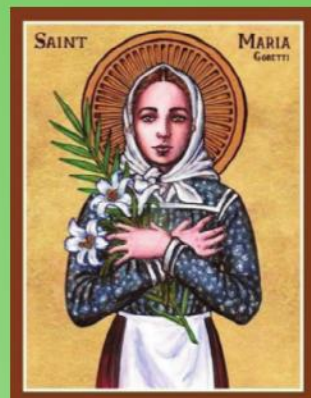




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

**FEBRUARY 16, 2025
6TH 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.

As I mentioned last weekend from the pulpit, this weekend we begin the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). This is the first of three consecutive weekends that I will be promoting the ACA during Mass. Feb. 15-16 is the Announcement Weekend; Feb. 22-23 is the Commitment Weekend (when we offer an in-pew pledge process); and March 1-2 is the Follow-Up Weekend. I ask for your patience as I take time to explain the significance of the ACA for the Chicago Archdiocese, as well as for HVM Parish. Incidentally, you may have noticed that the ACA is starting a little later than usual. This is because the promotion weekends of the ACA are always scheduled for the three weekends leading up to Ash Wednesday, and Ash Wednesday happens to be a little later this year (March 5th).

The theme of this year's ACA is "Together We Bring Hope". This builds off the theme of last year's ACA, which was "Together At The Table." Obviously, the common denominator here is the notion of "together," reminding us that we all share the same mission of building up God's Kingdom on earth. In addition, this year's theme of "Together We Bring Hope" also builds on the theme of the 2025 Jubilee Year that was announced by Pope Francis (which I spoke about last month). The Jubilee Year theme is "Pilgrims of Hope." Obviously, the connection between these two themes is the importance of us living out the cardinal virtue of hope.

On this weekend, I am giving an introduction and overview of this year's ACA, and how it will support not only Archdiocesan ministries, but also our parish. Next weekend, Cardinal Cupich will speak about the ACA in a recorded talk at all our Masses.

I'm happy to say, for many consecutive years now, we have been very successful in the ACA, in that we have always collected funds beyond our goal. For example, our goal for the 2024 ACA was \$23,121. As of Jan. 21, 2025, we have received \$41,767 in pledges, and we've collected \$41,102 – and I must note that it is amazing that we have collected almost 100% of our pledges, because that is not common in any campaign! And because we surpassed our goal, this means that HVM Parish will receive a rebate of over \$18,000 to be used for our needs.

Our goal for this year's ACA is \$23,557, and I'm hopeful that we'll be able to not only reach it, but also surpass it, thanks to your generosity.

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

Fr. Rob



Sunday—February 16th

9:30—Anne D. Frankiewicz, req. Joe & Kristen Bacha
Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
Thomas Griffin, req. Family
Ray Solare, req. Albert & Cynthia Gualtier
Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky
Evelyn Olender, req. Ministry of Consolation
Zofia & Joseph Moskal, req. Irene DelGiudice

11:30—Ada Mae Anderson, req. Family
Bernice Kirchen, req. Zerlina Kirchen
Al Jedziniak, req. Zerlina Kirchen
William "Bill" Bertoni, req. Beverly Pendleton
Jonathan Reyes & Mildred Seva, req. John
Anthony Reyes
Serafin Barillas, Sr, req. Corazon Lee
Consuelo Barillas, req. Corazon Lee
Rogelio Gulaja, req. Corazon Lee
Fe Gulaja, req. Corazon Lee
Caridad Manalo, req. Corazon Lee
Serafin Barillas, Jr., req. Corazon Lee
Donald Lee, req. Corazon Lee
Craig Lee, req. Corazon Lee
Fred Gulaja, req. Corazon Lee
Lourdes Gulaja-Solis, req. Corazon Lee

