HOLY VIRGIN MARTYRS

St. Beatrice and St. Maria Goretti Parish

THE 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 4, 2026

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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 Sunday, at our 11:30am Mass, we will have our annual Blessing of Catechists. Our Rel. Ed. catechists and aides are all generous volunteers who teach and model the Catholic faith to children in grades K-8. I am very grateful for their dedication to this important ministry. Their names are listed in this week's bulletin. I am happy to ask for God's blessing upon all our catechists and aides.

Also at the 11:30am Mass, we will bless our O.C.I.A. catechist, Mirusia Michalowski. Mirusia volunteers in teaching the faith to adults who are preparing to receive the sacraments of initiation at Easter and become full members of the Catholic Church. And in addition to receiving a blessing, Mirusia will also be receiving another very special thing today – the Christifidelis Award.

You see, every year pastors around the Archdiocese nominate parishioners in their parishes to receive the Christifidelis (CF) Award, which is given to those who have demonstrated outstanding service. This year's winner for HVM Parish is Mirusia Michalowski. This Sunday afternoon, at Holy Name Cathedral, all the CF winners will be presented with their awards by Cardinal Cupich and their respective auxiliary bishops (for our Vicariate, this is Bishop Maldanado).

I am happy to nominate Mirusia for this year's award, as she has been an active parishioner for many years. Among her many contributions, her most significant one is that she has been the director of our O.C.I.A. ministry for over ten years, and she has done an amazing job in that capacity, touching the lives of many candidates. Mirusia has also served as a Parish Council member, an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and a volunteer for our Potluck dinner. She has very generously supported the mission of our parish through her time, talent, and treasure. Congratulations, Mirusia!

On another note, I would like to remind all our altar servers that there are two **mandatory altar server re-training sessions** this week. We are offering two sessions to try to accommodate people's schedules, but you only need to attend <u>one</u> of the sessions, both of which will be held in church. The sessions will be this Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 7:00pm, and this Saturday, Oct. 10 at 1:00pm. Please plan to attend one.

And an FYI to everyone else, at some point in the future we will offer training sessions for <u>new</u> altar servers, as we can always benefit from having more servers. Altar serving is open to children and adults, as long as you have made your First Holy Communion.

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

Fr. Rob

Women's Club Pasta Dinner

The women's club will be hosting its annual PASTA DINNER & RAFFLE on Saturday, October 17th at Hendle Hall. Ticket sales will begin the weekend of September 26 & 27at the back of church. The meal is once again being catered by Cuomo Catering, and includes baked rigatoni, meatballs and sausage, bread, and garden salad. Desserts and open bar are also included in the cost. The ticket price is $20 for adults, $15 children 5-10 years old, and under 4 free.

Mass Intentions

Saturday—October 3rd
4:30—Vito Ciaccia
Antoinette Pawlowski
Chris Benesch
William & Janet Couter
Patricia Rutkowski
Casey & Tony Powyszynski
Tatiana Herrera

Sunday—October 4th
9:30—Thomas Griffin
Francine & Kraft Family
James Florio Family
Clifford Robertson
Irene Moskal DelGiudice
Gus Campeotto
50th Wedding Anniversary Rae & Ron Maslana
Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
11:30—Matthew & Ida Hendle
Kevin P. O'Neill
Nikola M.

Monday—October 5th
8:30—Carol Heidorn

Tuesday—October 6th
8:30—Gus Campeotto

Wednesday—October 7th
8:30—Charles Wagner
Alice Danhoffer

Thursday—October 8th
8:30—Joseph & Mary Traxler

Saturday—October 10th
4:30—Chris Benesch
Mary Schmitz
Casey & Tony Powyszynski
Kasprzak Family
Gus Campeotto

Sunday—October 11th
9:30—Thomas Griffin
Holy Souls In Purgatory
Roger Louis—Charles
Raymond & Lena Gennetti
Gus Campeotto
Irene Moskal DelGiudice
Peter Albanese, Sr.
11:30—Deceased Members of Piotrowski & Pultorak Families

Veterans Day Spiritual Bouquet

Beginning next weekend you can enroll the names of veterans in our Veterans 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 bulletin and posters will be placed in the front of church the weekend of November 7th & 8th. 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.

October 10th & 11th	4:30pm	9:30am	11:30am
Lector	Karen Weichbrodt	Sandra Cervantes	Bobby Lima
Communion Ministers	P. Cychosz N. Davoli C. McLean	R. Klug M. Morgan Sr. Victoria	A. Caccavari J. Losurdo L. Alipio
Altar Servers	C. Widuch M. Widuch	S. Cychosz C. Fiore	L. Louis—Charles K. Lima

Music

O God Beyond All Praising

From The Parish Nurse...

It's that time of year again
to protect yourself against the flu.

As a reminder, the CDC recommends that everyone 6 months of age and older, with rare exceptions, receive an updated 2026-2027 flu vaccine to reduce the risk of influenza and its potentially serious complications.

Flu Shots will be offered this season at no cost in the gathering room at the back of church on Tuesday, October 6, 2026 from 9:00-10:30 am. The Standard Flu Vaccine and the Flu Vaccine recommended for People 65 years and Older will be available. Everyone should receive a flu vaccine suitable for their health status and age.

If interested, please call the rectory to reserve your vaccine by giving your name and which version of the flu vaccine you wish to receive in order to make sure that there is enough supply for those who want to receive the vaccine.

For anyone who is homebound and wishes to receive the flu vaccine, please call the rectory to provide your information so that I may contact you and make arrangements.

