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February 8, 2009 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The whole TOWN
was gathered at the door.
He CURED many who were sick
with various diseases,
and he drove out many DEMONS,
not permitting them to speak
because they KNEW him.

MARK 1:33-34

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

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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



I think the year was 1971. I was sitting in one of the cars of the CNW going from Chicago to Wheaton and was preparing my homily for the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. I was reading the book of Job. Soon I felt a set of young eyes

looking over my shoulder at what I was reading. It was a student of about 17 or 18 years old and after sitting next to me for several minutes finally blurted out, "I didn't know there was a book about jobs in the Bible."

"Oh no, this is not a book about jobs this is the book of Job. The O is long like in the name Joe." "Oh," and then trying to be cute added, "Was Job out of a job?" Actually that was a pretty good question.

Not only was Job out of a job but he was almost out of a life. We all know the story of Job, the good man for whom bad things happened. Really bad things. And he was a really good man. The book of Job paints for us a marvelous picture of possibly the greatest human dilemma: when bad things happen to good people, when the innocent suffer. And the colossal corollary to this terrible situation is the question...why? Why do little children get cancer? Why does a young father of four fall dead at the age of 40? If God is so good and I am working so hard at following his rules, why am I suffering so much? For many it is the question of life. And during this specific time of economic and social turmoil many are asking with Job why am I losing my job? It isn't fair. There must be a reason. And reasons abound. Every pundit in the business has a reason. But like Job's friends none of them really satisfies. Job must have done something wrong to be punished like this. Well, no. He didn't do anything wrong. What's causing Job such anguish is the question 'why'. He wants an answer. Now. And so do we.

Often I run into teenagers who share with me how tough school is, how much pressure they are under to get good grades, how little their parents understand them and how anxious they are to fit in and be one of the group. "Father, it isn't fair." Rule Number 1, child of God, life is *not* fair. Rule Number 2, life's tough. After their mini-diatribe I have to remind them that if they think it is rough now, just wait. It's going to get worse.

And it's going to get better. Much better. But why? Why this up and down and in and out and pushing and pulling? And so we go back to Job. Why, oh Lord, why? There must be a reason. And there is. But it is not Job's to know. God finally speaks to him in the last chapter of the book and asks him where he was when God created the Heavens and the Earth and the seas and the sky. Where was he

when God told the Sea, "this is the limit of your expansion and you may go no further." And Job shuts up. Job finds himself now in what is called the *mysterium* iniquitatum, the mystery of evil. He's not going to understand it. His little logical left brain is not going to be able to make the connection between cause and effect. So what does he finally do? He shuts his mouth and bows before the mystery. He lets go of his question and his insatiable desire to know and be in control. He lets God be God and falls through his life situation into his life. And we today are called to do no less.

We recently read of a father who lost his job, despaired, and did away not only with his own life but with the life of his wife and children. What an utter, absolute tragedy. His life situation was that of Job. But unlike Job, he could not let go. He could not pass through his terrible situation of life into his real life. And we all wept.

These are not easy days. And they are probably going to get worse. But this is not all there is. Along with the mystery of evil is the promise of grace. St. Paul tells us that where sin and evil abound, grace will super abound. Where there is despair, there will be hope. The hardest thing for us to do is to let go of our controlling need to cognitively understand it in the top 3 inches of our brain so that we can begin to comprehend it in the depth of our soul. The hardest thing to do is to dare to trust and believe that in the midst of the chaos of our present situation is an order and an invitation into the heart of God. That is a holy work. That is a job one.

In Jesus, the Holy Work of God,

Father Tony



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FR TONY TO TEACH SPECIAL CLASS

This Wednesday, February 11 at 7:00 PM in the church, Fr. Tony will be teaching a mandatory meeting for all our parents of children making First Communion. He will

be teaching on St. Paul's life changing concept of the Mystical Body of Christ. In addition, to our second grader's parents, all adults of the parish are invited to attend. Bring a pad and pen to take some notes.

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IS THERE A GRANT WRITER IN THE HOUSE?

From time to time we have the possibility of applying for a grant. One such is the Retirement and Research Foundation who will be funding grants to make church sites in Du Page more accessible to the elderly and handicapped. Another might be for noise abatement for our school (now that the pre-school is up and running).

If you have such talents and would like to make it part of your stewardship, please call the rectory.



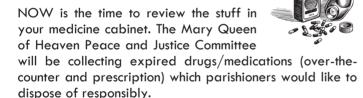
THANK YOU, JOE GORYL

This is a way overdue thank you to Joe Goryl who for the past year has presided over and chaired our Parish Council. He

has had to step down and we wish to publically thank him for his wonderful service to our parish.

In the interim, Brenda Scanlon will chair our Parish Council until discernment time comes in June. Thank you too, Brenda.

MEDICATIONS ALERT



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.

