



# Mother of Perpetual Help Parish

WEST ALLIS, WISCONSIN

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • SEPTEMBER 8, 2024



## 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and First Saturdays

**SCHOOL YEAR WEEKDAY MASS:**  
Tuesdays 8:00 am (MPH West)

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### Prayers

We extend our sympathy to the families of the following people who have died. May they rest in peace and be risen to eternal glory!

**Agnes Rubanka**  
**Joyce Hetznecker**  
**Mary Dusick**



### MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The Sacred Heart Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month  
**In Loving Memory of the William Rebholz Family**

The Mary Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month  
**For the Living and Deceased Members of the Ferd and Arlene Haever's Family**

## MASS INTENTIONS



### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024**

**8:00 AM † Beth Varela (East Site)**

**4:00 PM James Rebholz (West Site)**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024**

**8:30 AM † Jim Moscicki (East Site)**

**10:30 AM † Jerri Lynn Zubarik (East Site)**

**7:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of our Parish (East Site)**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024**

**8:00 AM † Darlene Roster (East Site)**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024**

**8:00 AM † Harry Mushall (West Site)**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2024**

**8:00 AM † John Schendzielos (East Site)**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024**

**8:00 AM † Patti Bennetts (East Site)**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024**

**4:00 PM † Robert Doren (West Site)**

### Celebrating the Sacraments

**Baptism** call the parish office to register for Baptism.  
**Reconciliation (Confession)** is celebrated on the First Saturday of the month at 8:30 am and on Wednesdays and Fridays after the 8:00 am Mass.

**Anointing of the Sick** Will be celebrated the last weekend of the month after all Masses. Also, you may request anointing by calling the pastor or the parish office.

**Weddings** Please call the Parish office to make arrangements no later than 6 months prior to your anticipated date.



## REFLECTIONS FROM FR. MATTHEW

### “Ephphatha!”- that is, Be Opened!” (Mark 7:31-37)

In today’s gospel, people bring to Jesus a man with a hearing and speech impediment and beg him to lay his hands on him. Jesus takes the man away from the crowd, touches the man’s ears and tongue, and pronounces a word in Aramaic: “Ephphata!” – that is ‘Be Opened.’ We hear these words in the Rite of Baptism, as the celebrant blesses the ears and mouth to be open and able to receive and preach the Word of God. Baptism is the sacrament of salvation, opening the way once closed by sin. We follow the pattern of Jesus’ healing today with our sacraments, using not only words but also physical touch, and the tangible signs of oil, water, bread and wine, which have power to transform our lives. Through Jesus’ power the man’s ears are opened and his speech becomes clear.

Jesus’s healing work often involves opening what is closed. We hear in our first reading from Isaiah the prophesy of how the Messiah will restore creation to the wholeness God intended for it. *“The eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared.”* The prophet preaches a truth that frankly can be difficult to believe at times: that God will transform our hurting, broken world. We are blessed to live in this Messianic age when the Lord opens our eyes and ears to see him and listen to him believing that God will make all things whole again.

The physical ability to hear is not necessary for such an encounter with Christ; nor is the physical ability to speak necessary to proclaim the word of God. It is openness of mind, heart and spirit to the breath of God within and without, and the willingness to respond wholeheartedly that are essential. In the second reading from the letter of James, it is clear that openness to God also results in our openness to others, especially those who are poor, and the most vulnerable. There should be no partiality, he says, because God shows no partiality.

Today’s healing miracle in the gospel is a great lesson for us. Jesus tells us to be open to God’s calling, to the work of healing, to caring for our neighbor in need.

## Year of Mission – Eucharistic Revival

*What does receiving the  
Eucharist mean for us?*



Receiving the Eucharist is meant to change us. Entering into communion with Jesus is meant to make us increasingly like him—to see how he sees, to think how he thinks, and to love how he loves; receiving the Eucharist empowers us to live supernaturally; being in union with Jesus in the Eucharist imparts new responsibilities for how we live, especially in our relationships.

