



HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

**JANUARY 26, 2026
3RD 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.

In this last week of January, Catholic dioceses around the country celebrate Catholic Schools Week (CSW). This year's CSW runs from Jan. 25-31. Our two legacy parishes, St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti, offered Catholic education in their respective schools for decades. This is why, even though we do not have a school at HVM Parish, it is still important for us to acknowledge CSW, as we are grateful that our two former Catholic schools handed on the faith to thousands of children over the years.

I also like to remind everyone that, even though we may not have a Catholic school, we do have a well-established and well-run Religious Education (RE) program. In each of the last several years we have had over 150 students in our program (this year we have around 180). We offer classes on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings, and we also offer a home-school option. Our catechists and aides (who are all volunteers) dedicate their time and talent to teach the Catholic faith to our young people. And all of this is overseen by our wonderful RE Coordinator, Zerlina Kirchen.

So, as Catholic schools are celebrated this week, I would like to also acknowledge our RE program, and all RE programs around the Archdiocese, which join Catholic schools in the mission of handing on the faith.

When it comes to handing on the faith to adults, the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is overseen by our dedicated catechist Mirusia Michalowski. I'm happy to say that, while this year's OCIA class started with two participants, we now have three. Our two catechumens (preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) are Andrea Ledesma and Veronica Psencik, and our candidate (preparing for Confirmation and Eucharist) is Matthew Schlage. Please keep them in prayer as they journey towards full initiation into the Catholic Church at Easter.

I encourage you to mark your calendars for what promises to be a wonderful evening of reflection. Our Knights of Columbus Ave Maria Council will be hosting Fr. Britto Berchmans. Fr. Britto gave our Lenten Mission several years ago, and he was very well-received. He is a respected retired priest of the Chicago Archdiocese, and he has given many mission and retreat talks. Join us here in church on Tuesday, Feb. 10 at 7:00pm, as Fr. Britto will present: "Men and Women in Conversation – Communication in Relationships." His latest book, "Built on the Rock: A Practical Guide to Marriage" will be available for purchase that night.

Finally, last month when I spoke about our parish's financial report, I encouraged everyone to consider donating to HVM Parish online. You can always give a one-time gift, or you can set up a recurring donation to the parish – which would greatly help us by providing steady, reliable income. To donate online, go to our parish website at www.hvmparish.org and click on the "Donate" button. This will take you to our PayPal page, where you can set up a one-time or recurring donation.

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

Fr. Rob

Mass Intentions

Sunday—January 25th

9:30—Matthew O’Brien
 Thomas Griffin
 Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney
 Marlene Butler
 Virgilio Mayol
 11:30—Marlene O’Brien
 Matthew & Ida Hendle

Monday—January 26th

8:30—Carol Heidorn
 Luisito Rosales

Tuesday—January 27th

8:30—Marion Chrusciel
 Donna Roberts

Wednesday—January 28th

8:30—Dolores Battaglio
 Chris Benesch—1 Year Anniversary

Thursday—January 29th

8:30—Mary Ann Pearch

Saturday—January 31st

4:30—Chris Benesch
 Michael & Jean Smoczynski
 Isabella Yorty

Sunday—February 1st

9:30—Matthew O’Brien
 Thomas Griffin
 Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney
 Gene Danhoffer
 James Florio Family
 Esther Buziuk
 Mary Ann Mayol-Garcia
 11:30—Marlene O’Brien

January 30th & February 31st	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Lector			
Communion Ministers	I Benesch P. Cychosz M. Michalowski	R. Kraft G. Zech N. Kent	A. Caccavari L. Louis—Charles N. May
Altar Servers	C. Widuch M. Widuch	S. Cychosz C. Fiore	K. Lima E. LaVattiata



Music Notes

*Close To You Lord,
 I Will Find Other Seas*

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.

Hypod Winner

January 19, 2026

\$100 Winner—Oliver Skrzyniarz

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

If you would ever like to bring up the gifts during Mass, please let the ushers know before Mass. Anyone is welcome

Second Collections:

The second collection on February 1st is for Maintenance Please be as generous as you can.



