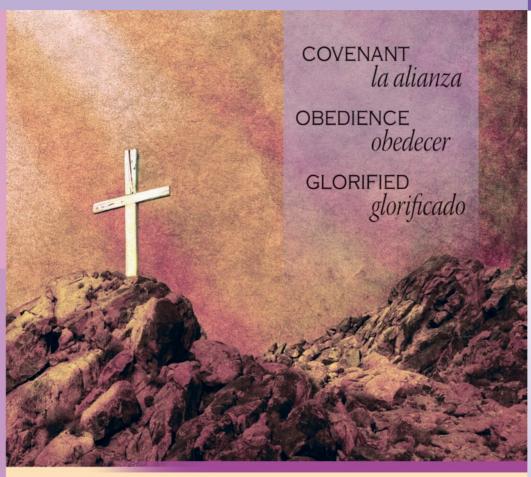
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March 29, 2009 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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 <u>Stations of the Cross</u> Fridays during Lent: 7:00 PM

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-3:00pm

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Note from the Pastor



Radio talk man John Williams has a segment on his morning show called, "Signs of the Apocalypse". What are the modern day signs that tell us the end is near? Most of them are cute and funny. You know that the end is near when a

brother and sister are sitting in the same room text messaging each other. You know that the end is near when AIG gives away 150 million dollars of our bail out money to the very people who got us into this mess in the first place. And can we be far from Armageddon when Starbucks is reduced to selling instant coffee?

From the days of Saint Paul to the present every generation was convinced that it was the last. In Paul's earliest Epistles he is convinced that Christ will return any day now. At the end of their all night vigils, the congregation would go outside and watch for the dawn waiting for the end to come.

Millions of dollars were made on the book The Late Great Planet Earth that predicted the end any day now. That was 40 years ago. And the Jehovah witnesses have had to revise their end game strategy so many times now that if Christ were to actually show up today they wouldn't believe it. Every generation from the beginning until today has been convinced that it was the last. Nine years ago at the turn of the century, at the beginning of the new millennium, many were convinced that y2k was the sign of the Apocalypse and all would collapse. Obviously, not so. We're still waiting. Even the park in Chicago that bore its name was 4 years late in the making. Obviously, God seems to have a different time table than we do.

And yet, there seems to be so many signs of the Apocalypse. In the synoptic Gospels, Jesus is asked: when this end time will be? He tells them that there will be wars and rumors of wars, famines and earthquakes but the end will not come. And then he says a most extraordinary thing. He does not know when it will come. Only the Father knows. Don't even speculate. Nevertheless we can't help but to think that we are *th*e generation that will usher in the second coming of Christ.

All we need to do is to look around us and read the signs of the times. To speculate that this is the beginning of the end doesn't seem so farfetched. We are now truly a global village. The world has shrunk so small and we are so interconnected that when we speak of a world wide web we are not speaking metaphorically. One thing affects everything. And if the United States, indeed, catches a cold, the world gets pneumonia. And we have a hell of a cold. The economic crisis we are now experiencing may trigger economic collapse in many Third World countries. And as that happens there will be desperate people who would do desperate things. Unstable economies make for unstable societies and those that already have or will soon get unstable nuclear weapons thrown into the mix will have a recipe for an apocalyptic disaster. Is this the sign of the Apocalypse?

I hope not. Christian realism teaches us that while we may not be particularly optimistic about the future, as followers of the Christ, we must be hopeful. And just as there are negative signs of the Apocalypse, there are plenty of positive ones as well. As we seem to be going in a downward spiral (socially, economically, politically) there is a counter spirituality that is emerging out of the material mess we find ourselves in. Something is going on at the level of global consciousness. There is an awakening happening that seems to be transcending tribes and nations and denominations. There is a deep and profound awareness in many people throughout the world that we are indeed, part of a world wide web. We are utterly interconnected. And how we relate to each other will make all the difference in the world. From a Christian perspective we will call this a movement of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit will move where she will. Many non-Christians and even non-religious people seemed to be infused with this Spirit of human transcendence and interconnectedness to each other and to the world in which we live. And it will not be stopped. Why? Because I believe it is Christ's consciousness. His promise to us was that we will not be left orphans but that He will be with us and in us until the Apocalypse, until the end of the World.

And when will that be? We don't need to speculate. We simply need to live in that consciousness of Christ, that mind and heart of Christ which show us that the end is now.

In Jesus, the Alpha and Omega, The Beginning and the End,

Father Tony





TODAY IS THE DAY!!!... BREAD FOR THE WORLD... YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!!

