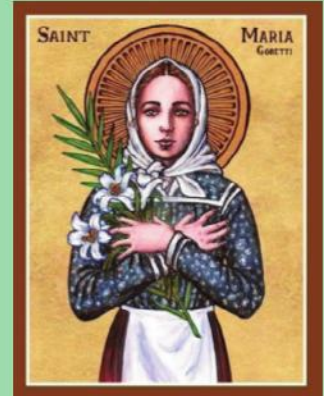




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

**JULY 27, 2025
17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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Rev. Robert Schultz, Pastor

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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 begin this final week of July, we celebrate the second feast day of our parish's two patron saints. St. Beatrice's feast day is on Tuesday, July 29. At the weekend Masses on July 5-6, we presented a rose at the relic of St. Maria Goretti, as her feast day was July 6. So, at the Masses on this weekend, we will place a rose at the relic of St. Beatrice to honor her for her upcoming feast day.

This week we will also host our HVM Potluck Dinner. Last year's dinner was very successful in terms of attendance and the amount of food that was donated, so we are happy to offer this parish social event again. The Potluck Dinner will take place this Thursday, July 31st at 6:30pm in Hendle Hall. We invite you to bring your favorite appetizer, soup, salad, dinner, or dessert to share with others, although it is not necessary to bring a food item in order to attend. There is no cost to attend, but we will have a free will offering basket to support HVM Parish. We will also offer a split-the-pot cash raffle during dinner. We hope to see you there!

Finally, I usually spend much of my articles here letting you know what is taking place at the parish, but since I have some extra room this week, I wanted to say a few words about the theme of this weekend's Scripture readings. Both the Old Testament reading and the Gospel reading this Sunday talk about the importance of not only praying, but also of persevering in prayer. In light of that, I'd like to share a few quotes from some Catholic saints on the topic of prayer. I hope that you find them inspirational for your prayer life.

St. Ambrose: *"The Lord Jesus urges you to pray earnestly and frequently, not offering long and wearisome prayers, but praying often, and with perseverance."*

St. Cyprian: *"God hears our heart, not our voice."*

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque: *"Are you making no progress in prayer? Then you need only offer God the prayers which the Savior has poured out for us in the sacrament of the altar."*

Pope St. Paul VI: *"If you have lost the taste for prayer, you will regain the desire for it by returning humbly to its practice."*

Let me say a word about that last quote. I would compare it to that famous Nike ad, "Just Do It." I think that is essentially what St. Paul VI is saying: if you're having trouble praying, then the best way to get back into prayer is by praying! Just do it! I believe that applies to many things in life. If we are trying to accomplish a goal (whatever that goal might be), then we can either hesitate, or procrastinate, or make excuses for not trying it, or we can just try it! The same holds true with prayer. We can read about prayer, and we can listen to what other people say about it, but we won't be praying until we actually start praying.

As Pope Paul VI said, return *humbly* to its practice. Be humble enough to say, "I don't need to be an expert in prayer [if there is such a thing!]. I just need to set aside the time to be with God, who always desires to be with me."

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

Fr. Rob



Join us for First Saturday Devotions on Saturday,
August 2nd at 8:30am in church
We will have Rosary & Prayer
followed by fellowship in the Gathering Room
All are welcome!



MASSES For The Week

Saturday—July 27th

9:30—Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Paul Pignatelli, req. Family
 Raymond & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
 Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney, req. Kraft Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Family
 Marion Chrusciel, req. Jim & Carolyn Petti
 Michael Jennings, req. Bill & Joan Weichbrodt
 Luisito Rosales, req. Family
 Norbert Nielubowski, req. Troy Cychosz

11:30—Ada Mae Anderson, req. Family
 Helen Molinari, req. Family
 Marlene O’Brien, req. Family

Monday—July 28th

8:30—Eugene M. Celli, req. Ministry of Consolation

Tuesday—July 29th

8:30—William Nystrom, req. Darlene Bauman
 Bernadine Cwan, req. Don Kasper

Wednesday—July 30th

8:30—Carol Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family
 Mary Kraft, req. Family