Blessings and Health to You,
Anne (Nancy) Ryan, RN
Faith Community Nurse
Resurrection Medical Center,
A member of Prime Healthcare

Parish Support

Week of September 12th & 13th

Weekly	$3,523.00
Utilities	$30.00
Maintenance	$15.00
Assumption	$5.00

MANY THANKS!

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

Second Collections

Our second collection for October 11th is for Utilities

Please be as generous as you can.

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Week 2
$20 Winner
Mary Kolodziej—Ticket # 2032

Hypod Winner

September 28, 2026
$500 Winner—Juan Acevedo
$100 Winner—Edwin Samp
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.

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
Chey Cesario
Phyllis DiBenedetto
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
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.

Readings For The Week

Scripture Readings
For the Week of October 4, 2026

Sunday	**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43
Monday	Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday	Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday	**Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary** *Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4*
Thursday	Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 11:5-13
Friday	Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday	Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday	**Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or Mt 22:1-10

Commemorate the Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima

All are welcome to join us on
Saturday, October 10th at 12 Noon
at Clocktower Park
9501 W. Irving Park Road
(corner of Irving Park and Wesley Terrace)
as we pray the Holy Rosary to commemorate the
anniversary of the apparition of the
Blessed Virgin Mary to
three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal.
Parking is available across the street
next to the Municipal Building.

Religious Education News

Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation: Ms. Zerlina Kirchen
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Thank You!

This Sunday, we will celebrate our First Family Mass.
At this Mass we will commission our catechists and aides,
I would like to thank them for generously sharing their time, talent, and treasure
with our students and our religious education program!

Kindergarten
Catechists:
Paula Cychosz—Tuesdays & Saturdays
Aides:
Sean Cychosz—Tuesdays
Kaylie Slezewski—Saturdays

First Grade
Catechists:
Lisa Piekarz—Tuesdays
Veronica Chaidez—Saturdays
Aides:
Giorgia Walker—Tuesdays
Andy Caccavari—Saturdays

Second Grade
Catechists:
Ilda Benesch—Tuesdays
Sandy Herrera—Saturdays
Aides:
JoAnn Losurdo—Tuesdays
Lisa Slobodzian—Saturdays

Third Grade
Catechists:
Bob Kutella—Tuesdays
Elizabeth Ciaccia-Lezza—Saturdays

Third Grade
Aides:
Pam Barnes—Tuesdays
Miriama Kisiel—Saturdays

Fourth Grade
Catechists & Aides:
Tuesdays and Saturdays
Cathy Schreiner
Steve Schreiner

Fifth Grade
Catechists:
Andrea Del Zotti—Tuesdays
Alma Montenegro—Saturdays
Aides:
Stephanie Fiore—Tuesdays
Loredana Puccio—Saturdays

Sixth Grade
Catechists:
Brittany Norris—Tuesdays
Betty Hicks—Saturdays
Aides:
Nancy Davoli—Tuesdays
Elizabeth Piotrowski—Saturdays

Seventh Grade
Catechists:
Gerardo Porras—Tuesdays
Bernice Kirchen—Saturdays
Aides:
Miriam Porras—Tuesdays
Sue Chrabaszcz—Saturdays

Eighth Grade
Catechists:
Vito Ippolito—Tuesdays & Saturdays
Aides:
Corrine Tedesco—Tuesdays

Special Sacraments
Catechist:
Bernice Kirchen

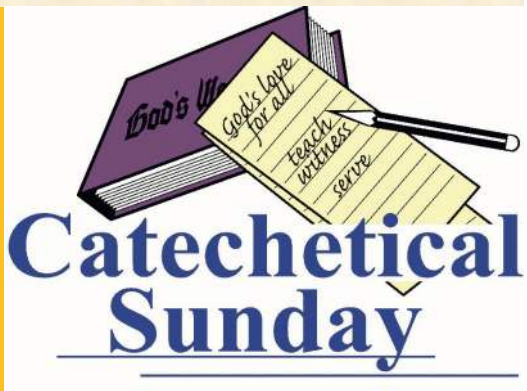
Office Aides:
Theresa Powyszynski—Tuesdays
Debra McGrath—Saturdays

Congratulations

I would like to congratulate our staff members who are celebrating anniversaries this year:

5 years:
Sue Chrabaszcz, Paula Cychosz, Nancy Davoli, and Cathy Schreiner

10 Years:
Lisa Slobodzian



Catechetical Sunday

Today we are remembering our faithful departed members of Knights of Columbus, Ave Maria Council. Remembering these dedicated friends who have contributed so significantly to Holy Virgin Martyrs Parish, their community, and our beloved country. Bringing life the gospel through to the four core principles of the Knights of Columbus - Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

The Lord will open to you my brother Knights the gates of paradise, where there is no death, only lasting joy.

Deceased Members of Ave Maria, Knights of Columbus Council #4456

C.C. O'Neill
Dr. E.W. Kart
Michael Kapusta
George Glowicki
Anthony Walsh
Thor Olsen
Rev. M. Rauth
R.E. Kozuchowski
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Kelly Gilio
Joseph Wagner
Frank Jelen
Alfred Ryndak
Edward Vonesh
Bernard Villinski
Albert Onesto
Richard Palmer
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Edward Pruchniak
Albert Bradtke
Andrew Dubas
James Del Giudice
Richard Hagle

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Kermit Huelskamp
Leonard Novak
William Samp
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Edwin Kowalski
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Vincent Rundgren
Andrew Pickert
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Larry Hofbauer
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Sal Romano
Eugene Danhoffer
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Walter Wietecha
James Muscarello
Peter Tutak, Jr.
Chester Bablo PGK,
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John (Jack) Knauss
Fred Toth
Joseph Dziadus
John Hartnett
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