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# January 10, 2010 Baptism of the Lord

#### 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-4:30pm

#### **Pastoral Staff**

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Rev. John Barrett Pastor Emeritus

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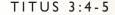
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When the kindness and generous LOVE of God our savior appeared, not because of any righteous DEEDS we had done but because of his MERCY, He SAVED us through the bath of rebirth and RENEWAL by the Holy Spirit.







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#### Note from the Pastor



I watch very little TV. But when I do, with clicker in hand, I channel surf throughout all that basic cable has to offer. Either I am getting really old and curmudgeonly or our culture really is degenerating into moral nihilism. Case

in point: reality TV. I confess I have never seen a reality TV show all the way through. I can't. It's too painful. Former New York Times Reporter Chris Hedges has done a wonderful job in articulating the problem.

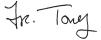
He takes on matters of celebrity, fame, and success in our "reality TV" culture. "The moral nihilism of our culture licenses a voyeurism into other people's humiliation, pain, weakness and betrayal." If you show signs of education, transparency or sharing, you will most likely be ridiculed and voted off any reality show.

What is it that attracts us to such virtual garbage that masquerades as reality? It may be the same thing that used to hook us to the soap operas. No matter how bad my life may be, or how entrenched my moral failings may be, they are nothing in comparison with the people I'm watching on television. Compared to Jon and Kate + Eight, I look pretty good. It's a really sad way to look good.

My greatest gripe with reality TV, however, is that it is not real. It deals in the dualistic illusion that life is divided between the winners and the losers, and some goofy arbitrary judge (have you ever seen Flavor Flav?) who decides who wins and who loses. It's a zero sum game and we are shown that it is okay to do anything (lie, cheat, steal, stab your partner in the back) in order to win. What's most sad about all this is that the betrayal of reality TV gives us the impression that this is the only game in town. This is reality. And it is an insult to the Great Reality.

In the Great Reality, all are invited to win. And in order to win, you don't even have to win. You just need to become aware that your infinite worth is not predicated on getting ahead of someone else. It's a given. You've already won. You will not be voted off the island. Now, that's a Reality that I can live with. Can you?

In Jesus, the Reality of God,





#### **Parish News**

### WELCOME NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Father Tony and the Parish Pastoral Council introduce and welcome it's newly discerned members:

> Ginny Dolesy, Mike Messersmith, Pat Naples, Alan Ray, and

Teen Members: Alec Van der Karr and Donald Loresch

Cybele Japzyck, Tony Stensa and Pam Thorpe will join the Parish Pastoral Council in May after three of the current members finish their term.



## HAVE YOU NOTICED THE IMPROVEMENTS?

Mary Queen is starting to show signs of age. There are two ways of aging: gracefully or falling apart. We want

Mary Queen to age gracefully so it is very important to take good care of her, to keep her buildings and grounds well maintained and fixed.

Toward this end we have been blessed with Leslie Otto of our parish who is the appointed Director of Facilities. Under his watch and considerable organizational skills we have done a great deal to keep Mary Queen in tiptop shape.

To continue to do so it is imperative that if anything is to be done concerning our buildings and grounds that we go through Les who will help us coordinate our activities. If you need to contact him you can call the office or his home at 630-833-7371.



## YOGA CLASSES EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Please bring a yoga mat.
9 - 10 am Thursdays January 14 and 21
Call Debbie with any questions at 630-941-7224.
Classes \$4 each or \$6 for families

#### **WELCOME JOLIET SEMINARIANS**

We welcome Deacon Stephen Eickhoff from St. Peter and Paul parish in Naperville who will be speaking at all the Masses on Vocations. The Lord continues to call. It is imperative that we listen.

#### **Parish News**

#### WELCOMING **CATHOLICS HOME** (WCH)



Are you or is someone you know a Catholic who has been away from the Church for awhile and has recently come back? No matter how long you have been away, no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Church. Queen offers a special program for those who are seeking answers to questions about returning/coming home to the Church.

Please join us for informal listening sessions and an update of the Catholic faith facilitated by members of the parish which include some former non-practicing Catholics. The next program starts on January 24. We'll meet for six consecutive weeks on Sundays from 11:45 am to 1:15 pm.

For more information about this program or to register, call the Welcoming Catholics Home Coordinator, Donna Klopacz at 630-832-3618.

#### THANK YOU FROM ELMHURST **EXTENDED CARE CENTER**

Dear Mary Queen of Heaven Parishioners,

Thank you very much for your gracious donation of Christmas gifts. You have been so faithful over the years. The residents were so happy with their gifts. They made comments like: "This is the perfect color.", "I love this.", "I needed a new purse.", "This will keep me warm.", "It is so beautiful." Your generosity is very much appreciated by the care center, residents and family members. May God bless over and watch over each and everyone of you. Thank you again for the gifts, for each gift that was given was an expression of Christ's love for us.

