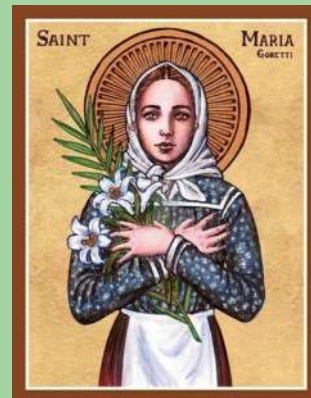




# HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

**FEBRUARY 8, 2026  
5TH 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.**

This weekend we begin the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). This is the Announcement Weekend; Feb. 14-15 is the Commitment Weekend (when we offer an in-pew pledge process); and Feb. 21-22 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.

The theme of this year's ACA is "Together We Bring Light". This builds off the theme of last year's ACA, which was "Together We Bring Hope." 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.

I'm happy to say that we have always been successful in the ACA, in that we have always collected funds beyond our goal. For example, our goal for last year's ACA was \$23,557. As of last month, we received \$40,526 in pledges, and we've collected \$39,108. This means that our parish will receive a rebate of around \$16,000 for 2025. Our goal for this year's ACA is \$23,823 – and as always, I'm hopeful that we'll be able to not only reach it but also surpass it.

At the Masses next weekend, we will ask everyone to consider making a pledge to the 2026 ACA. And please remember that you can pledge anytime online by going to our parish website at [www.hvmparish.org](http://www.hvmparish.org), or go to [www.annualcatholicappeal.com](http://www.annualcatholicappeal.com). Whatever method you choose to pledge, please remember to designate Holy Virgin Martyrs as the parish where you want to credit your gift so that your donation will count towards our goal.

Don't forget that this week the Knights of Columbus are hosting an evening of reflection given by Fr. Britto Berchmans. Fr. Britto is a respected retired priest of the Chicago Archdiocese, and he has given many mission and retreat talks. Join us this Tuesday, Feb. 10 at 7:00pm in church, 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.

Looking ahead to next week, we will begin the season of Lent. I'll have much more to say about that in next week's bulletin, but for now, please note that Ash Wednesday is Feb. 18. Masses on Ash Wednesday will be at 8:30am, 12:00pm, and 7:00pm.

Finally, last week I offered some trivia questions based on some Sunday homilies that I have given here in the past three months (I wanted to see if you were paying attention!) Here are the answers:

St. John Lateran Basilica (*not* St. Peter's Basilica)

The Virgin Mary being conceived by her mother, St. Anne (*not* Jesus being conceived by Mary)

The gift of myrrh, which was used to anoint the dead

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

The city of Corinth (thus, it is called Paul's letters to the Corinthians)

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

Fr. Rob

# Mass Intentions

## Sunday—February 8th

9:30—Matthew O'Brien  
 Frank Pavone  
 Catherine Solare  
 Maurice Iorio  
 Thomas Griffin  
 Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney  
 Roger Louis—Charles  
 Joseph Louis—Charles  
 Helena Buch  
 Czesław Woźniczka  
 Stanislaw Pierzchała  
 Veronica & Baby  
 Wojchiech (Safe Journey)  
 Birthday Blessings for Michalina K., Natalia D.,  
 Jozef B, Aspen J., Blazej P., and Stanislaw R.

11:30—Marlene O'Brien  
 Deceased Members Piotrowski & Pultorak  
 Families

## Monday—February 9th

8:30—Theodore Jablonski

## Tuesday—February 10th

8:30—Mary Ann Pearch

## Wednesday—February 11th

8:30—Carol Heidorn  
 Private Intention

## Thursday—February 12th

8:30—William & Elizabeth Clarke

## Saturday—February 14th

4:30—Chris Benesch  
 Isabella Yorty  
 Vince SanFilippo  
 Casey & Tony Powyszynski  
 William Weichbrodt  
 Susan Bratanick

## Sunday—February 15th

9:30—Matthew O'Brien  
 Thomas Griffin  
 Donald Wisnoski  
 Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney  
 Raymond & Lena Gennetti

11:30—Marlene O'Brien  
 Stanley Powrozek, Jr.  
 Bernice Kirchen  
 Al Jedziniak