Monday—February 17th

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

Tuesday—February 18th

8:30—Esther Buziuk, req. Ministry of Consolation

Wednesday—February 19th

8:30—Carol Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family

Thursday—February 20th

8:30—Joseph & Mary Traxler, req. Family
Helen Furtak, req. Joyce Burns

Saturday—February 22nd

4:30—Raymond Majca, req. Family
Beverly Kozubek, req. Family
Chris Bensch, req. Ministry of Consolation
Aiden McGovern, req. McGovern Family
Mary Penhaligen, req. Tony Gallagher & Family
73rd Wedding Anniversary Bill & Joan
Weichbrodt, req. Karen Weichbrodt

Sunday—February 23rd

9:30—Anne D. Frankiewicz, req. Joe & Kristen Bacha
Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
Thomas Griffin, req. Family
Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky
Gene Danhoffer, req. Family
Carmelita Rubio, req. The Louis—Charles Family
Eleno Mayol, Jr. req. Family
Roger Louis—Charles, req. Family
11:30—Ada Mae Anderson, req. Family
Wilbert Saathoff, req. Lima Family
Anthony Goc, req. Family
Josephine Goc, req. Family

February 22nd & 23rd	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Lector	Ellen Melnitzke	Lynn Louis—Charles	Liz Lynch
Communion Ministers	S. Schreiner M. Widuch P. Cychosz	R. Kraft N. Kent M. Morgan	K. Lima A. Caccavari M. Diaz
Altar Servers	L. Trischan E. Trischan	J. Martinez L. Martinez E. Martinez	G. Porras V. Picasso



Religious Education News

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Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen
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Upcoming Events

Tuesday, February 18th

Religious Ed. Class—6:00-8:00pm

Saturday, February 22nd

Religious Ed. Class—9:00-11:30am

Saturday, March 1st

Religious Ed. Class—9:00-11:30am

Sunday, March 2nd

Family Mass—11:30am

The 8th Grade will be reading and the 2nd Grade will be bringing up the gifts

We will have the presentation of First Communicants at this Mass

Tuesday, March 4th

Religious Ed. Class—6:00-8:00pm

Saturday, March 8th

Special Sacraments Class—9:00-11:00am

Family Faith & Fun Night—5:30-8:00pm

Saturday, March 15th

Religious Ed. Class—9:00-11:30am

Tuesday, March 18th

Religious Ed. Class—6:00-8:00pm

Congratulations

I'd like to congratulate our 2nd grade and Special Sacraments Students who experienced the merciful love of God for the First time in the Sacrament of Reconciliation on February 12th.

Luca (Max) Aguirre

Abriella Bowcock

Luzma Contreras

Noah Gonzales

Dominic Grabinski

Christopher Harth

Johnathan Hilton

Dash Horvath

Bryce Jara

Freya Kisiel

Steven Novak

Francis Pascua

Joseph Rago

Myles Stafford

Nolan Wiener



Reminder

Don't forget to be working on your Mass hours.



Hypod Winner

February 10, 2025

\$100 Winner—Michael Landmesser

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



Music Notes

*Blessed are They
Who Hope in the 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.

2024

Contribution Statements

The 2024 contribution statements are now available. If you would like to receive your 2024 contribution statement by mail or email, please contact the rectory at 847-678-0138.

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Parish Support

Week of February 1st & 2nd

Weekly	\$6,076.00
Utilities	\$49.00
Maintenance	\$1,193.16
Solemnity of Mary	\$10.00

MANY THANKS!



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**If you would ever like to
bring up the gifts during Mass,
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Rest in Peace

*“It is a holy and
wholesome thought
that we pray for the dead,”
please remember:
Esther Buziuk
in your prayers.*

**BEHOLD,
YOUR REWARD
WILL BE GREAT
IN HEAVEN**
Luke 6:23

Scripture Readings

For the Week of February 16, 2025

Sunday

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8;

Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6;

1 Cor 15:12, 16-20;

Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday

Gen 4:1-15, 25;

Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;

Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday

Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10;

Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10;

Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

Gen 8:6-13, 20-22;

Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19;

Mk 8:22-26

Thursday

Gen 9:1-13;

Ps 102:16-18; 19-21, 29 and 22-23;

