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April 12, 2009

*Easter Sunday:
The Resurrection
of the Lord*



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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-3:00pm

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EASTER LA PASCUA



Note from the Pastor



EASTER SUNDAY

Rexurrexit Sicut Dixit, He Is Risen just as He said! Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia!

For over thirty years I have begun my Easter note with these words. He lives! He has once and for all conquered death. We are told that no one has ever come back from the dead. Well, He has. And He lives! Sooooo?

So what? So what's the deal? It is Easter and we will dress our children nicely and we'll all come to church in our Sunday best and eat a spiral ham with our in-laws and tomorrow we will never know the difference. It is all rather innocuous and nice...but to tell the truth, a little boring. (It certainly doesn't compete with the final 4).

It is nice to know that someone rose from the dead two thousand years ago but what does it have to do with us today? Oh, theologically we know that because he rose from the dead so will we at the end of our life. But what does this resurrection do for me now? Today? The answer: nothing and everything.

If the resurrection of Jesus is just an historical event that took place two thousand years ago then, as nice as the story is, it means nothing for me. Oh it is good to know that when I die I will live on after my body is dead and that eventually my body will rise from the dead but that has no effect on me today.

But what if the resurrection took place before you physically died? What if, because of Jesus, you were able to rise from the dead before you died? Well, then you'd be living in heaven. Here! Now! Do you know anybody alive who is in heaven? Have you ever been yourself in heaven on earth? It's possible you know.

Heaven and resurrection and the fullness of life isn't a place that you go to after you die. No, it is a state we are called to live in right now. And how do you enter into it? By losing yourself. By dying. The young lover as he loses himself in the arms of his beloved is in heaven. The mother who selflessly denies and loses herself for the sake of her children becomes united with them as one is in heaven. Even Fred Astaire as he is dancing cheek to cheek is in heaven. No heaven and resurrection and life is a possibility today.

Why? Because of Him. Because He is risen. Death is not the end. Oh, it is the hard part. And we are not, I am afraid, very good at it. It takes a lifetime to learn how to die. And so we practice a thousand little deaths every day. Deaths to our ego, deaths to our selves, deaths to the way things

have got to be according to our itty bitty minds. But once we learn how to die resurrection is easy. It is almost automatic. Our pain comes from holding on, from insisting, from demanding. And once we learn to surrender into the arms of the Other, we discover that which we held onto wasn't worth it in the first place. Because that which we have received by letting go, by dying is nothing less than heaven, life. New life.

That is the great teaching of Jesus and finally He showed it to us in His body. He physically died not just for the sake of His own resurrection but for ours. If He could do it, so can we. If He can rise from the dead, so can we. If He who took on our very nature, now lives forever, so will we. The question is, when? When will we die? At the end? Or now?

Better now. He is risen now. And so must we.

In Jesus our resurrection and life,

Father Tony



Parish News



CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH SPIRITUAL RENEWAL WEEKENDS SCHEDULED

No program can renew a parish, only Christ can. But through openness to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and a desire to establish a deeper relationship with Jesus, a program like "Christ Renews His Parish" can be very effective in making our community of faith become more spiritually vibrant and alive. It is a 30 hour, overnight weekend of spiritual renewal being held right here at Mary Queen of Heaven.

A Men's weekend is scheduled for October 3-4, 2009 and the Women's weekend is scheduled for November 14-15, 2009. Mark your calendars! More information will be coming soon.

Parish News



WISH LIST

Do we have a lighting architect in the Parish? We are looking at improving the lighting system in Barrett Hall.



CONSISTENTLY SUPPORT ALL OF HUMAN LIFE IN ITS VARIOUS STAGES AND CIRCUMSTANCES

Everyone, adults and youth, are invited to the 1st meeting of the Mary Queen of Heaven Pro-Life Committee on **Thursday, April 16 from 7-8:30 pm in the Conference Room.** The purpose of this committee will be to help to make our parish a center of life: a place to become informed about the issues, to assist maternity support services, to encourage and support those who serve people who have disabilities, are sick or elderly, and to encourage prayer and active, faithful citizenship in the reverence of life. Come and bring a friend!

WIDOWED?

COME EXPLORE THE TURNING POINT. AFTER GRIEVING - THERE IS NEW LIFE!

Are you widowed and still having difficult moments from time to time? Watch for more details on how you can move forward with the life that is now yours to lead, and how you can join an upcoming weekend retreat for widows and widowers.

When: August 8-9, 2009

**Where: Immaculate Conception Parish, Elmhurst
More information: Call 708-354-7211,
Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry Program**

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Sexual abuse is a sin and a crime. Victims of sexual abuse, in addition to contacting civil authorities, are asked to come forward to receive pastoral assistance. The Church has a responsibility to help victims of sexual abuse and to ensure that offenders are brought to justice.