February 14th & 15th	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
<b>Lector</b>	Karen Weichbrodt	Roy McCampbell	Bobbly Lima
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	N. Davoli C. Schreiner S. Schreiner	C. Fippinger J. Losurdo J. Traxler	L. Alipio N. May M. Michalowski
<b>Altar Servers</b>	L. Trischan E. Trischan D. Tajstryk	S. Cervantes M. Morgan	L. Louis—Charles K. Lima

# Hypod Winner

**February 2, 2026**

**\$100 Winner—Carol Herlocker**

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

## *Parish Support*

**Week of January 24th & 25th**

Weekly	\$3,168.00
Utilities	\$10.00
Maintenance	\$110.00
Religious Retirement	\$5.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$5.00
Church in Latin America	\$661.00

**MANY THANKS!**



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# 2025

## Contribution Statements

You can get your 2025 contribution statement by contacting the rectory at 847-678-0138.

## *Those who are ill*

<i>Luz Alarcon</i>	<i>Diahnne Lopez</i>
<i>Fr. Ambrosio Arambula</i>	<i>Vicky Majewski (nee Julitz)</i>
<i>Betty Bajzek</i>	<i>Geneveve Mastalerz</i>
<i>Dan Bailey</i>	<i>Carole McCreery</i>
<i>Char Banyai</i>	<i>Bryan McIntyre</i>
<i>Laura Biangini</i>	<i>Bill McMurray</i>
<i>Chrissy Biegos</i>	<i>Barbara Miller</i>
<i>Sonia Bonacci</i>	<i>Christian Mireles</i>
<i>Frank Bosco</i>	<i>Pat Morgan</i>
<i>Pat Brandolino</i>	<i>Robert Olender</i>
<i>Gus Campeotto</i>	<i>Christopher Ordo</i>
<i>Phyllis DiBenedetto</i>	<i>Michael Pesola</i>
<i>Rose Gervais</i>	<i>Nancy Piatek</i>
<i>Beatrice Giannone</i>	<i>Deacon Ron Pilariski</i>
<i>Rose &amp; Pat Glasso</i>	<i>Melissa Pitts</i>
<i>Judy Golab</i>	<i>Mike Ponticelli</i>
<i>Karla Gosinski</i>	<i>Joseph Powyszynski</i>
<i>Ruth Gosinski</i>	<i>Betty Quartello</i>
<i>Howard Heidorn</i>	<i>Glenn Rawski</i>
<i>Jose Herrera</i>	<i>Jacqueline Reiss</i>
<i>Mary Hinterlong</i>	<i>Barbara Rodgers</i>
<i>Laura Gardeck &amp; Jeff Hinz</i>	<i>John Saathoff</i>
<i>Renee Iman</i>	<i>Kathy Sassolino</i>
<i>Vivian Jennings</i>	<i>Cathy &amp; Steve Schreiner</i>
<i>Arlene Jurinek</i>	<i>Jacqueline Speicher</i>
<i>Brian Kelly</i>	<i>Pat Sullivan</i>
<i>Patti King</i>	<i>Michelle Swigost</i>
<i>Joyce Knauss</i>	<i>Sarah Tripoli</i>
<i>Leonard Kuffer</i>	<i>Jim Waterloo</i>
<i>Marguerite Kramer</i>	<i>Joan Weichbrodt</i>
<i>Dan Latoria, Jr.</i>	<i>Jean Wesolowski</i>
<i>Mark Latoria</i>	<i>Nancy Wright</i>
<i>Joan Lester</i>	<i>Isabella Yorty</i>

## *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*  
*Omar Vee, Jr.*





# Religious Education News

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## Upcoming Events

Wednesday, February 11th

First Reconciliation—7:00pm

Saturday, February 14th

Special Sacraments Class  
 9:00-11:30am

Tuesday, February 17th

Religious Education Class  
 6:00—8:00pm

Saturday, February 21st

Religious Education Class  
 9:00—11:30am

Wednesday, February 25th

First Reconciliation—7:00pm

Saturday, February 28th

Special Sacraments Class  
 9:00—11:00am

Adult Confirmation Class  
 10:00am—2:00pm

Sunday, March 1st

Family Mass—11:30am

The 3rd Grade will be reading and bringing up the gifts.

We will have the presentation of First Communicants at this Mass.

