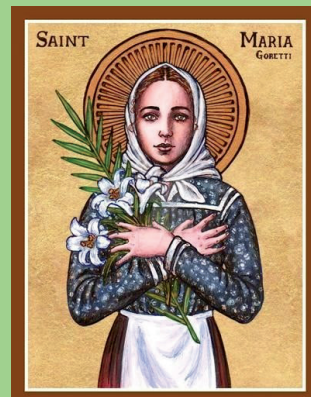




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

January 21, 2024
The Third 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 mentioned in my article last week, Jan. 18-25 is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. I had said that it is important for us to pray for unity as, sadly, the Christian faith in our nation today is divided among many denominations.

But another thing that divides so many people in our nation – whether they be Christian or non-Christian, believers or atheists – is the subject of abortion. I mention this because this Monday, Jan. 22nd is the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Jan. 22nd was chosen as the date for this Day of Prayer because it is the anniversary day of the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court decision. *Roe*, along with the 1973 case *Doe v Bolton*, legalized abortion through all nine months of pregnancy.

Now, you might ask why there is still a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, given the 2022 Supreme Court decision of *Dobbs v. Jackson*? The thing to remember is that, while *Dobbs* did overturn *Roe*, it did not outlaw abortion. Rather, it returned that power to each of the 50 states to decide for themselves. This is why, in some states today (including here in Illinois), abortion continues to be legal through all nine months of pregnancy. And this is why the U.S. Bishop are still asking us to pray for the legal protection of unborn children.

I've participated in the pro-life movement for many years, even since before I was ordained a priest. And I've done that because I'm convinced that, when it comes to the question of whether human life has dignity at the very beginning, we cannot get that wrong – because if we get that wrong, we will get so many other things wrong. If our society does not see human life as having value and being worthy of protection from the first moment that a new life comes into existence, then there is nothing to stop us from chipping away at the dignity of human life in its later stages. If the unborn are classified as less than human based on their size, their dependency, etc., then what is to stop us from classifying other people as less than human based on other characteristics – race, age, appearance, lack of mental or physical abilities, etc.? Let us continue, then, to pray this week for unity among Christians, and for the legal protection of unborn children.

Finally, I'm happy to report that, thanks as always to the generosity of parishioners and friends of HVM Parish, our 2023 Christmas collection succeeded our budget. We continue to receive donations in the weeks following Christmas, but as of two weeks ago, our 2023 Christmas collection had surpassed \$28,000, and we had budgeted \$25,000. This also exceeds our 2022 Christmas collection of \$23,481. Thank you for your generosity!

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

Fr. Rob



Masses For The Week

Sunday—January 21st

9:30—Elizabeth Gersten, req. Rich Gersten
 Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky
 Jerry Hoss, req. Chrusciel Family
 Joseph Stendebach, req. Louis—Charles Family
 Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
 Napodano Ladies, req. Kusiak Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Mass of Thanksgiving, req. A Friend
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Deceased Members Piotrowski & Pultorak
 Families, req. Robert & Christine Maszka

Monday—January 22nd

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

Tuesday—January 23rd

8:30—Mae Anderson, req. Nancy Ryan
 Garry Hickerson, req. Cathy & Steve Schreiner

Wednesday—January 24th

8:30—John Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family
 Elaine ("E") Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family

Thursday—January 25th

8:30—Parishioners

Saturday—January 27th

4:30—Joseph Ferrara, req. Family
 Ann Gallagher, req. Family
 Ron Piltaver, req. E. Piltaver Family
 Vernon Piltaver, req. E. Piltaver Family
 Vernon Gottschalk, req. E. Piltaver Family

Sunday—January 28th

9:30—Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Family
 Mary Alyward, req. Chrusciel Family
 Joseph Stendebach, req. Family
 Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
 Virgilio Mayol, req. Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle, req. Family
 Brian Carro, req. Schraub Family

January 27th & 28th	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob	Fr. Rob
Lector	Ellen Melnitzke	Lynn Louis—Charles	Moses Diaz
Communion Ministers	P. Cychosz K. Weichbrodt P. Wisniewski	L. Louis—Charles K. Lima G. Zech	B. Kirchen Z. Kirchen J. Traxler
Altar Servers	C. Widuch M. Widuch	T. Cychosz S. Cychosz	O. Kucharczyk P. Kitlas



Religious Education News

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Upcoming Events

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

Saturday, February 3rd

Adult Confirmation Class

9:30-10:30am

Sunday, February 4th

Family Mass—11:30am

The 8th Grade will be reading &

The 2nd Grade will be

bringing up the gifts

We will have the presentation of

1st Communicants at this Mass

Tuesday, February 6th

Religious Ed. Class—6:00-8:00pm

Wednesday, February 7th

First Reconciliation—7:00pm

Saturday, February 10th

Religious Ed. Class—9:00-11:30am

Adult Confirmation Classes

The Holy Virgin Martyrs Religious Education program will be offering Adult Confirmation Classes for those adults who have already received the sacraments of Baptism and Communion, but just need the sacrament of Confirmation. There is a \$100 Sacramental Fee which is due the first class.

