



# Mother of Perpetual Help Parish

WEST ALLIS, WISCONSIN

The Holy Family • December 29, 2024



## THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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**Saturday:** 4:00 pm (MPH West)  
**Sunday:** 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 7:00 pm (MPH East)  
**Weekdays:** 8:00 am (MPH East)  
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**SCHOOL YEAR WEEKDAY MASS:**  
Tuesdays 8:00 am (MPH West)

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## JUBILEE YEAR 2025



The Holy Catholic Church celebrates the **Jubilee Year 2025** with the opening of the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica by Pope Francis on December 24<sup>th</sup>, the eve of Christmas. The doors represent the passage to salvation Jesus opened to humanity. A jubilee year, also known as a "holy

year," is a special year in the life of the church currently celebrated every 25 years.

The theme of the Holy Year is "**Pilgrims of Hope.**" In announcing the year of Jubilee, Pope Francis stated, "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision." In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring. May the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope. God's word helps us find reasons for that hope.

For our parish, may the Jubilee be a moment of genuine, personal encounter with the Lord **Jesus, the 'door' ... of our salvation**, whom the Church is charged to proclaim always, everywhere and to all as 'our hope.'

## MASS INTENTIONS

### The Holy Family

#### SATURDAY, December 28, 2024

4:00 PM † Robert Ullerich (West Site)

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024

8:30 AM † Ralph Dolata (East Site)

10:30 AM Living and Deceased Members of our Parish (East Site)

7:00 PM Rebecca Matthews and Family (East Site)

#### MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2024

8:00 AM † Michael Kromrey (East Site)

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2024

#### Vigil: Feast of Mary, Mother of God

4:00 PM † Michael Kuchar (West Site)

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025

#### Feast of Mary, Mother of God

8:30 AM † Joyce Hetznecker (East Site)

#### FIRST FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2025

8:00 AM † Nancy and † Keith Faber (East Site)

#### FIRST SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2025

8:30 AM † Beth Varela (East Site)

4:00 PM † Michael Iannantuoni (West Site)

## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The Sacred Heart Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month

**In Loving Memory of  
Robert and Art Stueck**

The Mary Votive Light at 116th St. Site is burning this month

**In Loving Memory of Thomas J. Brown**

The Mary Candles at 106th St. are burning this month

**In Loving Memory of Thomas Kelleher  
and Mike Kelleher**

**And  
In Loving Memory of  
Giuseppe and Josephine Orlando**



## REFLECTIONS FROM FR. MATTHEW

### The Feast of the Holy Family

The Feast of the Holy Family offers us a chance to reflect on the values that strengthen our families. By looking at the examples of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we learn about respect, love, and finding our place in God's family. These reflections help us understand how to live these virtues in our daily lives and grow closer to God.

The Holy Family is unique. There is only one. Yet their holiness is a model for all families. We are all called to be holy families: in our homes, in our parish, and in our communities. Let us consider the ways in which this family was founded. Mary founded this family by her *yes to God*, her faithful acceptance of God's will. The Holy Family reminds us of our place in God's family. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph show us the importance of family bonds. Jesus grew in wisdom by understanding His place in His Father's house. We are also called to find our place in God's family. It might not always be what we want, but through prayer and discernment, we can understand God's will for us.

The Holy Family is marked by **trust in God's revelation**. Like Mary, Joseph received divine counsel in a dream and he heeds the angelic advice. He showed great courage, not only in going against human understanding and marrying Mary despite her pregnancy, but also in taking his family out of their home and to a foreign country. Parents, filled with love, often express God's care to their family by going to great lengths to protect them.

The Holy Family is marked by **reliance on God's Providence**. Mary and Joseph did not know what was to be, only that they were accepting a piercing task: to raise a child who was the glory of Israel and a sign to be contradicted. Yet they received these words with amazement and proceeded to raise the Christ child in faith and in love. Similarly, we too, enter into marriage, family, or a religious community without knowing fully how our lives will unfold. Yet we are given the invitation to commit ourselves to God's work – just as Jesus was presented in the temple. Even though we do not know the joys and sorrows we will face in this life, we can cling to the source of light and peace, in whom joy is unending. May we trust in God's presence and Providence, not just like the Holy Family but also with the Holy Family.



## Feast of Mary Mother of God A Holy Day of obligation

**Tuesday, December 31, 2024**  
**4:00 pm Mass** (106<sup>th</sup> Street site)

**Wednesday, January 1, 2025**  
**8:30 am Mass** (106<sup>th</sup> Street site)

## EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The Holy Family serves as a model for Christian family life, mirroring the unity and love found in the Eucharist.

***"Christ chose to be born and grow up in the bosom of the holy family of Joseph and Mary. The church is nothing other than 'the family of God.' – Catholic Digest***



### Meet Our New Bookkeeper Kari Utzerath

Kari comes to us from St. Vincent Pallotti Parish and School where she has been serving as their Bookkeeper for the past 6 years. She will be splitting her time between Mother of Perpetual Help and SVP.

She enjoys spending time with her family camping and traveling, creating fiber art, and reading. She also volunteers with Girl Scouts in various roles.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Readings for the week of December 29, 2024

**Sunday:** 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10  
(see a)/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

**Monday:** 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/  
Lk 2:36-40

**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

**Wednesday:** Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8  
(2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab,  
3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

**Friday:** 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4,  
5-6/Jn 1:29-34

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/  
Jn 1:35-42

**Next Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13  
(see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12





## The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our  
brother, and the flame  
of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the  
blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.