This collection will take place the weekend of February 21/22 before and after the Masses. Containers for unwanted medications will be placed in the rear (narthex) of the church. These medications will be transported to a collection center where they will be sorted. Trained medical persons will supervise the sorting process. Useable meds will be provided cost free to those in need.

Participating in this collection will keep obsolete and unused medication out of our sewage system or landfills. If you have any questions about this project, please call Milt Honel at 630-279-7086.



CCW Ladies Game Night

Tuesday, February 17, 2009 At 7:00 p.m. in Barrett Hall

Bring some friends, a snack to share and your favorite game (if you have one) For an evening of fun! Beverages will be provided.

> Questions? Call Karen 630-279-4108

Please fill out the form below and return it to the basket in the back of church or to the parish office before February 15th.

Name	 	
Phone Number		



MQH MEN'S GROUP NIGHT AT THE RACES

Please join us for an evening of fun and racing entertainment!!

WHEN: Friday, February 20, 2009

WHERE: Maywood Park Race Track

TIME: Dinner Buffet

6:30 PM-10:00 PM

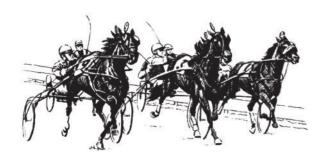
Featuring Prime Rib & Shrimp

Races start at 7:20 PM

COST: \$20.00 per person includes

parking, program, admission and dinner. Tickets can be purchased after all Masses on Sunday February 8 and 15.

CONTACT: Bob Glick (630)833-5725



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COME ONE, COME ALL! FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15

Join us for Fellowship after the 10:30 a.m. mass on Sunday, February 15th. Bring your family and join other parishioners and friends in conversation while enjoying goodies prepared for us by parents and catechists from our Religious Ed Ministry. We will look forward to seeing you!

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL MEETING

There will be a meeting of the St. Vincent DePaul Society Board on Thursday, February 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Barrett Hall. Please let

Sheila (630-833-6657) know if you will not be able to attend.

"NEW WINE" PARISHIONERS WILL ATTEND RETREAT THIS WEEKEND

Four Mary Queen of Heaven parishioners, enrolled in the "New Wine" Parish Leadership Program, are attending a retreat this weekend (February 6th - 8th) at the Loretto Center in Wheaton. Ellen Walker, Rory Villamel, Teri Kevil and Ruth Maple are attending this event along with 10 others in their class. This retreat will be filled with spiritual reflections and training about the Holy Sacraments, history of the Church, wonderful prayer, and prayer services, Holy Scriptures, and discernment of our leadership role at Mary Queen of Heaven. We ask that you, our parish family, keep all of us in your prayers, that we may have a holy, blessed and enriching experience at our retreat. We thank you for these prayers and ask God to bless always.

JOYFUL AGAIN!

Widowed? Wondering if and when things will get better? They can and they will. Learn how others are coping. Find ways to move on with your life. Attend the weekend/workshop retreat for widowed that is being held at:

St. Charles Pastoral Center Rte 53 & Airport Rd. Romeoville, IL (near Lockport) On: March 7 & 8, 2098 For info and to register call 1-708-354-7211

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament is:

- An act of faith and ardent love.
- A signal act of reparation to the divine heart of Jesus
- A support for the Church Militant (God's people on
- A cause of special delight for the Church Triumphant (those who are with God in eternity), and
- A source of indescribable relief for the members of the Church Suffering in purgatory.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the grace of an attraction toward the Holy Eucharist is considered one of the greatest graces God can bestow upon a soul. Happy are they who respond to the call of grace with a generous heart and who in a life of devoted service of the Blessed Sacrament enjoy here below a foretaste of the peace and joy of heaven.

You are invited to respond to that call of grace on the weekend of February 21 and 22. Visitation, one of our sister parishes in Elmhurst, which will celebrate 12 years of Perpetual Adoration in 2009, has invited members of our parish to partner with them in signing up for a weekly hour of adoration in their Perpetual Adoration chapel, which is in the convent building.

This sign-up for Perpetual Adoration at Visitation will take place after all the Masses at MQH. (Adoration at MQH on the 1st Monday of the Month will continue.) You will find a sign-up form in next week's bulletin.

LADIES DAY OUT YOGA FOR WOMEN

Saturday, February 21 Barrett Hall - 11:30 am **Yoga for Women**

Anyone who is interested is also welcome to go to lunch for Thai food after class, within 10 minutes of church.

Please let me know by Feb 18 if you are interested in the Yoga class and/or the lunch. Class will cost \$4.00 and lunch will cost between \$9.00 and \$12.00. Also, there will be Yoga in Barrett Hall every Tuesday during February at 9:00 am.

