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January 4, 2009

*The Epiphany
of the Lord*



*Caravans of CAMELS shall fill you,
dromedaries from Midian and Ephah;
all from Sheba shall come
bearing GOLD and frankincense,
and proclaiming the PRAISES
of the LORD.*

ISAIAH 60:6

Worship Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Schedule

Mon., Tues., Wed., and Fri.: Mass

Thurs.: Communion Service

All at 8:30 a.m.

Rosary Devotion

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM

Sacraments

Reconciliation - Saturday 3:30 p.m.

Baptism

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 2:00 p.m. Baptismal preparation is required. Baptismal prep takes place on the 2nd Tues. of the month at 7:30 pm. Please call Deacon Tom Nolan to register.

Marriage

Please contact the Pastor 6 months in advance.

Parish Office Hours

Mon.-Fri.: 9:00am-4:00pm

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Note from the Pastor

THE EPIPHANY

"I see said the blind man
As he picked up his hammer and saw"



Today the entire world celebrates my very favorite feast, the Epiphany. It is the Feast of the Wizards of "A-ha!" ...The Magi, the magicians. Oh, the Church has called them kings because we know what to do with a king but Matthew calls them astrologers, magicians, magi. What do you do with a magician and what does a magician do? A real magician does not try to hide reality and create illusions *a la* David Copperfield. No, a real magician unveils reality hidden under the external illusions and today we have the ultimate revelation. Today these three star gazers follow that star and come upon what appears to be a simple, vulnerable baby but they see the reality inside. They see the true gold of Divinity shining through the dust of his humanity. And there is an Epiphany. God, hidden in human flesh is now made manifest for the whole world to see. God who has been hiding in the Heavens has now come to Earth to be seen and touched and held by those who have eyes to see, hands to hold and hearts to be hold. Do you see it? Do you get it?

I am personally drawn to this Feast Day because of the four major masculine archetypes of Warrior, Lover, Magician and King; I am most at home being a magician. Merlin is one of my patron saints. (And I do resemble and love Rafiki the monkey-priest of the Lion King. I was even born in the year of the monkey but I digress.) The work of a true magician is to never obfuscate but illuminate. I dare say we get into most of our trouble by covering things up, especially what we perceive as our warts and flaws. Makeup, no matter how heavily it is applied will never conceal what we perceive as our human imperfections. But when we remove the makeup and see all the way into the heart of the matter, we begin to perceive a divine beauty that no external comeliness can ever conceal. And that's an Epiphany. It is one that most of us never come to. And yet, it is the one that God wants us to see most clearly. As a matter of fact, Jesus came basically for one reason and that was to reveal the divinity hidden in our wounded mortality. But we just

refuse to see it. Hence, the magicians.

All of us have some of the four major archetypes in us but one usually dominates. The King defines the kingdom and carries it in his person. He is the head, the father figure. If he is healthy, the kingdom is healthy. One usually doesn't access his king archetype until after the age of 50 but once it is there it gives a sense of order and security and identity to all that it touches. As I get older, I discover much more of the king in me and I must confess...it's good to be king. The warrior defends the kingdom. He knows what the boundaries are and what the rules of the game are supposed to be. Warrior energy is in every young boy as he begins to discover his own power and strength. The lover gives juice to life, sweetness and fun to life. And the magician is the one who blows your reveille... Wake up! He is the one who slaps you in the face and if he does it well, you say, "Thanks. I needed that." He is the good father confessor to whom you come to expose your sin so that your gift may be revealed. How strange and how like God to use even our sinfulness and brokenness to bring us to fullness and healing in life. Nothing gives me greater joy than when someone in confession comes to a true Epiphany of who they truly are. It really is a moment of A-ha. I see it. I get it. I am always quick to remind them that once they see it and get it, they must act on it to make it a permanent part of their life because in truth, it is. Our truest self, our deepest being is divine. It will take us a lifetime to discover that. Not to worry. We have time. And, besides, it has already been shown to us. It was revealed 2,000 years ago when those who followed the star discovered the fullness of divinity hidden in humanity. What a surprise.