May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the  
Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both  
humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

## SENIOR MINISTRY

**Director: Sr. Lincy Augustine, SJT**  
[pastoral@mphwa.org](mailto:pastoral@mphwa.org)

### Your Kindness Appreciated

"The act of baking, packing and delivering a batch of Christmas cookies carries so much more than just a treat – it's a reminder that we are remembered, valued, and loved. Thank you for spreading this beautiful spirit of giving and for making this Christmas a little brighter for us. Your generosity is a shining example of the true meaning of the season. You've brought comfort and joy to us who otherwise feel alone often."

*From one of the homebound parishioners*

**We invite you to join our Pickleball event  
on Saturday, January 11th, 10-12 Noon  
at the Parish Center gym.**

All ages and skill levels are welcome!  
If you have any questions please contact  
Don Pederson (414) 418-4141.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Director: Sr. Vita Lobo, SJT 414-595-7052**  
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### Consecration to the Holy Family

O Lord Jesus Christ, you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph of Nazareth, There you advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. Bless our homes with wisdom and understanding, love and peace.

O Blessed Virgin Mary, you nurtured Jesus as an infant and never stopped caring for Him. Pray for us! O Saint Joseph, as foster father to Jesus and husband to Mary, you worked as a carpenter to provide for them. Pray for us! O Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I consecrate my family to you. May all Christian families aspire to grow in virtue, to overcome divisiveness and to live in peace. Keep us strong in faith, diligent in our work, persevering in prayer and generous to those in need.

Amen

**May our families be a 'domestic Church' fostering prayer, teaching faith and Nurturing Christian Values.**

**January Classes: January 5, 12, 19**

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### SUNDAY, December 29, 2024

2:00 PM Crossroads Kitchen food prep  
2:00 PM Crossroads cupcake drop-off—116 St. parking lot

### MONDAY, December 30, 2024

9:00 AM Sheepshead - PC 9 (106 St.)  
5:30 PM MPH SVDP Mtg. - BH (116 St.)  
6:00 PM Evening Prayer - Church (106 St.)

### TUESDAY, December 31, 2024

Eucharist Adoration Closed  
No Evening Prayer & Rosary  
Parish Office Closed

### WEDNESDAY, January 1, 2025

No Eucharist Adoration  
MPH Food Pantry Closed  
Parish Office Closed  
No Evening Prayer

### THURSDAY, January 2, 2025

5:30 PM PEC Meeting - ND (106 St.)  
6:00 PM Evening Prayer - Church (106 St.)  
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Church (106 St.)

### FIRST FRIDAY, January 3, 2025

8:30 AM 10 Hour Eucharistic Adoration - Church (106 St.)  
6:00 PM Evening Prayer and Chaplet of Divine Mercy - Church (106 St.)

### SATURDAY, January 4, 2025

7:00 AM Men's Scripture Study - BH (116 St.)  
4 9:30-11:30 AM MPH Food Pantry - BH (116 St.)

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## HUMAN CONCERNS/OUTREACH

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



Many THANKS to all of  
our volunteers and  
everyone who has made a  
donation in 2024!

### St. Ben's Community Meal

**JANUARY dates:**

**Serve: Monday, Jan.20**

**Sandwich making & Bag packing: Thursdays Jan.  
16th & 23rd**

**8AM Kitchen at 106th Parish Center**

**Food Drop Off: 8AM-9AM or 2-3PM**

**Contact Kathy: to donate/serve**

**Questions/volunteer:**

Kathy Smith 414-453-5192x125 or kathy@mphwa.org

## 2024 Contribution Deadline

A few "business" things to remember as we approach all the festivities associated with Christmas and the end of the year:

All donations must be received no later than December 29 in order to be applied to your 2024 contribution records.

**Donations received after January 1st will be applied to 2025 even if they are in a 2024 envelope.** Because of IRS rules we cannot make any exceptions.

If you are pre-paying in 2024 for 2025 be sure to clearly mark your check, your stewardship form and/or your envelope.

You may also donate online through our website: [www.mphwa.org/donate](http://www.mphwa.org/donate). Online giving is easy, safe, accurate, and most important during the holiday season, it's 24/7/365.

Your tax statement for 2024 will be sent along with the February Monthly Letter.

### COMING IN JANUARY:

*Baby & Toddler Drive for the  
Women's Care Center*

There will be a **list of most needed items** coming soon in the bulletin. The collection will continue the entire month of January with Pack & Plays at both Sites for placement of your donations.

## COME JOIN US

### Dinner and Comedy Sportz

**Saturday, January 25, at MPH Parish Center**

Welcome hour begins at 5:00 pm

Buffet Dinner by Bunzel's at 6:00 pm

Comedy Sportz begins at 7:30 pm

Tickets: \$40

Reserve tables for 6 are available for \$240

Contact the Parish Office for tickets.

Limited seating.

## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2024

Membership Support .....	\$51,334.50
Offertory .....	6,616.49
Repair and Maintenance .....	3,891.50
Scholarship.....	1,148.00
Flowers.....	128.00
Other .....	20.00

**Total ..... \$63,138.49**

Our deep gratitude to parishioners and guests for their commitment to the ongoing work of Christ at Mother of Perpetual Help.



**NAME TAG WEEKENDS**  
with  
**HOSPITALITY**  
Return in  
2025



**Join Us!**  
Chat with your  
friends and  
**MEET some**  
**NEW ONES** ☺  
while eating some  
snacks  
(what's not to  
like?)



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