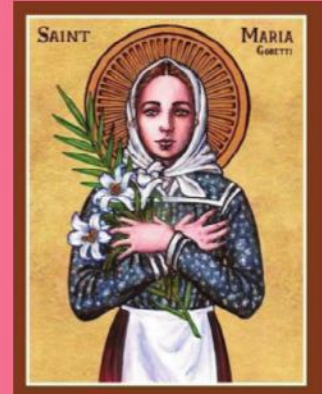




HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025
THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



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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

This weekend is one of the few exceptions to the rule when it comes to liturgy. The Sunday Mass normally takes precedence over any other liturgical memorial or feast that falls on a Sunday, but the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is one of those exceptions. The Holy Cross feast day is Sep. 14, and even though it falls on Sunday this year, it is still celebrated. This is because the cross is the central symbol of our faith, and Jesus being raised up (exalted) on the cross is the means by which we are saved. So, the Scripture readings and prayers for Mass this weekend focus on how Jesus triumphed over death by His sacrificial death on the cross.

And while we often focus on Jesus' death and resurrection, we should not forget the important event that took place between those two things – Jesus' burial. In light of that, don't forget that **this weekend we are hosting the Man of the Shroud exhibit.** The Shroud of Turin is believed to be the actual burial cloth of Jesus, and it is one of the most scientifically studied religious icons in history. The Shroud exhibit belongs to the Franciscan Friars of Marytown in Libertyville, IL. They offer it to parishes to put on display, free of charge – they only ask for a free will offering. While the exhibit does not include the actual shroud, it does include a detailed photographic replica of it. The image is more than 14 feet long and 3 feet wide, displaying the front and back images of the shroud. The exhibit also details the results of a comprehensive scientific and forensic study with numerous photographs and illustrations. It is very impressive, and I hope that it will strengthen your faith in the Risen Christ.



The Man of the Shroud exhibit has been on display here since Thursday, and you can still see it this weekend. It will be in Hendle Hall on Saturday, Sep. 13 until 6pm, and on Sunday, Sep. 14 from 10am-2pm.

Looking ahead to October, I hope that you can join us for the second event to celebrate our parish's 5-year anniversary. On Sunday, Oct. 5th, Bishop José María García-Maldonado (our auxiliary bishop for Vicariate IV) will celebrate the 11:30am Mass here at HVM. Immediately after Mass, we will process outside, where the bishop will bless our St. Beatrice and St. Maria

Goretti statues, and then bless and re-dedicate the whole space as the HVM Prayer Garden. This will be followed by a light reception (coffee and sweets) in Hendle Hall. We hope to see you there!

Finally, last Saturday we hosted a dinner in Hendle Hall to celebrate our 5-year anniversary as HVM Parish. I want to again thank everyone who attended and/or contributed in any way. I've Included here photos of the two cakes that were generously donated for the event.

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



Fr. Rob



Music Notes

Exalt the Holy Cross



Blood pressure screenings will take place on Sunday, September 21st after all the Masses in the gathering room in the back of church.



MASSES For The Week

Sunday—September 14th

9:30—Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Francine & Kraft Family, req. Family
 Leona Mayers, req. Judy Iversen
 Adela Ceniza & Macario Ceniza, req.
 The Louis—Charles Family
 Virgilio Mayol, req. Family
 John Kalamarie, req. Kohut Family
 Marion Chrusciel, req. Peg Chrusciel
 Raymond & Lena Gennetti, req. Family
 Felix Soto, req. Family
 Felipa Gonzales, req. Family
 Bienvenida Caceres, req. Family
 Enrique & Paula Gonzales, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky

11:30—Ada Mae Anderson, req. Family
 Marlene O’Brien, req. Family
 Ronald Furtak, req. Joyce Burns
 Mario Grisolia, req. Carmine & Linda
 Robert Campbell, req. Ann Marie Campbell
 Deceased Members of Piotrowski & Pultorak
 Families, req. Robert & Christine Maszka

Monday—September 15th

8:30—Linda Rawski, req. Klafeta Family
 Felipa Murga, req. Fr. Rob

Tuesday—September 16th

8:30—Carol Heidorn, req. Heidorn Family

Wednesday—September 17th

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

Thursday—September 18th

8:30—Ray & Dorothy Phipps, req. Jim & Rose Ridgeway
 Paula Parenti, req. Family

Saturday—September 20th

4:30—Grandparents Bak, req. E. Madrzycki
 Grandparents Sliz, req. E. Madrzycki
 Chris Benesch, req. Denise L. Benesch Charity Fund
 Thomas L. Waguespack, req. Pam Barnes
 John & Johnny Heneghan, req. Family
 Linda Rawski, req. Bacha Family
 Joseph & Mary Traxler, req. Family
 Susan Bratanick, req. Nancy Ryan
 Tony Powyszynski, req. Judy Wisnoski

Sunday—September 21st

9:30—Matthew O’Brien, req. Family
 Thomas Griffin, req. Family
 Wilbert & Betty Saathoff, req. Family
 Eleno Mayol, Sr. & Calecta Mayol, req. Family
 Adrien Coupaud, req. The Louis—Charles Family
 Luce Coupaud, req. The Louis—Charles Family
 Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney,
 Req. The Kraft Family
 Lester Fippinger, req. Family
 Blanca Selsky, req. Steve Selsky
 Linda Rawski, req. Russell & Janine Paoletti