Pray For:

Those Who Are Sick

Luz Alarcon
Fr. Ambrosio Arambula
Betty Bajzek
Dan Bailey
Char Banyai
Laura Biangini
Chrissy Biegos
Sonia Bonacci
Frank Bosco
Pat Brandolino
Gus Campeotto
Phyllis DiBenedetto
Beatrice Giannone
Rose & Pat Glasso
Judy Golab
Karla Gosinski
Ruth Gosinski

Howard Heidorn
Jose Herrera
Mary Hinterlong
Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz
Renee Iman
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)

Geneveve Mastalerz
Carole McCreery
Bryan McIntyre
Bill McMurray
Barbara Miller
Christian Mireles
Pat Morgan
Robert Olender
Christopher Ordo
Michael Pesola
Nancy Piatek
Deacon Ron Pilarski
Melissa Pitts
Mike Ponticelli
Joseph Powyszynski
Betty Quartello
Glenn Rawski

Jacqueline Reiss
Barbara Rodgers
John Saathoff
Kathy Sassolino
Cathy & Steve Schreiner
Jacqueline Spejcher
Pat Sullivan
Michelle Swigost
Sarah Tripoli
Jim Waterloo
Joan Weichbrodt
Jean Wesolowski
Nancy Wright
Isabella Yorty

Those in the Military

Sergeant Michael Bavone
Private Christopher Bavone
US Army PFC Matthew Gonzales
US Army Michael Gutierrez
First Lieutenant Justin Hunt,

USAF Sergeant Michael Keaty
Gunnery Sergeant Osvaldo Rodriguez
USMC Kyle Ruth
USAF Staff Sergeant John J. Schreiner
HN Nathan Wrobbel US Navy



Parish Support

Week of January 10th & 11th

Weekly	\$4,187.10
Utilities	\$1,346.00
Maintenance	\$60.00
Christmas	\$135.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$100.00
Immaculate Conception	\$10.00

MANY THANKS!



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Religious Education News

Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, January 31st
Special Sacraments Class
9:00-11:00am

Sunday, February 1st
Family Mass—11:30am
The 4th Grade will be reading and bringing up the gifts.

Tuesday, February 3rd
Religious Education Class
6:00—8:00pm

Saturday, February 7th
Religious Education Class
9:00-11:30am

Confirmation Update

Our 8th graders have been working hard in preparation for their Confirmation.

This Saturday they took part in their Confirmation Retreat and attended the 4:30pm Mass where they were presented to the parish.

Please keep our students and their sponsors and families in your prayers as they continue their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.



Adult Confirmation Classes

The 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 10:00am—12:00pm. The schedule of classes is: Saturday, January 31st, Saturday, February 28th, Saturday, March 14th
Confirmation Retreat—March 9th—12th
Confirmation Rehearsal —March 31st at 7:30pm
Confirmation —Saturday, April 4th at 7:30pm

You must be registered by the first class in order to receive your Confirmation this year. For more information or to register please contact the Religious Education Office.

Scripture Readings
For the Week of January 25, 2026

Sunday

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23—9:3;
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17;
Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday

Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5;
Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10;
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19;
Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10;
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday

Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 7:4-17;
Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30;
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29;
Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14;
Mk 4:21-25

Friday

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17;
Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11;
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday

Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17;
Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13;
Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10;
1 Cor 1:26-31;
Mt 5:1-12a

Save the Date!

Tuesday,

February 10, 2026

7:00 pm.

Holy Virgin Martyrs:

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish



A special event with

Fr. Britto Berchmans presenting:
“Men and Women in Conversation –
Communication in Relationships.”

Father Britto is a respected, retired priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, known for his engaging and humorous presentations on Catholic spirituality, personal growth, and relationships.

*His latest book, **BUILT ON THE ROCK: A Practical Guide to Marriage** will be available for purchase.

All are welcome, admission is FREE!

Please join us for a special evening.



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Mass Intention Request Form

THE 2026 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 \$15.00 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

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DATE AND TIME PREFERRED



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