Reports may be made to any pastor or to Mrs. Barbara Jarvis Pauls at (815) 263-6467. Contact DCFS at 1-800-25-ABUSE.



8TH GRADE MAKE A DIFFERENCE PROJECT MALAWI

As Father Tony has mentioned before, each 8th grade religious education class has been given \$100 to spend as they wish. Mr. and Mrs. Gusloff's 8th grade R.E. class has chosen to use the \$100 given to them to help an orphanage in Africa. They will bring a native from Africa to come and speak. Anybody may wish to join this event.

On **Sunday, April 19th, after 10:30 mass**, please come and hear Edward Mbewe. He is originally from Lilongwe, Malawi, Africa. Edward will come on April 19th to speak about life in Africa, as well as the orphanage his mother has been running for quite a while. **If you wish to come, please bring any type of school supplies as a donation.** He will send the collected supplies to the children living at the orphanage. This event will be very rewarding to not only Edward, but the 8th graders of Mr. and Mrs. Gusloff's class who put together this gathering for their make a difference project.

Hope to see you April 19th after 10:30 mass!



LIKE BEING OUT IN THE FRESH AIR?

Volunteers needed of any age- Sunday May 3rd - Work an hour or two in the Pathway of Peace Labyrinth behind Mary Queen near the playground.

What needs to get done?

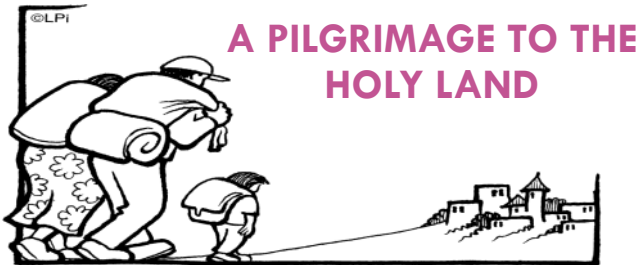
- We need to lift each stone or brick up, turn to the side, add some gravel with a coffee can and put the brick back. We are raising the bricks up, because over time the grass has been growing over them.

We are looking for ten to thirty volunteers for **Sunday May 3rd for one or two hours between the times of 12:30 and 4:00 pm.**

Bring a coffee can or sturdy bucket, pitch fork if you have - we will provide some also.

Thank you, Debbie and Randy Styka
email debbie@computronics.com or
call 630/941-7224

Parish News



12 Days: November 30 – December 11, 2009
Under the Spiritual Direction of Fr. Tony Taschetta

Co-sponsored by Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services, with the Office for the Missions for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois and the Joliet Diocese Peace and Social Justice Ministry as your hosts, this pilgrimage will include visits to the Holy Places, the "Ancient Stones", important to the People of God. We will walk where Jesus walked. We will also take time to visit God's Holy People, the "Living Stones", the Palestinian Christians who live in Israel/Palestine.

\$2,499 Special Cash Discount Price / \$2,618 Standard Base Price. For complete details please visit www.paxjoliet.org/events or call 815-834-4028.



ALWAYS REMEMBER

In no other religion does God so identify Himself with man as He does in ours. The pagans were amazed to hear how much the God of the Christians had done for them. They thought up their gods as they pleased; they could make their gods do anything they wanted them to do. Yet never did they dare invent a god who loved men so extravagantly as our God loves us. God the Father has sent His Divine Son to redeem us. God has made us rich in grace by giving us Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Let us always thank Him for this goodness, this mercy, this overwhelming generosity. (from Visits to the Blessed Sacrament) We must always remember and adore. Happy Easter!

The Visitation-Mary Queen of Heaven adoration chapel is open 24/7. Come to 799 S. York Rd.

EASTER



Parish Calendar



PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS APRIL 12 - APRIL 19

Sunday, April 12, 2009 - Easter

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Church/Social Hall/School 13, 4-5
 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM Easter Mass in Church
 12 noon

Monday, April 13, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

Tuesday, April 14, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
 9:00 AM Yoga in Barrett Hall
 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Baptism Prep Class in Church

Wednesday, April 15, 2009 - Federal Income Taxes Due

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
 3:15 PM - 8:15 PM RE Classes in School
 7:00 PM - 8:15 PM Grade 8 Video Presentation in Barrett Hall

Thursday, April 16, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Preschool Open House
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Pro-Life Committee Mtg. in Conference Room
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Choir Rehearsal in Church
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM New Wine in School 4-5,13

Friday, April 17, 2009

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

Saturday, April 18, 2009

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM First Communion Bread Breaking in Church and Barrett Hall
 3:30 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM MQH Mass in Church

Sunday, April 19, 2009

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Church/Social Hall/School 13, 4-5/
 Conference Room
 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Masses
 9:30 AM - 12 noon Preschool Open House
 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM 8th Grade Project Malawi in Barrett Hall
 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in Church



MARKET DAY

Orders for April are due Monday, April 20 at noon. Turn in your order form in the box in the back of church or at the rectory. Pickup on Saturday, April 25, from 9:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Social Hall. If you have questions or would like to place an order, please call Karen at 630-279-4108 or Beth at 630-833-5469 or email her at ekujawa121@sbcglobal.net.