## What We're Learning

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade (Tuesdays)

We learned that we can pray anywhere. We read the story of Noah's Ark and discussed the ways that we say, "Yes" to God. We learned about the Holy Spirit and how he is the 3<sup>rd</sup> person of the Trinity and how he guides us to follow God.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (Tuesdays)

We spent time preparing for our First Reconciliation. We practiced how to examine our consciences. We spent time learning about forgiveness. We are working on memorizing the Our Father.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Tuesdays)

We learned about the 10 Commandments and how they are very important to live by. We also watched a movie about Moses and how he leads the Israelites to freedom by parting the Red Sea.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (Tuesdays)

We learned that the Church has seasons and they are: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Triduum, Easter and Ordinary Time. We also spent time talking about the 7 Sacraments and Saint Juan Diego and St. Margaret Mary.

Scripture Readings  
For the Week of February 8, 2026

**Sunday**  
**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 58:7-10;  
Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9;  
1 Cor 2:1-5;  
Mt 5:13-16

**Monday**  
1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13;  
Ps 132:6-7, 8-10;  
Mk 6:53-56

**Tuesday**  
**Memorial of Saint Scholastica,  
Virgin**  
1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30;  
Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11;  
Mk 7:1-13

**Wednesday**  
1 Kings 10:1-10;  
Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40;  
Mk 7:14-23

**Thursday**  
1 Kings 11:4-13;  
Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40;  
Mk 7:24-30

**Friday**  
1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19;  
Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15;  
Mk 7:31-37

**Saturday**  
**Memorial of Saints Cyril, Monk and  
Methodius, Bishop**  
1 Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34;  
Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22;  
Mk 8:1-10

**Sunday**  
**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Sir 15:15-20;  
Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34;  
1 Cor 2:6-10;  
Mt 5:17-37 or Mt 5:20-22a, 27-28,  
33-34a, 37

# 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.



Presented by  
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# Valentine's Day Candy Sale



The Women's Club is once again having a Valentine's Day Fannie May Candy Bar Sale. Bars will be available before and after all masses the weekend of February 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>.

Bars will be sold for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 with a variety of flavors to choose from. Profits from the fund raiser, as always, will go to assist the parish.

Thanks for the continued support.  
The HVM Women's Club

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.

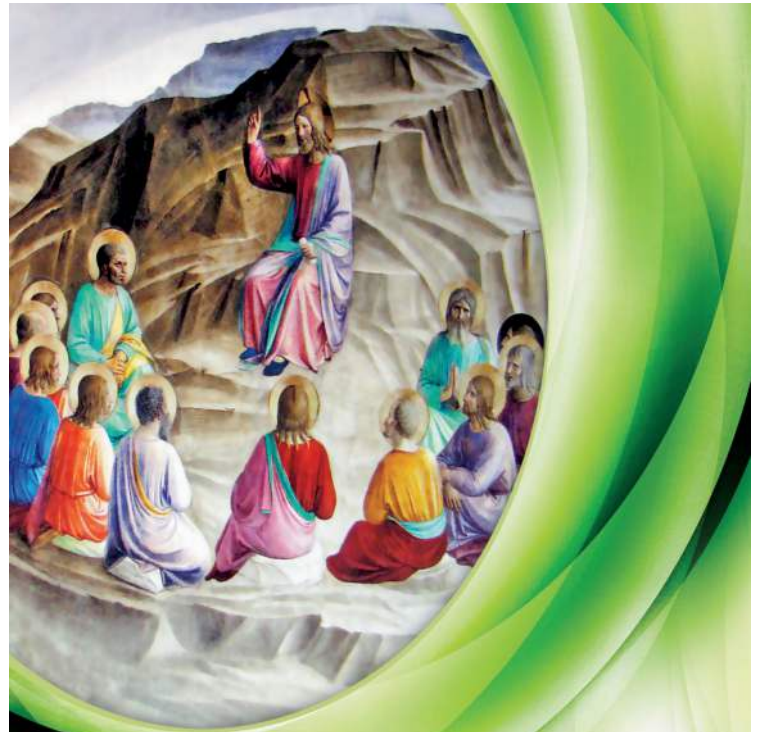
## Receive The Blessed Sacrament of Holy Communion

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](mailto:aryan2@primehealthcare.com).

## Music Notes

*Our Lady of Lourdes pray for Us!*



## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

*Matthew 5:16*



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