11:30—Ada Mae Anderson, req. Family
 Billy Boeski, req. Richard Anderson & Colleen Broeski
 and Family
 Sophia Jayko, req. Family
 Evelyn Majca, req. Family
 Marlene O’Brien, req. Family
 Stanley Powrozek, Jr., req. Tom & Kara, Dave & Erin,
 and Art & Mary

| September 20th & 21st | 4:30pm | 9:30am | 11:30am |
|----------------------------|--|---|---|
| Lector | Karen Weichbrodt | Donna Rae Siekierski | Liz Lynch |
| Communion Ministers | C. Schreiner N. Davoli C. McLean | R. McCampbell J. Traxler G. Zech | A Caccavari N. May L. Alipio |
| Altar Servers | C. Widuch M. Widuch | S. LoCascio N. LoCascio G. Davila | O. Kucharczyk P. Kitlas G. Kitlas |

Hypod Winner

September 8, 2025

\$100 Winner—Ray Gervais

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



Week 6

\$100 Winner

Angelina Morello—Ticket # 3298



Week of August 30th & 31st

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| Weekly | \$4,756.00 |
| Utilities | \$51.00 |
| Maintenance | \$110.00 |
| Assumption | \$21.00 |
| Seminary | \$30.00 |
| Missionary Co-Op | \$1,610.20 |

MANY THANKS!



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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.

OKTOBERFEST 27 September 2025 6PM Benefiting the Enger School



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Fundraising Update

On the April 27th Concert given by parishioner Julio Cuomo we raised \$445. For the Potluck dinner held on July 31st we raised \$812. Many Thanks!

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.

Scripture Readings For the Week of September 14, 2025

Sunday Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9;
Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38;
Phil 2:6-11;
Jn 3:13-17

Monday Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Tm 2:1-8;
Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9;
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Tuesday Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop and Martyrs

1 Tm 3:1-13;
Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6;
Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday

1 Tm 3:14-16;
Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6;
Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

1 Tm 4:12-16;
Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10;
Lk 7:36-50

Friday

1 Tm 6:2c-12;
Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20;
Lk 8:1-3

Saturday Memorial of Saint Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

1 Tm 6:13-16;
Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5;
Lk 8:4-15

Sunday Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 8:4-7;
Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1
Tm 2:1-8;
Lk 16:1-13

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, Beatrice Giannone, Rose & Pat Glasso, Judy Golab, Karla Gosinski, Ruth Gosinski, Howard Heidorn, Mary Hinterlong, Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz, Renee Iman, Cindy Indurante, Vivian Jennings, Arlene Jurinek, Brian Kelly, Patti King, Joyce Knauss, Leonard Kuffer, Marguerite Kramer, Dan Latoria, Jr., Mark Latoria, Joan Lester, Diahne Lopez, Vicky Majewski (nee Julitz), Genevieve Mastalerz, Carole McCreery, Bryan McIntyre, Bill McMurray, 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, Betty Quartello, Glenn Rawski, Jacqueline Reiss, Barbara Rodgers, John Saathoff, Kathy Sassolino, Cathy & Steve Schreiner, Kim Schulz-Malkowski, Jacqueline Spejcher, Pat Sullivan, Sarah Tripoli, Jim Waterloo, Joan Weichbrodt, Jean Wesolowski, Nancy Wright, Isabella Yorti

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, USAF Staff Sergeant John J. Schreiner, HN Nathan Wrobbel US Navy, Omar Vee, Jr.



All school children are invited to bring their backpacks to the 9:30am or 11:30am on Sunday, September 28th to have Fr. Rob bless them.

Walking With Jesus

Come join me on a 6 week long walking program while remembering Jesus' journey through the crucifixion and resurrection.

Through walking with Jesus you will add more steps in your day while making some simple lifestyle changes and sharing our faith.

Walking with Jesus will take place after the morning Masses on Wednesdays September 17th and 24th, and October 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th.

Contact Nancy Ryan, Parish Nurse, at the rectory with questions.



Religious Education News

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

Tuesday, September 9th

Open House
 6:00-8:00pm

Tuesday, September 23rd

First Religious Ed. Class
 6:00-8:00pm

Saturday, September 27th

First Religious Ed. Class
 9:00-11:30am

Tuesday, October 7th

Religious Ed. Class
 6:00-8:00pm

Saturday, October 11th

Religious Ed. Class
 9:00-11:30am

Saturday, October 18th

Special Sacraments Class
 9:00-11:00am

Tuesday, October 21st




Religious Ed. Class
 6:00-8:00pm
 Confirmation Parent Meeting
 8:00pm

Registration Update

If you missed our registration days, you can still register your child by arriving early on the first days of class either Tuesday, September 23rd or Saturday, September 27th. You can also enroll your child by scanning the QR Code on this page.



To enroll your child in the Religious Education Program you will need the following:

-  *Completed Registration Form*
-  *Tuition Payment*
-  *A copy of your child's Baptism and 1st Reconciliation and Communion certificates, if applicable.*

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact the Religious Education office.





*Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish
is celebrating our 5-Year Anniversary
with a Mass on
Sunday, October 5th at 11:30am
with Bishop Jose Maria Garcia-Maldonado
Followed by the Rededication of the Prayer Garden
and a reception in Hendle Hall.*

JOIN THE MUSIC MINISTRY

Singers and Instrumentalists of All Ages

Now is a great time to join the Adult Choir which resumes this fall and help continue to build the Music Ministry at Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish. We welcome and encourage you to consider:

Adult Choir

Sings at the Sunday 9:30 am Mass, and Holidays or Special Masses throughout the church year (Sept.-May) rehearses at 7:00 pm generally on Wednesday's and at 9:00 am on Sundays.

"He who sings prays twice" -St Augustine

Guitar Group

Plays once a month at the 11:30 am Family Mass and some special Masses throughout the year. Generally rehearses once a month.

Hope to see you,

Please stop by and say hello after any Mass on September 6th & 7th or 13th & 14th, there will be sign-up sheets available on the piano.

For more information please contact Richard Gersten, Music Director, at atenorsart@sbcglobal.net

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