The classes will meet on Saturday Mornings from 9:30am – 10:30am.

The schedule of classes is:

Saturday, February 3rd

Saturday, February 17th

Saturday, March 16th

Confirmation Retreat

March 2nd—9:00am-5:30pm

Confirmation Rehearsal

Monday, April 15th at 7:00pm in Church

Confirmation

Tuesday, April 16th at 7:00pm in Church

You must register for the classes **NO LATER** than Saturday, January 14th. For more information or to register please contact Zerlina Kirchen in the Religious Education Office 847-671-6429 or by email: religiousedcoordinator@outlook.com



Week 18
\$20 Winner
Benjamin Hicks—Ticket #1760



Parish Support

Week of January 6th & 7th

Weekly	\$8,362.90
Maintenance	\$78.00
Fuel & Heat	\$78.00
Christmas	\$660
Immaculate Conception	\$20.00
Religious Retirement	\$10.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$421.00
Church in Eastern Europe	\$10.00
Church in Latin America	\$5.00

MANY THANKS!

Second Collections:

The second collection on January 28th
is for Parish Maintenance and
The Church in Latin America.
Please be as generous as you can.



Music Notes

*Teach me your ways, O Lord
to follow your call.*

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,
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, Patti King, 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.



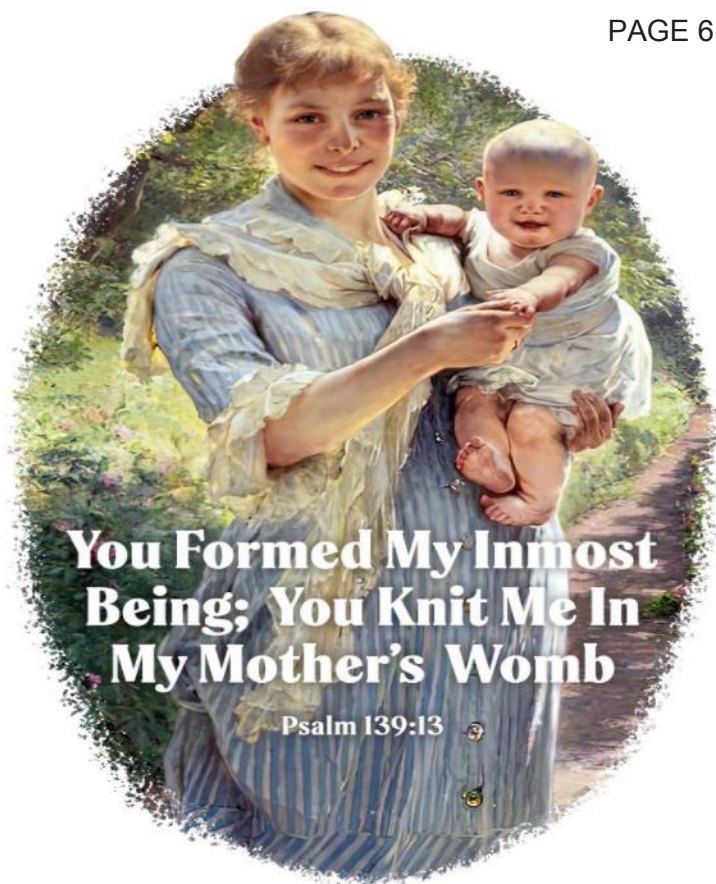
Receive The Blessed Sacrament of Holy Communion

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.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Rest in Peace
"It is a holy and wholesome
thought that we
pray for the dead,"
please remember:
Darren Gregory Murray
in your prayers.

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.



**You Formed My Inmost
 Being; You Knit Me In
 My Mother's Womb**

Psalm 139:13



COME AFTER ME
and I will make you
FISHERS OF MEN

MARK 1:17

Mass Intention Request Form

THE 2024 MASS BOOK IS OPEN!

**FILL OUT THIS FORM WITH YOUR MASS INTENTIONS AND
EITHER DROP IT OFF AT THE RECTORY OR PUT IT IN THE COLLECTION BASKET.
THE MASS STIPEND IS \$10.00 FOR EACH INTENTION.**

**OUR MASS SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:
DAILY MASS-MONDAY—THURSDAY AT 8:30AM
WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:
SATURDAY AT 4:30PM AND SUNDAY AT 9:30AM AND 11:30AM
HOLY DAY SCHEDULE—8:30AM, 12 NOON, AND 7PM**

**IF WE CANNOT SCHEDULE YOUR INTENTIONS AT THE TIME AND DATE
REQUESTED, WE WILL SCHEDULE THEM AS CLOSE TO THOSE TIMES AS POSSIBLE.**

YOUR NAME

PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL

INTENTIONS

DATE AND TIME PREFERRED

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