

February, 2025

Blessings and Greetings in the Lord. We are in the Jubilee Year of Hope and I pray that we not only become people of Hope, but agents of Hope.

I joined the Bishops, priests, deacons, religious and lay representatives of the Archdiocese at the Cathedral on January 14<sup>th</sup> for the installation of our new Archbishop Jeffrey Grob. It was truly an inspiring and hope-filled moment for me and I feel we are blessed with a wonderful shepherd to lead us in the coming years. Let us continue to pray for our Archbishop. I am happy to share with you that Archbishop Grob has agreed to celebrate our outdoor festival Mass on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

I want to specially thank all of you who are contributing to the Stewardship Appeal of the Archdiocese which helps our Archdiocese continue to serve us, especially with timely support and guidance to our parish community through all their offices. The 2025 Stewardship appeal will kickstart in February.

In an effort to have greater engagement and involvement in our leadership team, we have been exploring the discernment model of forming our Pastoral Council members. In the recent meeting of the Pastoral Council, we approved the process of selecting new members by "Discernment." This decision comes after much discussion and strong recommendations from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Office of Missionary Planning & Leadership. Moving to a discerned council will offer a more diverse and dynamic leadership team to continue to move Mother of Perpetual Help forward. The process of discerning new council members involves prayer, identification of the talents, understanding of parish needs, caring, and love for MPH. A steering committee has been formed from current members of the MPH Pastoral Council to finalize the process and they will keep all of us informed on the progress and details.

Our festival preparations are in progress and I ask you to start planning for this great community event and fellowship for the weekend of June 20-22. Invite your children and grand-children to plan this weekend to celebrate our faith as a parish community.

This monthly letter accompanies your yearly Stewardship summary. If there are errors in the amount, please call our office and we can send you a corrected statement. Thank you for your generosity and sacrifices in supporting our mission as a faith community. I am happy to see greater participation of our parishioners with financial contributions to continue our ministries. May the Lord reward you for all your sacrifices. Thank you also for all your support with prayers, time and talent.

May the Lord continue to bless you all and may our patroness, Mother of Perpetual Help intercede for us always.

With Prayers and Blessings,  
Fr. Matthew Perumpil, MI  
Pastor.