HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Rectory:
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Zerlina Kirchen, Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation
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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

Happy Labor Day Weekend! As we close out the summer, I hope that you're able to enjoy this holiday weekend.

This month, several things will be starting up again at the parish. One of those is our Religious Education (RE) program. Classes will begin in a couple of weeks, and now is the time to register your children. We offer classes on Tuesday nights or Saturday mornings (your choice) for grades K-8. We also offer a homeschool option. Registration will take place in the RE building this Tuesday, Sep. 9 from 4:30-7:30pm, and this Saturday, Sep. 12 from 10am-12pm.

For adults, our classes for the OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin next Sunday, Sep. 13. The OCIA is for adults who seek to become full members of the Catholic Church through Baptism (if needed), Eucharist, and Confirmation. If you are interested, please contact the rectory at 847-678-0138 or hvm-parish@outlook.com right away. You can also fill out an inquiry form on our website at www.hvmparish.org/becoming-catholic-ocia.

And this is the final weekend to purchase Football Mania (FM) tickets. Every FM ticket gives you 18 chances to win a cash prize – one chance for each week of the NFL regular season. Tickets are $20 each, and the prizes range from $25-$400. You can buy FM tickets at the Masses this weekend, but this Sunday, Sep. 6 is the final day to buy them.

Finally, this coming Friday marks the 25th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of Sep. 11th, 2001. For those of us who remember that day, it probably feels like it happened just yesterday, as you can likely remember where you were when you heard the news of the attacks. As our nation observes this solemn anniversary, I'd like to share a 9/11 prayer from Pope Benedict XVI, which he prayed when he visited Ground Zero in New York in 2008:

"God of understanding, overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy, we seek Your light and guidance. Grant that those whose lives were spared may live so that the lives lost here may not have been lost in vain. Comfort and console us, strengthen us in hope, and give us the wisdom and courage to work tirelessly for a world where true peace and love reign among nations and in the hearts of all."

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

Fr. Rob

Mass Intentions

Saturday—September 5th
4:30—Patty Reichard
Bob & Linda Schultz
Vito Ciaccia
Julie Parkinson
Rocco Molinari
Chris Benesch
Grandparents Sliz
Jimmy Hendrickson
Casey & Tony Powyszynski

Sunday—September 6th
9:30—Thomas Griffin
Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney
James Florio Family
Ken Zech
11:30—Jo-Ann Willmes
Deceased Members Piotrowski & Pultorak Families
Deceased Members of Gervais Family

Monday—September 7th
8:30—Carol Heidorn
Alice Danhoffer

Tuesday—September 8th
8:30—Charles Wagner
Joseph & Mary Traxler

Wednesday—September 9th
8:30—Mary Ann Pearch

Thursday—September 10th
8:30—Jackie Vieceli

Saturday—September 12th
4:30—Chris Benesch
Jackie Granger
John Kalamarie
Biaggio Trobatore
Grandparents Bak
Jimmy Hendrickson
Casey & Tony Powyszynski
Baby Daniel Czajkowski

Sunday—September 13th
9:30—Thomas Griffin
Holy Souls in Purgatory
Arlene Slifka
Francine Cipriano & Colleen Maloney
Virgilio Mayol
Roger Louis—Charles
Kevin Cyplick
Raymond & Lena Gennetii
Felix Soto
Felipa Gonzales
Bienvenida Cacaeres
Enrique & Paula Gonzales
11:30—Moses Diaz
Deceased Members of Gervais Family

September 12th & 13th	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Lector	Char Fiore	Donna Rae Siekierski	Lynn Louis—Charles
Communion Ministers	W. Bernacki K. Weichbrodt E. Melnitzke	N. Figueroa M. Morgan Sr. Victoria	L. Alipio J. Losurdo J. Traxler
Altar Servers	L. Trischan D. Tajstryk	S. LoCascio N. LoCascio	L. Louis—Charles J. Mack

Hypod Winner

August 31, 2026

$500 Winner—Nick Irsuto

$100 Winner—Isidro Zurita

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

Music

If Today
You Hear His voice,
Harden Not Your Hearts

Parish Support

Week of August 22nd & 23rd

Weekly	$3,604.40
Utilities	$30.00
Maintenance	$35.00
Missionary Co-op	$2,312.11
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Seminary	$20.00

MANY THANKS!

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

Second Collections

Our second collection for September 13th is for Utilities, please be as generous as you can.

JOIN THE MUSIC MINISTRY

Adult Choir

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. The 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

The 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.

Please stop by and say hello after any Mass on September 5th & 6th or 12th & 13th, there will be sign-up sheets available on the piano. Or for more information please see Richard Gersten, Music Director after any Mass or contact him at atenorsart@sbcglobal.net

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
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.

Readings For The Week

Scripture Readings
For the Week of September 6, 2026

Sunday	**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time** Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20
Monday	1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday	**Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or Mt 1:18-23
Wednesday	**Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest** 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Friday	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday	**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Sir 27:30-28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

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.

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.

Religious Education News

Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen
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Mark Your Calendars!

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 WOMEN'S CLUB
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE 2026 – 2027

The Holy Virgin Martyrs Women's Club will be holding its 2026-2027 membership drive the weekends of August 15 & 16, August 22 & 23, and August 29 & 30, after all masses. Women's Club officers will be at the back of the church to accept membership with annual dues remaining at $10 per year.

Monthly meetings are scheduled on the first Thursday of the month beginning with the Rosary at 6:30. Meetings are held in Hendle Hall.

If paying by check, please make your check payable to HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS PARISH and include Women's Club on the memo line to ensure that your membership is properly recorded.

As always, thank you for your continued support and membership in our organization.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

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Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Birthdate (Month/Date) _____

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