In Jesus, the Epiphany of God,

Father Tony



P.S. About those *Holy Innocents* I wrote in last weeks bulletin? Really, I'm innocent. I do know the difference between Innocence and Innocents. To all our grammar gurus, apologies.

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN FREE ICE SKATING AT THE YMCA SUNDAY JANUARY 4

Sponsored by Mary Queen of Heaven Men's Group



**Join us for a fun afternoon of
FREE Ice Skating at the Elmhurst YMCA Ice Rink!**

**The MQH Men's Group is sponsoring
FREE Ice Skating for MQH Parishioners
On Sunday, January 4, 2009
From 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM.**

**The Elmhurst YMCA Ice Rink is located at
211 West 1st Street
(on the corner of 1st St. and Maple Ave).**

**No pre-registration is required,
but maximum capacity for the ice
rink is roughly 300, so please come early.**

Ice Skates will be available at the rink at no charge.

**For more information, call
Paul Letourneau at 630-698-0081**

PARISH CANDLELIGHT BOWL

Sponsored by Mary Queen of Heaven CCW



**Join us for a fun evening
At Stardust Bowl in Addison
On Saturday, January 31, 2009
Beginning at 8:00 p.m.**

**Cost is \$45.00 per couple and includes:
Dinner and dessert
3 Games of Scotch Doubles
Bowling Shoes**

**The deadline for reservations is
Sunday, January 25th.**

**Please return your reservation form
and payment to the rectory or to:
Karen Vicary,
545 W. Gladys, Elmhurst.**

**Make checks payable to
Mary Queen of Heaven CCW.**

**For more information, call
Karen at 630-279-4108.**

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Parish News



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"I grew up going to pray to Jesus during Eucharistic Adoration. While I believe He is present in the tabernacle, spending time praying before the Host present in the Monstrance during Eucharistic Adoration helps me to experience Him more intimately." (A member of MQH)

We are right in the heart of our celebration of the Christmas season with the sweet refrain of "Oh come, let us adore Him" still echoing in our ears and hearts! Come and adore Him, praise Him, thank Him, ask Him - at our next Day of Eucharistic Adoration, on Monday, January 5, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. You are welcome to begin the day with Mass at 8:30 a.m. All are invited to join us any time during the day and for Benediction at 7:00 p.m. Please see the sign-up board in the back of church if you would like to choose a specific time. **We especially need someone to fill in at the 2 p.m. hour.**

If you are interested in becoming a permanent adorer for any given hour, you may contact **Kay Diggins at 630-530-7214, or Rose Wilkes at 630-833-7238.**

MEDICATIONS ALERT

The Peace and Justice Committee of our parish has undertaken a new project. We are proposing to collect expired drugs/medications (over-the-counter and prescription) which parishioners would like to dispose of responsibly.

The intent of this service is to provide a convenient and responsible means of disposing of expired or unused medications and drugs. Please leave your medications in their original containers, with original labels intact. You may black out your name for privacy. Please note: we cannot accept needles.

Our plan is provide containers for unwanted medications in the rear (narthex) of the church. These medications will later be sorted and transported to a collection center.

We urge parishioners to begin saving their expired or unused medication. In several weeks we will publish the date for this collection. Participating in this collection will keep obsolete and unused medication out of our sewage system or landfills. If you have any questions or suggestions about this project, please call Milt Honel at 630-279-7086.

Please continue to watch the bulletin for more details.