*“Those who choose to stay with Jesus will be sent by Jesus....Let us go to proclaim Jesus zealously and joyfully for the life of the world.”*

*Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle*

*The International Society of the Eucharist Presents*

## Those Who BELIEVE Don’t Leave



A Virtual Event with Matthew Kelly

SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

Please join us at the 106<sup>th</sup> St. Church  
Rosary and Evening Prayer begin at  
**6:15 pm**

Live Streamed event begins at **7:00 pm.**  
*Join us for any or all of the evening events.*

Matthew Kelly’s new book will be raffled off at the event.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Readings for the week of September 8, 2024

- Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/  
Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
- Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and  
9b/Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday: 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: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37,  
38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
- Next Sunday: Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9  
(9)/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35



*Happy Birthday Mother Mary*

*Thank you for accepting God's will  
to be the mother of our Redeemer,  
the most sorrowful mother.*



The Catholic Church celebrates today the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on its traditional fixed date of September 8, nine months after the December 8 celebration of her Immaculate Conception as the child of Saints Joachim and Anne.

## ATTENTION SENIORS

Our first meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 17th**. Doors open at 11:00 am. More information to follow. Hope to see you there!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Director: Sr. Vita Lobo, SJT 414-595-7052  
[faith@mphwa.org](mailto:faith@mphwa.org)

**Welcome!**

**Our Faith Formation Journey begins this month. If you haven't registered, still come and attend the class and we can register right away.**

September Classes are:

**Sunday, September 8**

**Sunday, September 15**

**Sunday, September 22**



## Register Now!

### 2024 Women of Christ Conference

All women are invited to celebrate the beauty of their Catholic faith at the annual **Women of Christ Conference on Saturday, November 16**, at the **Brookfield Conference Center** at 325 S. Moorland Road across from Brookfield Square.



The theme of this year's conference is: **Hail, Full of Grace**. Join us as we unpack the astonishing richness of Mary as Virgin, Bride and Mother. Come for a day of joy and camaraderie and be renewed and fortified in your faith!

Take encouragement from dynamic speakers — Dr. Edward Sri, Sr. Mary Rachel Capets, OP, Fr. Michael Joseph Paris, OCD, Fr. Patrick Magnor, and Mary Magnor as MC. Take part in confession and Adoration and shop the vendor market for the perfect Christmas gifts. The day concludes with Vigil Mass celebrated by Archbishop Jerome ListECKi. To register, contact your parish liaison or go to [www.womenofchrist.net](http://www.womenofchrist.net).

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### SUNDAY, September 8, 2024

9:15 AM Faith Formation Classes - All PC, Gym, ND (106 St.)

### MONDAY, September 9, 2024

8:45 AM New Human Life Writers Mtg. - ND (106 St.)  
9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)  
6:30 PM Pastoral Council Meeting - ND (106 St.)  
6:45 PM Evening Prayer - Church (106 St.)

### TUESDAY, September 10, 2024

9:00 AM Sandwich Ministry - Ki (106 St.)  
12:00 Noon Stock Box Distribution - Ki (106 St.)  
1:00 PM Christian Women Mtg. - ND (106 St.)  
5:30 PM PEC Meeting - ND (106 St.)  
6:45 PM Evening Prayer & Rosary - Church (106 St.)

### WEDNESDAY, September 11, 2024

8:45 AM Scripture Study - ND (106 St.)  
9:00 AM MPH Helping Hands - BH (116 St.)  
9-11 AM MPH Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)  
9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)  
1:00 PM Book Discussion "Love of Thousands" - BH (116 St.)  
2:30 PM Senior Ministry - ND (106 St.)  
5:30 PM Human Concerns - ND (106 St.)  
6:15 PM Rosary & Evening Prayer - Church (106 St.)  
7:00 PM Virtual event with Matthew Kelly - Church (106 St.)