Christian Education News



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 16 from 5:30pm to 7:30 pm
Sunday April 19 from 9:30 am to noon

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



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 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

Sunday, April 26 - Confirmation in Church at 2:00 PM.

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.

Baby Alexander Ross
 Florence Konkolewski
 Peggy Luckey
 Vicky Nied
 Bruno Turkula
 Lauren Woods

Diocesan News

DIOCESAN JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Diocese of Joliet is looking for Family Service Representatives. The Family Service Representative is accountable for pre-need and at-need cemetery sales, and provides exemplary personalized service as the primary contact with individuals and families. Other duties as assigned.

Necessary qualifications include a minimum of two years cemetery sales, or sales experience in a similar field. Must be customer service focused and have a good working knowledge of computers; and a high level of compassion and integrity along with the ability to multi-task and set priorities. Position based on salary and commission. Normal work week, Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and some Saturday (on a rotating basis) and evening appointments will be required. Full time with benefits.

Send cover letter and resume to: Nancy Siemers, Director of Human Resources, Diocese of Joliet, 402 S. Independence Blvd., Romeoville, IL. 60446, or email: nsiemers@dioceseofjoliet.org.

Gospel Verse

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

- Jn 20:8-9

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, APRIL 18 - SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2009

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Lector	D. Novar A. Novar	K. Passarelli	C. Dunn
Eucharistic Ministers	M. White (S) S. Pingatore (C) M. Conway G. Los G. Pstrzoch R. Styka D. Styka	D. Bernstein (S) J. Eichorst (C) T. Sabel G. Regan K. Biggs K. Vicary M. McCall	D. Justus (S) K. Mueller (C) K. Gusloff P. Twardowski B. Quist M. Quist K. Mueller J. Lindberg P. Mason
Altar Servers	N. Simon N. Simon J. Alonso	B. Gornick G. Gornick C. Gornick	J. McDonough M. McDonough S. Lewand



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 12, 2009

8:30 AM † Joseph and Jeff Heldak
10:30 AM † Aristituto Villamil
12:00 noon All Parishioners

Monday, April 13, 2009

8:30 AM † Helen Nemec

Tuesday, April 14, 2009

8:30 AM † Joe Bruno

Wednesday, April 15, 2009

8:30 AM † Carol Reitmeyer

Thursday, April 16, 2009

8:30 AM Communion Service

Friday, April 17, 2009

8:30 AM † All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, April 18, 2009

4:30 PM People of Mary Queen

Sunday, April 19, 2009

8:30 AM † Albert P. Kabat
10:30 AM † Dr. José J. Alonso De La Torre

Readings for the Week of April 12, 2009

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31



Church Support

Collection Totals for: Sunday March 29, 2009	
Adults	\$6,734.00
Children	\$55.00
Total	\$6,789.00
Sunday April 5, 2009	
Adults	\$9,083.06
Children	\$57.47
Total	\$9,140.53

ParishPay

Making it Easier to Give

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Contact www.parishpay.com,
or call 866-PARISH-1 for further information.

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Enter www.goodsearch.com for web site.
Type "Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Church" into the "I support" box, & click "verify". Continue your search.

The Risen Christ

A Tale to Tell



**A COLLEGIATE BIBLE STUDY
THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST
ACCORDING TO:
MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE AND JOHN**

**Joins us on Monday nights starting April 13 from
9:30 pm to 11:00 pm**

**Meet in Bryan Room, upper floor of the Frick Center
at Elmhurst College**

- Monday April 13 - The Gospels
- Monday April 12 - Matthew
- Monday April 27 - Mark
- Monday May 4 - Luke
- Monday May 11 - John
- Monday May 18 - Closing

**For questions, please contact Steven Borello,
seminarian at Visitation Parish at
sborello@gmail.com**

**GET A CLEAN SLATE!
PURE AS THE DAY
OF YOUR BAPTISM**



**VISITATION
PARISH**

**779 S. York Rd.
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**Invites you to receive
the *graces* of His Mercy
promised on**

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 19, 2009

(FR. MATTHEW PRATSCHER PRESIDING)

1:30 P.M.

**CONFESSION (5 PRIESTS)
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

3:00 P.M.

**INCENSING OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT
GOSPEL READING & DIVINE MERCY
HOMILY
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
LITANY OF DIVINE MERCY
BLESSING WITH
THE RELIC OF ST. FAUSTINA
BENEDICTION
BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS OBJECTS**