After each Mass this weekend, YOU ARE INVITED to Barrett Hall to write (really, to copy) to Representative Peter Roskam and to Senator Dick Durbin and Senator Roland Burris. Your children are invited to participate, too.

The purpose of this project is to convince our representatives in CONGRESS to vote in favor of appropriation bills which will provide food for the hungry of our country and the world.

Catholic Social Teaching proclaims we must help the vulnerable (the poor and the hungry) people of our country and the world. Jesus reached out to the poor 2000 years ago. Now it is our turn to help the poor. The USA is a rich country. We must continue to urge our politicians to share the wealth of our country.

Please take a few minutes after Mass today to do your part. Thank you.



SUCCESS WITHOUT TRYING

What draws us to adoration? Humility of heart. The humility that says, "I need God. I am a creature and He is my Creator. I do

not have to be in charge. I do not even have to use my talents to make this adoration a 'success'." Our task is simply to be docile, to receive, to respond, to come before Him, to rest in the silence of His presence. He will do the rest. He will sanctify us.

We are images of the Divine. We were created in the image and likeness of God, and thus we will not be happy until we are restored to union with Him. Our Eucharistic Jesus exposed in the monstrance cries out silently for us to return to Him, to submit our reason to God's revelation. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest response a human being can make to God's love poured out over the world. (from The Dogma and the Triumph)

Come and spend one hour with Him during our next monthly day of Eucharistic Adoration, April 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The day closes with Benediction at 7:00. Anyone may sign up on the poster in the back of church. If you would like to become a permanent adorer for one of the hours, please call Rose Wilkes at 630-833-7238.

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PARISH LENTEN SCHEDULE



Holy Thursday Thursday, April 9 Mass of the Lord's Supper Foot Washing 7:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross and Benediction Friday evenings at 7 p.m.

Good Friday Friday, April 10 Children's Living Stations at 3 p.m. Good Friday Service at 7:00 p.m.



Holy Saturday Saturday, April 11 Blessing of Easter Baskets at 11 a.m. in church Easter Egg Hunt for Children Ages: Toddler to 5th Gr. (Immediately following Blessing of Baskets) Solemn Easter Vigil at 7:30 p.m. (Counts as Easter Mass)



Easter Sunday Sunday, April 12 Masses: 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 NOON



Due to Spring Break Vacation and Good Friday, articles for bulletins for the month of March and April will have the following deadlines:

	For Bulletin On	Articles due by noon	
	Sunday, April 12	Wednesday, April 1	
ſ	Sunday, April 19	Monday, April 13	

Thank you for your cooperation.

Parish News



PALMS BLESSED IN 2008

If you have palms which were blessed last Palm Sunday, please bring them to church for burning this year. There will be a box available from now until March 29 in the church vestibule where they can be deposited.



EASTER VIGIL HELP

We are now all aware of Father Tony's expectation that the church will be filled for the Triduum as well as for the Easter

Vigil! We always have a reception following the Vigil Mass on Saturday April 11 which is a celebration for those who received the Sacraments of Initiation that evening. You are all invited! In order to prepare for a larger group, we will need help with snacks for the reception. Please contact Mimi (941-3851) if you can bring something. Mimi will be personally contacting those individuals who have been part of the RCIA experience in the past....You know who you are! Let's make this the most festive event ever!

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.

> Baby Alexander Ross Margaret Hasenberg Florence Konkolewski **Peggy Luckey** Roger Lumpp Vicky Nied Daniel Spratt Bruno Turkula Carrie(Sugrue) Var-Verschot

Parish Calendar

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS MARCH 29 - APRIL 5

Sunday, March 29, 2009

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM RCIA in Church/Social Hall/School 13, 4-5 MQH Masses Bread for the World Letters in Barrett Hall after Mass

Monday, March 30, 2009 SPRING BREAK STARTS NO PRESCHOOL

8:30 AM 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM MQH Mass in Church Easter Baskets in Church

Tuesday, March 31, 2009

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

Wednesday, April 1, 2009

8:30 AM

NO RE CLASSES MQH Mass in Church

MQH Mass in Church

Thursday, April 2, 2009

8:30 AM 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM 8:00 PM - 10:30 PM Communion Service in Church Choir Rehearsal in Church New Wine in School 4-5,13 Men's Group in Barrett Hall

