HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

AUGUST 23, 2026

THE 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

This weekend we have our annual Summer Mission Appeal, and I ask that you please welcome our Mission speaker, Fr. Savio Yerasani. If you missed last week's letter in the bulletin from Fr. Yerasani to our parish, there is another letter from him here below, which talks about how you can help those in need in his diocese of Nellore, India.

Please prayerfully consider how you can help. To donate, please use the white "Mission Cooperation Plan" envelopes that can be found on the bulletin racks. And as Fr. Yerasani specifies in his letter, if you donate by check, please make checks payable to Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish, and write "Diocese of Nellore, India Mission" in the memo line.

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

Fr. Rob

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
It is a blessing and joy for me to be with you this weekend and to share the mission of the Diocese of Nellore, India.
Our Diocese ministers among the poorest and most vulnerable people in South India through schools, boarding homes, seminaries, care centers for leprosy patients, homes for differently abled children, scholarships for poor students, and pastoral outreach to remote villages.
For many children, our boarding homes are their only opportunity for education and a brighter future. For leprosy patients abandoned by society, our rehabilitation centers become places of healing and dignity. For poor rural families, the Church often becomes their only source of hope and support.
Your prayers and generosity make this mission possible. When you support our mission, you help educate children, support seminarians, care for the sick and poor, and bring the Gospel to communities where Christ's love is deeply needed.
If you are interested in supporting our mission, please do so through your generous donations. You may donate by cash or by writing a check payable to **Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish**, and in the memo line please write: **"Diocese of Nellore, India Mission."** Donations may be placed in the collection basket on the day of the appeal or during the following weeks.
Together, we become one family in Christ united in faith, love, and service.
On behalf of the Diocese of Nellore, thank you for your prayers, kindness, and generous support.
May God bless you abundantly.
Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Savio Yerasani
Diocese of Nellore, India

Mass Intentions

Saturday—August 22nd
4:30—Chris Benesch
Angeline Abatangelo
Consetta Pistono
Howard Schmitz
Jimmy Hendrickson
Casey & Tony Powyszynski
Stanley & Konstanty Rozkocha
Henryka & Jozef Jamroz

Sunday—August 23rd
9:30—Joseph Pavone
Thomas Griffin
Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney
11:30—Nora Moore
Paul Kirchen
Deceased Members of Gervais Family

Monday—August 24th
8:30—Mary Ann Pearch
Joseph C. Stendebach

Tuesday—August 25th
8:30—Charles Wagner
Carol Heidorn

Wednesday—August 26th
8:30— Joseph & Mary Traxler

Thursday—August 27th
8:30am—Robert Cyplick

Saturday—August 29th
4:30—Chris Benesch
Eugene Rutkowski
Jimmy Hendrickson
Fr. Richard J. Kozak
Casey & Tony Powyszysnki
Jackie Granger

Sunday—August 30th
9:30—Thomas Griffin
Francine & Kraft Family
Gene Danhoffer
Wilbert & Betty Saathoff
Maria Mele
Raymond & Lena Gennetti
11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle
Deceased Members of Gervais Family

August 29th & 30th	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Lector	Karen Weichbrodt	Don Kasper	Zerlina Kirchen
Communion Ministers	P. Cychosz S. Schreiner C. Schreiner	C. Fippinger Sr. Victoria M. Morgan	A. Caccavari N. May J. Losurdo
Altar Servers	P. Cychosz C. Fiore	J. Hilton N. Gonzales	K. Lima L. Louis—Charles

Hypod Winner

August 10, 2026
$100 Winner—Noreen LaValle
August 17, 2026
$100 Winner—Daniel Savas
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 to be a gift bearer.

Parish Support

Week of August 8th & 9th

Weekly	$4,102.93
Utilities	$1,527.01
Maintenance	$165.00
Missionary Co-op	$5.00
Assumption	$10.00

MANY THANKS!

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

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A)

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.) is the process by which adults prepare to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church. The OCIA provides the opportunity to grow in the faith, supported by the community of Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish.
You begin with a period of Inquiry followed by weekly Mass attendance, study of the faith, practices and doctrines of the Catholic Church, which leads to your initiation through either Baptism or a Profession of Faith, and the reception of Eucharist and Confirmation.

If you are considering joining the Church, we would love to help you in your journey! Or, if you know of anyone who is considering joining, consider extending an invitation to them! Have questions, need additional information, not sure if you should participate? Contact the rectory at (847) 678-0138 or fill out and submit the candidate form by scanning the QR Code on this page.

Music

The **Black Madonna of Częstochowa,** also known as **Our Lady of Częstochowa** (Matka Boska Częstochowska) is a venerated icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Attested as early as the 14th century, the painting depicts Mary directing attention away from herself, gesturing with her right hand toward Jesus as the source of salvation. In turn, the child extends his right hand toward the viewer in blessing while holding a Book of Gospels in his left hand. The feast day of Our lady of Częstochowa is celebrated on August 26th.

Pray For Those Who Are Sick:

Luz Alarcon
Fr. Ambrosio Arambula
Betty Bajzek
Dan Bailey
Ken Bailey
Char Banyai
Laura Biangini
Chrissy Biegos
Sonia Bonacci
Baby Girl Bosco
Frank Bosco
Gus Campeotto
Phyllis DiBenedetto
Beatrice Giannone
Rose & Pat Glasso
Judy Golab
Karla Gosinski
Ruth Gosinski
Kathy Graziano
Howard Heidorn
Jose Herrera
Stacey Hinterlong-Bacha
Laura Gardeck & Jeff Hinz
Melanie Hohmeier
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
Nancy Piatek
Deacon Ron Pilarski
Gene Piltaver
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
Fr. Tom Unz
Bernadette Watson
Joan Weichbrodt
Jean Wesolowski
Reginald Wnek
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
USMC Second Lieutenant Thomas Wesolowski
HN Nathan Wrobbel US Navy
Omar Vee, Jr.

In Loving Memory

Rest in Peace
"It is a holy and wholesome thought that we pray for the dead," please remember:
Kenton Bailey
in your prayers.

Baptisms

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

***Amelia Michelle Sziel**, child of Jacob Sziel and Deanna Palella*

***Grayson Izquierdo**, child of Ernesto Izquierdo and Debbie Hernando*

Receive The Blessed Sacrament of Holy Communion

HVM Ministers of Care
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who are Homebound or Sick.
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either by leaving a message at the rectory
or by email aryan2@primehealthcare.com.

Religious Education News

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

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Mark Your Calendars!

Open House

Join us on Tuesday, August 25th from 6:00-7:30pm and Saturday, August 29th from 9:00-10:30am 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 22nd and Saturday, September 26th. Homeschool Lessons begin on Tuesday, October 6th.

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 Tuesday, September 8th from 4:30-7:30pm or Saturday, September 12th 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

Tuesday, September 1st 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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