Thursday—July 31st

8:30—Joe Cunningham, req. Family
 James Cunningham, req. Family
 Billy Broeski, req. Dick Anderson & Colleen Broeski & Family
 Ron Kraft, Jr., req. Family
 Joseph & Mary Traxler, req. Family

Saturday—August 2nd

4:30—Katherine Karpowicz, req. Family
 Mary Scherbing, req. Judy Webster
 Chris Benesch, req. Denise L. Benesch Charity Fund
 Paul Schwarck, req. Pat & Al Splittgerber
 Tony Powyszynski, req. Michelle Morgan
 Vito Ciaccia, req. Family
 William Weichbrodt, req. Nancy Ryan
 Jeanne Schoenrock, req. Mary Jo Remian

Saturday—August 3rd

9:30—James Florio Family, req. Family
 Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Francine & Kraft Family, req. Family
 Joseph Ferrara, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Family
 Michael Jennings, req. Ministry of Consolation
 Emmett Swerdon, req. Don Kasper

11:30—Ada Mae Anderson, req. Family
 Irene Czerech, req. Chris Bialorucki
 Stanley Powlowski, req. Family
 Ed Galey, req. Family
 Mario Grisolia, req. Carmine & Linda
 Marlene O’Brien, req. Family

| August 2nd & 3rd | 4:30pm | 9:30am | 11:30am |
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| Lector | Karen Weichbrodt | Dorothy Brown | Zerlina Kirchen |
| Communion Ministers | C. Widuch P. Cychosz M. Widuch | G. Zech R. McCampbell N. Figueroa | L. Louis—Charles L. Alipio A. Caccavari |
| Altar Servers | P. Cychosz C. Fiore | T. Cychosz J. Widuch | A. Herrera L. Gonzales |

Hypod Winner

July 11, 2025

\$100 Winner—Maverick Bacha

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



Music Notes

*Saints Maria Goretti & Beatrice,
Pray for Us*



Baptisms

Through the living waters of Baptism the following were welcomed into the People of God:

Cataleya Rose Hacker, daughter of Michael and Jazmin Hacker (nee Perez)



FOOTBALL MANIA TICKETS COMING SOON!!!

Each \$20 Football Mania Ticket gives you a chance to win a weekly cash prize for each of the 18 weeks of the NFL Regular Season!

Prizes range from \$25-400.

Tickets will be on sale in the back of church starting the weekend of August 9th & 10th.



Week of July 12th & 13th

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| Weekly | \$4,128.04 |
| Utilities | \$1,335.00 |
| Maintenance | \$153.00 |
| Ascension | \$5.00 |
| Peter's Pence | \$61.00 |
| Mission Co-op | \$20.00 |
| Priest Retirement | \$55.00 |
| Catholic Charities | \$20.00 |

MANY THANKS!



Scan the QR Code to donate electronically to Holy Virgin Martyrs.

Second Collections:

The second collection on August 3rd is for Maintenance Please be as generous as you can.

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 by email aryan2@primehealthcare.com.



Blood pressure screenings will take place on Sunday, August 10th after all the Masses in the gathering room in the back of church.

**Scripture Readings
For the Week of July 27, 2025**

**Sunday
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Gn 18:20-32;
Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8;
Col 2:12-14;
Lk 11:1-13

Monday

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34;
Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23;
Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday

Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28;
Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13;
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

Ex 34:29-35;
Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9;
Mt 13:44-46

Thursday

Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38;
Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11;
Mt 13:47-53

Friday

Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;
Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab;
Mt 13:54-58

Saturday

Lv 25: 1, 8-17;
Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8;
Mt 14:1-12

Sunday

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23;
Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17;
Col 3:1-5, 9-11;
Lk 12:13-21

Those Who Are Sick:

Fr. Ambrosio Arambula, Betty Bajzek, Dan Bailey, Char Banyai, Laura Biagini, Sonia Bonacci, Frank Bosco, Pat Brandolino, Gus Campeotto, Phyllis DiBenedetto, Joseph & Beatrice Giannone, Rose & Pat Glasso, Judy Golab, Karla Gosinski, Ruth Gosinski, Howard Heidorn, Mary Hinterlong, Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz, Cindy Indurante, 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), 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, Jacqueline Reiss, Barbara Rodgers, Kathy Sassolino, Cathy & Steve Schreiner, Kim Schulz-Malkowski, Jacqueline Spejcher, Pat Sullivan, Sarah Tripoli, Jim Waterloo, Joan Weichbrodt, Jean Wesolowski, 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.