Mk 8:27-33

Friday

Gen 11:1-9;

Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15;

Mk 8:34 - 9:1

Saturday

1 Pet 5:1-4;

Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6;

Mt 16:13-19

Sunday

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;

Ps 103; 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13;

1 Cor 15:45-49;

Lk 6:27-38

Pray For:

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Those Who Are Sick:

Betty Bajzek, Dan Bailey, Char Banyai, Laura Biagini, Sonia Bonacci, Frank Bosco, Pat Brandolino, Gus Campeotto, Bernie Cwan, Phyllis DiBenedetto, Joseph & Beatrice Giannone, Rose & Pat Glasso, Judy Golab, Karla Gosinski, Ruth Gosinski, Howard Heidorn, Mary Hinterlong, Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz, Michael & Vivian Jennings, Arlene Jurinek, Brian Kelly, Patti King, Joyce Knauss, Leonard Kuffer, Marguerite Kramer, Dan Latoria, Jr., Mark Latoria, Joan Lester, Diahnne Lopez, Vicky Majewski (nee Julitz), Ann Macey, Genevieve Mastalerz, Carole McCreery, Bryan McIntyre, Bill McMurray, David Medo, Barbara Miller, Christian Mireles, Pat Morgan, Robert Olender, Christopher Ordo, Julie Parkinson, Michael Pesola, Nancy Piatek, Joanne Pikush, Deacon Ron Pilarski, Melissa Pitts, Mike Ponticelli, Joseph Powyszynski, Glenn & Linda Rawski, Barbara Rodgers, Kathy Sassolino, Cathy & Steve Schreiner, Kim Schulz-Malkowski, Jacqueline Speicher, Pat Sullivan, Sarah Tripoli, Joan & Bill Weichbrodt, Jean Wesolowski, Pauline Wisniewski, Nancy Wright



Those in the Military

Sergeant Michael Bavone, Private Christopher Bavone, US Army PFC Matthew Gonzales, US Army Michael Gutierrez, First Lieutenant Justin Hunt, U.S.A.F. Sergeant Michael Keaty, Gunnery Sergeant Osvaldo Rodriguez, U.S.M.C. Kyle Ruth, US Army Staff Sergeant John J. Schreiner, HN Nathan Wrobbel US Navy, Omar Vee, Jr.

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A Note From The Parish Nurse...

Greetings from the Parish Nurse...

February is American Heart Month. This may be the perfect opportunity to check in with your doctor if you are due for a visit, to learn more about your numbers, (for example your cholesterol level and your blood pressure readings), so you know if you need to make some lifestyle changes. A heart healthy diet partly consists of eating a variety of fruits and vegetables, choosing whole grains, and including healthy protein sources every day, along with lowering salt and sugar intake. Fueling your body with a variety of healthy foods and drinking some water for hydration should help your body and improve your energy and activity levels.

February is also Cancer Prevention Month and the same principals for heart health also can apply to help cancer prevention. Becoming physically active is also recommended for overall health and well-being. Any kind of movement is better than none and it is best to start off slow and move gently to avoid injury when beginning new activities. Of course getting medical clearance from your doctor is important for any medical concerns with increased activity or before starting a new exercise program.

Sleep also plays a big role in the amount of energy you have for dedication to exercise and activities during the day. Most adults need 7-9 hours of sleep each night which can also be a challenge for some. Sleep benefits the repair of cells and tissues in the body, helps to provide a stronger immune system, improves mood and energy, helps with better brain function, and decreases risk of chronic diseases. To improve your sleep, you may want to put away your electronic devices and experiment with relaxing activities that interest you as you begin to wind down your day, such as reading or listening to calming music or drinking a warm caffeine-free beverage before bed.

So let us take time in the new year to prioritize our health. We just may realize that we have developed lifelong healthy habits, a gift to ourselves that keeps on giving!

Blessings and Health to you all.

Anne (Nancy) Ryan, RN
Faith Community Nurse

References: American Heart Association, American Institute for Cancer Research

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