian Kelly, 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, Peter Morgan, Lois Neilsen, Julie Parkinson, Nancy Paitek, Deacon Ron Pilarski, Leroy Plier, Joseph Powyszynski, Barbara Rodgers, Kathy Sassolino, Cathy & Steve Schreiner, Susan Siekierski, Joe Stendebach, Sarah Tripoli, Rev. Michael Valenti, 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,



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

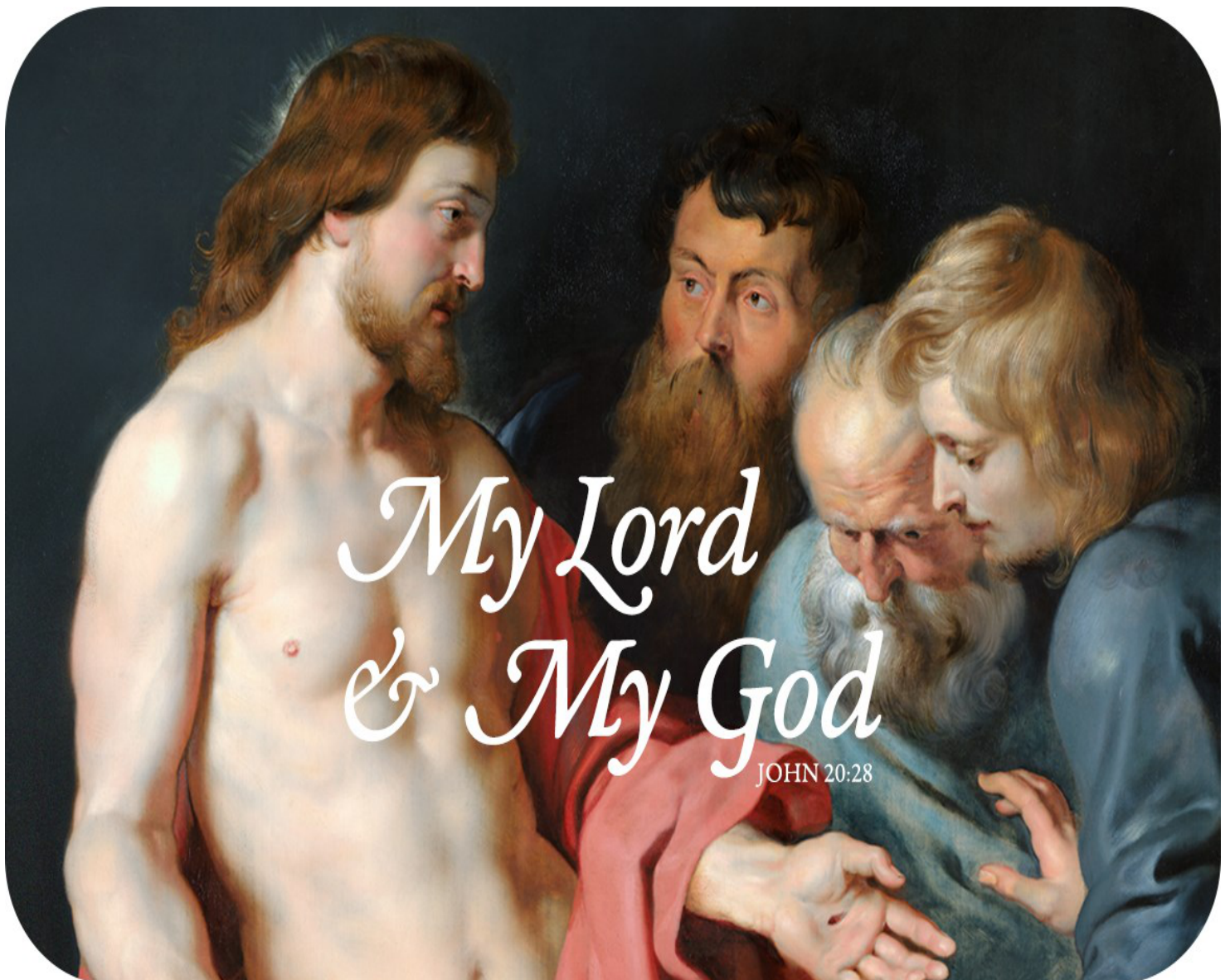



Her children rise up and
call her blessed

Proverbs 31:28

Memorial envelopes are available in the rear of the church. 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 **MONDAY, MAY 1ST**. (Suggested donation - 10.00 per mass.)

Also, gift cards are available, if you would like to give the spiritual bouquet as a gift. Call Cathy Schreiner at 224-531-7949 if you would like more information. (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.)





INTRODUCING

HVM Spring Dinner and Raffle

On Saturday, May 20th HVM Parish will be hosting
our first Spring Dinner and Raffle in Hendle Hall.
Doors open at 5:30pm and dinner will begin at 6:30pm.
The raffle will be drawn at 8:00pm at the dinner.

Winner need not be present to win,
and the drawing will be livestreamed
on our parish website hvmparish.org.

Each Dinner and Raffle ticket purchased at \$75
entitles one person to attend the dinner and
gives you one chance for our drawing.

Each raffle ticket purchased at \$50
entitles you to one chance for our drawing.

PRIZES:

GRAND PRIZE	\$4,000
2ND PRIZE	\$2,000
3RD PRIZE	\$500
4TH PRIZE	\$300
5TH PRIZE	\$200

*Per IRS regulations the winner of any cash prize over \$600
is required to fill out a Form 1099.*

Tickets can be purchased in the back of church
beginning the weekend of April 22nd & 23rd
or at the rectory by calling 847-678-0138.

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