**St. Beatrice
Virgin & Martyr
July 29th**

*St. Beatrice's two brothers, St. Simplicius and St. Faustinus, were cruelly tormented and eventually beheaded in Rome during the Diocletian persecution in the year 303. Their sister Beatrice took up their bodies out of the Tiber and gave them burial. She concealed herself for seven months in the house of a virtuous widow called Lucina, with whom she spent her time, night and day, in fervent prayer and in the exercise of other good works. She was discovered and impeached by a pagan kinsman who designed to possess her estate. She resolutely protested to the judge that she would never adore gods of wood and stone, and she was thus strangled by his order in prison the following night. Lucina buried her body near her brothers on the side of the highway to Porto, in the cemetery called *Ad Ursum Pileatum*. Pope Leo translated their relics into a church which he built to their honor in the city, and they now lie in that of St. Mary Major.*

(Excerpted from The Lives of the Fathers, Martyrs, and Other Principal Saints, Volume 7)

Prayer To Saint Beatrice
*May the Blessed Saint Beatrice,
youthful virgin and martyr,
intercede for the youth of our world today,
O God.*

*Her undivided heart pleased you well.
May she obtain for the church
a strong sense of dedication to your word
and the courage to visibly live what we believe.*

*In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we ask this through Christ our Lord.*

Amen.





Religious Education News

Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen
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Open House

Join us on Tuesday, September 9th from 6:00-8:00pm in the religious education building for our annual open house. Come and meet our staff, tour our building, and review our religious education materials. There will even be an opportunity to register your child at the open house.

Registration Information

Our in person religious education classes meet twice a month either Saturday mornings from 9:00—11:30am or Tuesday evenings from 6:00—8:00pm at the Wagner Street entrance of the religious Education building. We will once again be offering our homeschool (elearning) option as well. Our first days of class are: Tuesday, September 23rd and Saturday, September 27th. Homeschool Lessons begin on Tuesday, October 7th.

There is a 2-year consecutive attendance requirement for a child to be eligible to receive a sacrament in the religious education program. Sacramental Fees must be paid for each child receiving a sacrament this year. The Sacramental Fees are: **Communion—\$50 and Confirmation—\$100**

The Tuition for the upcoming year is: **1 Child—\$275, 2 Children—\$325, 3+ Children—\$350**

You DO NOT need to be a parishioner to enroll your child in the religious education program.

Please note the tuition amounts DO NOT include sacramental fees. Tuition and Sacramental fees are to be paid at the time of registration. Families who pay in full at the time of registration will receive a \$15 discount. If a family is unable to pay the entire amount at the time of registration, payment plans are available. A \$15 Payment Plan fee will be added to your tuition. A \$75 **NON-REFUNDABLE** payment along with any sacramental fees are due at the time of registration for those participating in a payment plan.

You can register your child in the religious education program by scanning the QR Code on this page or by coming to one of our registration days at the Wagner Street entrance of the religious education building on either Wednesday, September 3rd from 4:30-7:30pm or Saturday, September 6th from 10:00am-2:00pm. For more information about our program or registering your child, please contact the religious education office.



HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS POTLUCK DINNER



**Thursday, July 31st
at 6:30pm in Hendle Hall**



This free event is open to everyone!

We also invite you to bring your favorite appetizer, soup, salad, dinner or dessert to share.

We will have a split the pot raffle at the dinner.

Free will offerings will be accepted to support HVM Parish.

**Come for a night of food,
fellowship, & fun!**

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