Parish Calendar



PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY 4 - JANUARY 11

Sunday, January 4, 2009

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in C/SH/School 13, 4-5
8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Masses
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in Church
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Free Ice Skating at the YMCA

Monday, January 5, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
8:45 AM Preschool Classes Resume for M/W/F
9:00 AM - 7:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration in Church
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Liturgy Planning Committee in Parish Office Dining Room

Tuesday, January 6, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
8:45 AM Preschool Classes Resume for T/Th

Wednesday, January 7, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
3:15 PM - 8:15 PM RE Classes Resume in School

Thursday, January 8, 2009

8:30 AM Communion Service in Church
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Choir Rehearsal in Church
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM New Wine in School 4-5,13
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM St. Vincent DePaul Mtg. in Barrett Hall
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Peace & Justice Comm. Mtg. in Conf. Room

Friday, January 9, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

Saturday, January 10, 2009

3:30 PM Confessions
4:30 PM MQH Mass in Church

Sunday, January 11, 2009

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in C/SH/School 13, 4-5
8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Masses



YOGA AT MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN

Yoga at Mary Queen, welcomes all ages. There is Yoga class almost every Tuesday at 9:00 am. You can be added to Debbie's email list to find out or call 630/941-7224

**All Tuesdays in January 9:00 AM
\$4 per class or \$6 per family**

Mary Queen of Heaven PRESCHOOL

Now accepting Registration for the 2009-2010 school year.
Please join us at one of our Open Houses to tour the school,
meet the teachers, and visit with current families.



Open House & Registration

Second Thursday of each month:
January 8th, February 12th, March 12th
5:30pm – 7:30pm

Third Sunday of each month:
January 18th, February 15th, March 15th
9:30am – 12 noon

Preschool classes are Monday through Friday from 8:45 am– 12 noon.
Two day (T/Th) and Three day (M/W/F) programs are offered.
Children are also welcome to attend five days a week.

For additional information please contact the Preschool Director
Liz Lowrey
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PRESCHOOL

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Christian Worship Commission



To pray for our sick is an important privilege of our parish family. Please call 630-279-5700 to have a name added to our list. A new listing will appear in bold face.

When calling the parish office, please leave contact information and your relationship to the person. Names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks. Contact the parish office to renew the individual's name on our prayer list. We hope that you will pray for these persons every day.

Roger Lump

Christian Education News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday, January 7	3:15PM - 4:15PM	RE Class Sessions resume at the normal time.
Saturday, January 24	11:00 AM - 4:30PM	Confirmation Retreat in Barrett Hall

For more info on any of the above, please call
Mary Ann Woods at the REO, 832-8962.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, JANUARY 10 - SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2009

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta
Lector	B. Lawlor	K. Passarelli	A. Grozik M. Grozik
Eucharistic Ministers	M. White (S) H. Todd (C) C. Reisenbuckler K. Diggins M. Conway F. Caruso	K. Vicary (S) M. Reed (C) D. Bernstein R. Styka D. Styka K. Biggs	M. Reed (S) K. Gusloff (C) M. McCall T. Kevil J. Spears J. Lindberg P. LeTourneau M. Japczyk
Altar Servers	M. Jankovec N. Simon N. Simon	V. Maple K. Pierzchala S. Pierzchala	M. Piszczor H. Rossiano J. Vosicky



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 4, 2009

8:30 AM All Parishioners
10:30 AM † Margaret Delbeke

Monday, January 5, 2009

8:30 AM All Parishioners

Tuesday, January 6, 2009

8:30 AM † Anna Marinello

Wednesday, January 7, 2009

8:30 AM All Parishioners

Thursday, January 8, 2009

8:30 AM Communion Service

Friday, January 9, 2009

8:30 AM † All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, January 10, 2009

4:30 PM † John Dolinaj

Sunday, January 11, 2009

8:30 AM All Parishioners
10:30 AM All Parishioners

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of January 4, 2009

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday: 1 Jn 3:22---4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19---5:4/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11/
Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11



Church Support

Collection Totals for: Sunday December 21, 2008	
Adults	\$7,872.43
Children	\$79.95
Total	\$7,952.38
Sunday December 28, 2008	
Adults	\$7,176.00
Children	\$30.75
Total	\$7,206.75
The Christmas collection will be published in the January 11, 2009 bulletin	

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