> Happy New Year, Cindy Gauryl, Activity Director

BAPTISM OF THE LORD









#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY 10 - JANUARY 17**

#### Sunday, January 10, 2010

RCIA in Social Hall/School Rooms 5/6,13 8:00 AM - 11:30 AM 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

#### Monday, January 11, 2010

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Liturgy Meeting

#### Tuesday, January 12, 2010

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM CRHP (Men) in Social Hall 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM **Baptism Preparation in Church** 

#### Wednesday, January 13, 2010

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

#### Thursday, January 14, 2010

8:30 AM Communion Service 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Yoaa in Barrett Hall 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM Kindergarten Yoga in Barrett Hall 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM New Wine in School Rooms 4-5, 13

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Choir in Church

7:30 PM - 9:15 PM Peace and Justice Comm. Mtg. in Conf. Room

#### Friday, January 15, 2010

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

#### Saturday, January 16, 2010

3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Bible Study Sign Up/ Book Sale in Church 3:30 PM Confessions in Church 4:30 PM MQH Mass in Church

#### Sunday, January 17, 2010

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Social Hall/School Rooms 5/6,13 Bible Study Sign Up/Book Sales in Church 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass in Church 11:30 AM - 1:15 PM Youth Group - Destiny in Class Room 1

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

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Youth Group - Wings to Heaven

#### **MARKET DAY**

Orders for January are due Monday, January 18 at noon. Turn in your order form in the box in the back of church or at the

rectory. Pickup on Saturday, January 23, 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.

#### **Parish News**



#### LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY

Since 2005, Mary Queen's Adult Education and Spirituality committee has sponsored 13

Bible Studies. This season is the prayerful study of the Passion and Resurrection Narratives of all 4 Gospels, the core of the Scriptures. We will begin the week of February 1 and go for 7 weeks, ending the week of March 15. There are various times and days of the week to choose a group, day and evening. Join us, even if you have never participated before. There are no prerequisites.

Our sign-up weekends are January 16 & 17 and January 23 & 24. The cost is \$13.00 for the 2 books. Please see Fr. Tony if you need assistance to purchase them.

Use this as a Lenten preparation, beginning Lent with some prior planning instead of from a dead stop. Come and learn some new ways of changing our behavior to become more as Jesus was. Please join us in this study as we prayerfully study the 4 Gospels, expecting to change our lives, becoming a New Creation, just in time for Easter.

#### **HELP WITH NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS**

Is your New Year's Resolution is to eat right and not to feed your self and your family

"fast food"? Even if it's not...come join Cathy Levelle from College of DuPage to teach us about nutritious easy meals. Cathy will show us how to prepare fast easy meals that are good for you too. You will be able to sample some of her recipes and save room for desert.

#### January 19, 2010 Barrett Hall at 7:00 pm

Any questions call or e-mail Cheryl DeSantis 630/279-3148 or desantis@comcast.net Brought to you by your CCW

#### **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.

> Kristeen Dotson **Daniel Spratt**

#### **Christian Education News**



Please mark your calendars: Saturday, January 23 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM Confirmation Retreat for 8th graders in Barrett Hall. Families are asked tο join their

Confirmation candidates for Mass at 4:30 in church on the 23rd.

Wednesday, February 10 - 7:00PM in church. Parents of children celebrating First Eucharist in the spring will meet.

For more info on any of the above, please call Mary Ann Woods at the REO, 630-832-8962.



#### MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN **PRESCHOOL AND** KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

Come visit us! Open House Dates:

January 31, 2010 9:30 a.m. - noon

**February 4, 2010** 5:30 p.m. - 7:30p.m.

February 21, 2010 9:30 a.m. - noon

March 4, 2010 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

For additional information please contact: Mrs. Liz Lowrey, Director Mary Queen of Heaven Preschool mqhpreschool@aol.com (630) 833-9500

www.maryqueenpresschool.org

#### **Diocesan News**

#### 2010 JOLIET DIOCESE CATHOLIC **CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS**

Fr. Paul Hottinger Deacon John Freund Presider

Assistina

St. Margaret Mary Church 1450 Green Trails Drive Naperville, IL 60540 Friday, January 15, 2010 at 7:30 PM

For more information call Joey Rose at (630)941-7304

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, JANUARY 16 - SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2010			
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta
Lector	K. Passarelli	F. Tremmel	B. Nosek
Eucharistic Ministers			R. Styka (S)
	G. Los (S)	M. Kelly (S)	D. Styka (C)
	B. Eadon (C)	K. Vicary (C)	P. Twardowski
	B. Lawlor	B. Nosek	P. LeTourneau
			J. Spears
Altar Servers	E. Zielinski	M. Bourke	N. Morgan
	S. Blaszak	G. Gornick	A. Morgan
	C. Ceper	C. Gornick	J. Vosicky

Saturday:



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, January 10, 2010

8:30 AM † Dino and Adeline Fuggigi

† Dora Rizzo

10:30 AM All Parishioners

#### Monday, January 11, 2010

8:30 AM All Parishioners

#### Tuesday, January 12, 2010

8:30 AM † Michael Newell

#### Wednesday, January 13, 2010

8:30 AM All Parishioners

#### Thursday, January 14, 2010

8:30 AM Communion Service

#### Friday, January 15, 2010

8:30 AM † Thomas Emnis

#### Saturday, January 16, 2010

4:30 PM All Parishioners

#### Sunday, January 17, 2010

8:30 AM † Jean Allen

10:30 AM All Parishioners

† indicates person is deceased

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#### Readings for the Week of January 10, 2010

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or 40:1-5, 9-11/

Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Collection Totals for December will be published in the bulletin of January 17, 2010.

Sorry for the inconvenience.



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