> **Contact Debbie at** (630) 941-7224 or

debbie@computronics.com

Parish Calendar



PARISH CALENDAR OF **EVENTS FEBRUARY 8 -FEBRUARY 15**

Sunday, February 8, 2009

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Church/Social Hall/School 13, 4-5 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Masses

Monday, February 9, 2009 - Candlemas

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Bible Study - Psalms II in Conference Room

Tuesday, February 10, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church 9:00 AM Yoga in Barrett Hall

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Bible Study - Psalms II in Conference Room Bible Study - Psalms II in Conference Room 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Wednesday, February 11, 2009

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

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM RE 1st Eucharist Parent Meeting in Church 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Bible Study - Psalms II in Conference Room

Thursday, February 12, 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 - 9:30 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting in Barrett Hall 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Peace and Justice Committee Meeting

in Conference Room

Friday, February 13, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

Saturday, February 14, 2009 - St. Valentine's Day

3:30 PM Confessions

4:30 PM MQH Mass in Church

Sunday, February 15, 2009

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Church/Social Hall/School 13, 4-5 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM **MQH** Masses

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Fellowship after 10:30 Mass in Barrett Hall

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in Church

54 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Christian Education News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please mark your calendars:

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Wednesday, February 11th

Gr. 2 parents of First Communicants are expected to attend a special meeting at **7:00PM** in Barrett Hall. (Please note the change of meeting site.) Fr. Tony will be the featured speaker.

Sunday, February 15th, our RE staff and families have been asked to host the monthly fellowship held after the 10:30 Mass. We will be in need of baked or purchased goodies, fruit, or cheese and crackers, etc. and of course assistance to help set up, serve, and clean up. If you are able to help with refreshments, please bring your offerings to the Barrett Hall kitchen before the 10:30 Mass. If you have seen the crowds at church lately, you know we will need an abundance of items. If you are able to help with serving or clean up, please join us after mass. Thank you in advance for your help.

Wednesday, February 25th is Ash Wednesday marking the beginning of the holy season of Lent. There are no regular Religious Education classes. However all RE families are expected to attend either the Distribution of Ashes service at 4:00PM in Church or mass with the distribution of ashes at 7:00PM.

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

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.

Annette Bojko Patricia Coulson Michael Figiel Tricia Mayer Firoza Mohideen



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE AND REGISTRATION

Mary Queen of Heaven continues to accept 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 the current families.

Second Thursday of each month: February 12th, March 12th 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Third Sunday of each month: February 15th, March 15th 9:30 am - noon

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



Last week we celebrated Catholic Schools Week. It is during this week that we take time to celebrate the uniqueness of our schools. At the Catholic School Summit held last year the school communities were encouraged to "Carry the Light Forward". We support one another in proclaiming Christ to our children in their daily

activities in our schooland parish. One of the yearly activities sponsored by the Diocese of Joliet is "Breakfast with the Bishop". This year the breakfast was held on Friday, January 9th. Mary Queen of Heaven Preschool was represented by one of our School Board members, Michele Rose Bolton, and her son, Maxence. Maxence met with Bishop Sartain and received a special candle to bring back to our school. We will continue to Carry the Light Forward as we proclaim Christ from our hearts through our actions and words.

For additional information please contact the Preschool Director Liz Lowrey (630) 833-9500 mghpreshool@aol.com

MINISTRY	MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14 - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2009				
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM		
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta		
Lector	E. Walker	F. Tremmel	M. McCall		
Eucharistic Ministers	D. StaRosa (S) C. Reisenbuckler (C) K. Diggins S. Pingatore A. Grozik M. Grozik G. Los	M. Kelly (S) K. Vicary (C) T. Sabel G. Regan D. Styka R. Styka D. Bernstein	K. Gusloff (S) M. McCall (C) K. Mueller K. Mueller P. Twardowski D. Justus P. Mason B. Quist M. Quist		
Altar Servers	C. Ceper M. Jankovec M. Piszczor	J. Nosek M. Nosek H. Rossiano	J. McDonough M. McDonough J. Vosicky		



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 8, 2009

8:30 AM † Bernice Erzyblek 10:30 AM All Parishioners

Monday, February 9, 2009

8:30 AM † Richard Kennedy

Tuesday, February 10, 2009

8:30 AM † Florence Flint

Wednesday, February 11, 2009

8:30 AM † Richard Kennedy

Thursday, February 12, 2009

8:30 AM Communion Service

Friday, February 13, 2009

8:30 AM † Carl Reitmeyer

Saturday, February 14, 2009

4:30 PM † All Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, February 15, 2009

8:30 AM † Albert P. Kabat

10:30 AM † Albert Fuchsen

† indicates person is deceased

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Readings for the Week of February 8, 2009

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/

Mk 1:29-39

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20---2:4a/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31---11:1/

Mk 1:40-45



Collection Totals for: Sunday January 25, 2008		
Adults	\$7,859.00	
Children	\$90.70	
Total	\$7,949.70	

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