HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

MAY 24, 2026
PENTECOST SUNDAY

Rectory:
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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

On this Memorial Day weekend, I'd like to first welcome any visitors that we might have with us. I'm glad that you could be with us for Mass as part of your holiday weekend.

Every year on Memorial Day itself, the Catholic Cemeteries of the Chicago Archdiocese celebrate Masses on the grounds of each of their cemeteries. As we remember and honor the brave men and women who have sacrificed their lives for our country and our freedom, these cemetery Masses demonstrate our Church's belief in praying for the dead and offering the sacrifice of the Mass for them. The schedule of Memorial Day Cemetery Masses is posted at the exits of church, and on our parish website at hvmparish.org.

This weekend we close out the 50-day Easter season. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost, which is the 3rd highest feast day in the Church calendar, after only Easter and Christmas. Pentecost celebrates when Jesus fulfilled His promise to send the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, which, as a result, gave birth to the Church on earth. This is why we refer to Pentecost as the birthday of the Church.

The prayers in the Roman Missal that we use on any given feast day often beautifully express what we celebrate on that feast day. I'd like to share, then, one of the Mass prayers that is used on this Solemnity of Pentecost, as it really captures the significance of this event. There is a lot packed into this prayer, so I encourage you to reflect on it. The Preface Prayer for Pentecost says this:

"Bringing your Paschal Mystery to completion, you bestowed the Holy Spirit today on those you made your adopted children by uniting them to your Only Begotten Son. This same Spirit, as the Church came to birth, opened to all peoples the knowledge of God and brought together the many languages of the earth in profession of the one faith."

Beginning this weekend you can enroll names in our Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet. For a suggested donation of $10 per name, any names that you add will be printed in the bulletin on Father's Day weekend, and they will also be printed on posters that will be put on display at the front of church for all Masses on Father's Day weekend. The deadline to request names is Sunday, June 7th. Please remember that the names for the Spiritual Bouquet will <u>not</u> be read at the Masses (the names that are read at Mass are Mass intentions, and you can always request those at the rectory). Please also know that you can include names of anyone living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic. To enroll names, please visit the table at the back of church after Mass or contact the rectory.

Finally, I want to thank everyone who took part in my 25th ordination anniversary Mass and reception last weekend. The parishioners of St. Beatrice, St. Maria Goretti, and Holy Virgin Martyrs have been a huge part of my priesthood, and I am so grateful to all of you. And please know that if you gave me gifts, I will be sending thank-you cards, but it might take me a while!

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

Fr. Rob

Mass Intentions

Sunday—May 24th
9:30—Matthew O'Brien
Thomas Griffin
Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney
Raymond & Lena Gennetti
Edward Moskal
Maria Mele
Stanislaw Panek
Maria Zbylut
11:30—Marlene O'Brien
Rosemarie Gervais

Monday—May 25th
8:30—Carol Heidorn
Charles Wagner

Tuesday—May 26th
8:30—Clifford Iversen
Anthony & Marie Santa Lucia

Wednesday—May 27th
8:30—Marion Chrusciel—1 Year Anniversary
Joseph & Mary Traxler

Thursday—May 28th
8:30am—Mary Ann Pearch
William & Elaine Cyplick

Saturday—May 30th
4:30—Chris Benech
Tony Powyszynski
Paul Schwarck

Sunday—May 31st
9:30—Matthew O'Brien
Thomas Griffin
Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney
Rosemarie Gervais
11:30—Marlene O'Brien

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.

Music Notes

Come, Holy Spirit, Fill the Hearts of Your Faithful

May 30th & 31st	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Lector	Ellen Melnitzke	Don Kasper	Armando Mendoza
Communion Ministers	S. Schreiner C. Schreiner P. Cychosz	C. Fippinger N. Kent R. Kraft	A. Caccavari J. Traxler L. Alipio
Altar Servers	C. Widuch M. Widuch	S. Cychosz C. Fiore	O. Kucharczyk P. Kitlas G. Kitlas

Hypod Winner

May 18, 2026
$100 Winner—Joan Zavacki
Tickets are still available in the pamphlet rack in the back of church or from the Rectory during the week!

Week 6
$25 Winner
Brittany Norris—Ticket # 1211

Parish Support

Week of May 9th & 10th

Weekly	$4,693.18
Utilities	$70.00
Maintenance	$85.00
Catholic Charities	$931.00
Ascension	$49.00

MANY THANKS!