### THURSDAY, September 12, 2024

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Church (106 St.)  
6:45 PM Evening Prayer - Church (106 St.)

### FRIDAY, September 13, 2024

6:45 PM Evening Prayer and Chaplet of Divine Mercy - Church (106 St.)

### SATURDAY, September 14, 2024

7:00 AM Men's Scripture Study - BH (116 St.)  
8:30 AM SVDP Meeting - BH (116 St.)  
9:30-11:30 AM MPH Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)  
9:30 AM Pickleball - Gym (106 St.)

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## HUMAN CONCERNS/OUTREACH

Director: Kathy Smith 414-453-5192 ext. 125  
Kathy@mphwa.org.

**REVERSE COLLECTION  
SEPTEMBER**

**CLEANING PRODUCTS**

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**FRESH GARDEN PRODUCE OR BAGS OF  
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Wed. 8:30-11AM or Sat. 8:30-11:30 AM

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**Thank you for all the donations in August!**

## MQSCA SCHOOL



Principal: Nick Lee 414-476-0751  
leen@mqscateacher.org

MQSCA is hosting SAFE Environment Training at MQSCA on September 11th at 6:00 pm. Please see the Archdiocese website for more information.

<https://www.archmil.org/ArchdioceseEvents/Safe-Environment-Education---IN-PERSON-2024-08-07T084025500.htm?returnURL=%2foffices%2fsafeguarding%2fSafeguarding-Events.htm%3fDate%3d2024-9-1%26DateRange%3dmonth%26Keyword%3d%26Classifications%3d%26Date=2024-09-11T18:00>



### CHRISTIAN WOMEN

The Christian Women are having their next meeting on **Tuesday, September 10th** with an Ice Cream Social in the Notre Dame Room at 1:00 PM

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



### SANDWICH MINISTRY

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month

8:45 AM until done ☺

Volunteers make 300+ sandwiches once a month for Guest House Milwaukee

Help needed for sandwich making, ordering and picking up food

Contact Kathy Smith [kathy@mphwa.org](mailto:kathy@mphwa.org)  
414-453-5192 x125

**MPH FOOD PANTRY**  
Wednesdays 8:30-11:00 AM  
&/or

**Saturdays 8:30-11:30 AM**

Volunteers pack grocery bags, stock shelves and help clients take their bags to their vehicles

Contact Kathy Smith (see above)



### St. Ben's Community Meal

**SEPTEMBER dates:**

**Serving: Monday, Sept., 16, 4pm carpool  
Sandwich Making/Bagging Thursdays the 19th &  
26th at 8AM at 106th Kitchen**

**Food Delivery Thursdays 8-9:30 AM or  
2-3:00 PM to 106th Kitchen**

**Contact Kathy: to donate/serve**

**Questions/volunteer:**

Kathy Smith 414-453-5192x125 or [kathy@mphwa.org](mailto:kathy@mphwa.org)  
Blessings to all who help with this ministry!

## PICKLEBALL Fun and Fellowship

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14  
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**AT 106TH ST PARISH CENTER GYM  
2322 S 106th Street, West Allis, WI**

### Annual Jubilee Celebration

**October 5, 2024**

All couples celebrating their 25th (silver) anniversary, 50th (golden) anniversary, and couples married over 50 years are invited to our annual Jubilee Mass on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Waukesha. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Jeffrey Haines, and a photo opportunity and cake reception will follow. The event is free, but registration is required: <https://archmil.regfox.com/jubilee-celebration-2024>.

### Respect Life Church Hall Meeting

**Saturday, September 28, 2024**

**9:00 am to 11:00 am**

**St. Mary Visitation Catholic Church  
1260 Church St, Elm Grove WI 53122**

All are welcome, and there is no charge to attend.

**Registration is requested at <https://qrco.de/bfJFi9>**

*Optional: Attend St. Mary's 8:00 am Mass,  
with the Sacrament of Reconciliation after Mass.*

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