Friday, April 3, 2009 - Day of Abstinence

Confessions

8:30 AM 7:00 PM MQH Mass in Church Stations of the Cross in Church

MQH Mass in Church

Saturday, April 4, 2009

3:30 PM 4:30 PM

Sunday, April 5, 2009

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

RCIA in Church/Social Hall/School 13, 4-5 RCIA Retreat in Social Hall MQH Masses Baptisms in Church

Gospel Verse

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." - Jn 12:23-



Youth and Christian Education News

Youth Group News

DESTINY HIGH SCHOOL GROUP

- We continue to have **lock-in meetings** to plan for the Wings to 'Heaven Lock-in'. Our next meeting is Monday April 6 at 8pm in the school building
- Welcome Breakfast for all 8th grade and high school students on Sunday May 17 at 8:30 in Barrett Hall.
- We are working on a **Mission Trip to Hopkins Park** on the weekend of July 17th with Fr Tony.
- Check out our new web address mqhdestiny.jimdo.com

WINGS TO HEAVEN 5TH-8TH GRADE GROUP

- Lock- in May 8th 7pm Sat May 9th 9am. Fee is \$15. You must have a permission slip. They can be picked up in Religious Ed office or email Kathleen Gusloff the5ofgus@aol.com
- Welcome ice cream social for all 5-8th grade students especially incoming 5th graders for next year on May 31 at 6pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Lenten Project



Wednesday, April 8th is the last day for our Easter "basket" collection for Marillac House.

Any items that are appropriate for a child's Easter basket; candy, small toys & stuffed animals, etc. all will be welcome. We know you will be generous.

Thinking about being a catechist.

If you would like to talk about how you might share your time and talent with our children, please call us at the REO. The children of Mary Queen are counting on you.

Registration packets for the 2009/2010 RE year have been mailed. Please note the change in some policies for the coming year. Please get your registrations returned early. If you or someone you know did not get a registration form, call the REO.

Please mark your calendars:

Wednesday, April 1 - No class – Spring Break Good Friday, April 10 - The Living Stations of the Cross presented by the 7th graders in church at 3:00PM Wednesday, April 15 - All 8th graders and their parents will meet in Barrett Hall for a special video presentation. There will be no 5:15 Gr. 8 session that evening. Saturday, April 18 - Session for First Communicants and their parents in Church and in Barrett Hall at 10:00AM.

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

Registration OPEN March 1st



Preschool Program learning and growing through play & prayer

Kindergarten Enrichment Program a balanced program of academics, religion & the arts

www.maryqueenpreschool.org

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT 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.

> Thursday April 16th from 5:30pm to 7:30 pm Sunday April 19th from 9:30 am to noon For additional information please contact the Preschool Director Liz Lowrey (630) 833-9500 mqhpreshool@aol.com

Mary Queen of Heaven ▲ March 29, 2009

MIM	MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, APRIL 4 - SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2009		
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Lector	D. StaRosa B. Lawlor	A. Grozik M. Grozik	R. Wilkes F. Tremmel
Eucharistic Ministers	K. Diggins (S) M. Zelinski (C) G. Los D. StaRosa C. Reisenbuckler J. Goryl K. Passarelli	J. Eichorst (S) T. Sabel (C) D. Bernstein J. Unger T. Nanak K. Vicary J. Spears	K. Gusloff (S) M. Kelly (C) R. Styka D. Styka M. McCall M. Japczyk T. Kevil B. Quist M. Quist
Altar Servers	C. Gornick B. Gornick G. Gornick	S. Lewand V. Maple J. Simon	J. Vosicky S. Pierzchala M. Piszczor



Sunday, March 29, 2009

8:30 AM † Jean Gale 10:30 AM All Parishioners

Monday, March 30, 2009 8:30 AM † Ancy Mathew

Tuesday, March 31, 2009

8:30 AM † All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, April 1, 2009

8:30 AM † Gertrude M. Carey

- Thursday, April 2, 2009
 - 8:30 AM Communion Service

Friday, April 3, 2009

- 8:30 AM † Joan Early
- Saturday, April 4, 2009 4:30 PM † Alice Dieter

Sunday, April 5, 2009

8:30 AM	All Parishioners		
10:30 AM	† Alex Villamil		

† indicates person is deceased

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Readings for the Week of March 29, 2009

Sunday:	Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or
	11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or
	13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday:	Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 /ls 50:4-7/
	Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:115:47 or 15:1-39



Collection Totals for: Sunday March 22, 2008		
Adults	\$8,443.94	
Children	\$106.24	
Total	\$8,550.18	

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> Contact <u>www.parishpay.com</u>, or call 866-PARISH-1 for further information.

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