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

Women's Club Update

The Holy Virgin Martyrs Women's Club had its final meeting of the year on Thursday, May 7th beginning with the Rosary at 6:30. At the meeting, Sr. Victoria was asked to crown the Blessed Mother statue at the May Crowning at the 9:30 Mass on Mother's Day. Members were asked to attend this Mass and be part of the procession, presenting flowers to our Blessed Mother.

Elections were also held for two positions on the executive board. Heartfelt thanks to retiring officers, Dolly Joseph, 1st vice-president and Corrine Tedesco, secretary, for their years of service and hard work as board members. Congratulations to the newly elected officers; Marianne D'Amico, 1st vice-president and Karen Weichbrodt, secretary.

The club will be having their end of the year luncheon and officer installation on Saturday, June 6th, at the Great Escape Restaurant. Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses the weekend of May 23rd & 24th and May 30th & 31st. Tickets are $30.

Please watch the bulletin for future events and club updates.

Religious Education News

Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen
Phone: 847-671-6429 Email: religiousedcoordinator@outlook.com

Follow us on Facebook!

About Our Program

Our in person religious education classes meet twice a month either Tuesday evenings from 6:00—8:00pm or
Saturday mornings from 9:00—11:30am at the Wagner Street entrance of the religious education building. We also have a homeschool (e-learning) option available. We are committed to giving our students in grades K—8 the tools they need to grow and mature in their faith by:

- *Gathering for prayer every class*
- *Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent and Lent*
- *Encouraging faithful discipleship through the completion of Mass and service hours*
- *Through enrichment opportunities like The*
- *Seder Meal, Church Tours, and Teaching Masses*
- *Offering Opportunities for involvement in Mass by having our students read and bring up the gifts at our monthly Family Masses and by offering opportunities to join parish ministries like altar serving.*

Sacramental Information

The Religious Education program has a 2 year consecutive attendance requirement for the reception of the Sacraments of Communion and Confirmation. Confirmation is celebrated in 8th grade.
First Reconciliation & Communion are usually celebrated in 2nd grade; students in grades 3-7 who need to receive the Sacraments of first Reconciliation & Communion will be enrolled in the *Special Sacraments Class* in their second consecutive year of attendance in the religious education program. This is a separate class and meets one Saturday per month from 9-11am to prepare these students for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion.

Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet

Envelopes are available to enroll your fathers in our Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet. Please use one envelope for each name that you would like to add. The suggested donation is $10 per name. The names will be listed in the Father's Day bulletin and on posters placed in the front of church on Father's day. The names will not be individually read at the Masses, but there will be an intention for the names in the Spiritual bouquet. Cards are also available in the back of church if you would like to give the bouquet as a gift.

Pray For Those Who Are Sick:

Luz Alarcon
Fr. Ambrosio Arambula
Betty Bajzek
Dan Bailey
Char Banyai
Laura Biangini
Chrissy Biegos
Sonia Bonacci
Baby Girl Bosco
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
Melanie Hohmeier
Renee Iman
Vivian Jennings
Arlene Jurinek
Brian Kelly
Patti King
Bernice Kirchen
Joyce Knauss
Leonard Kuffer
Marguerite Kramer
Dan Latoria, Jr.
Mark Latoria
Joan Lester
Diahnne 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
Michelle Swigost
Sarah Tripoli
Jim Waterloo
Bernadetter Watson
Joan Weichbrodt
Jean Wesolowski
Nancy Wright
Isabella Yorty

Pray For Those In The Military

Sergeant Michael Bavone
Private Christopher Bavone
US Army PFC Matthew Gonzales
US Army Michael Gutierrez
First Lieutenant Justin Hunt,
USMC Major Michael Keaty
Gunnery Sergeant Osvaldo Rodriguez
USMC Kyle Ruth
USAF Staff Sergeant John J. Schreiner
HN Nathan Wrobbel US Navy
Omar Vee, Jr.

Readings For The Week

Scripture Readings
For the Week of May 24, 2026

Sunday	**Pentecost Sunday** Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23
Monday	**Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church** Gen 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday	**Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest** 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday	1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 10:32-45
Thursday	1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5; Mk 10:46-52
Friday	1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13; Mk 11:11-26
Saturday	Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6; Mk 11:27-33
Sunday	**Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity** Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

Knights of Columbus

Ave Maria Council
June Social Outing

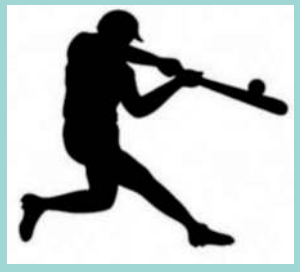
Everyone's invited to join us for a Fun Family evening

Chicago Dogs Game

Friday, June 12, 2026

Tickets @ $17

Free Chicago Dogs Hat with each ticket purchase



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