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January 31, 2010
Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

*Love is patient, love is kind.
It is not jealous, it is not pompous,
it is not inflated, it is not rude,
it does not seek its own interests,
it is not quick-tempered,
it does not brood over injury,
it does not rejoice over wrongdoing
but rejoices with the truth.
It bears all things, believes all things,
hopes all things, endures all things.*

I CORINTHIANS 13:4-7

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



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

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Note from the Pastor



We are in the midst of what is commonly called the dead of winter, the lull of Ordinary Time and the dark quiet time before the lengthening (Lent) of days to come. Those will be days of new beginnings, spiritual resolutions and action. Those days are not here yet. These are the days

of quiet reflecting and taking our spiritual pulse so that we know what actions will be appropriate when the time comes.

In economics we have both leading and lagging indicators. They help us to determine appropriate actions to take for our future well being. In the spiritual life, we have leading and lagging spiritual indicators as well. One of the leading indicators of where we are in our spiritual life is what I call the "reaction principle." How do I react, how fast do I react, how thoughtful are my reactions, and do I react at all?

There is a wonderful story about the syndicated columnist, Sydney Harris, who was a most thoughtful and insightful man. Everyday he would buy his newspaper from the same street vendor. Everyday the vendor, in a foul mouthed mood, would make some derogatory remark about Sydney's previous day's column. Every day, Sydney would smile, nod his head, thank him for the newspaper and bid him a wonderful day. One day, a companion observing this ritual asked Mr. Harris, "Is he that miserable every day?" "Ah, yes he is." "And are you always that kind to him?" "Yes, pretty much that's how I respond every day." "Why?" "Because I'm an actor, not a reactor."

There's the principle. One of the ways to take our spiritual pulse is to watch our various responses to situations, people and stimuli. Do we react instantly out of our catalogue of preprogrammed responses, or do we choose to act in a different way? It all depends on whether we are spiritually conscious or unconscious. Most of us live 95% of our lives unconsciously. The work of the Spirit is to bring us to full consciousness, full awareness, and what the mystics call Christ consciousness.

Now there are times when we need to unconsciously react immediately to a stimulus-response. There are other times when no response is the best response. I drive a little Ford Focus and for the most part like it except for one glaring flaw. It has a serious blind spot on the driver's side. No matter how intently I look in the side view mirror, there are times when I can not see the car crawling up next to me. Our night watchman, and member of my household, Butch Knudsen, insists there is no such thing. I just don't know how to adjust the mirrors. Last week, as he was driving me to the airport on my aborted trip to Albuquerque (can you

imagine New Mexico being snow bound?), he began his merge off of 290 East onto 294 South and all of a sudden, he made a radical swerve to the right, just missing the car merging the other way. Now that was a good reaction, instantaneous and instinctive. The first words out of my mouth, however, were not such a good reaction. Without even thinking, I blurted out from my preprogrammed categories, "I told you this car had a blind spot." To which he had a reaction, not quite nuclear, but close. Let the games begin. And they did. What came out of both of our mouths was purely reactive babble, not too hurtful, but not really helpful either. We both spoke unconsciously from our reservoir, our pre-existing convictions, also known as our dark side.

Now, this rather innocuous story illustrates how we continue to react unconsciously. So, how do we take our spiritual pulse in this situation? We do it by employing our "observing witness." The observing witness is almost like another person inside of ourselves that has the ability to watch our self while we are reacting. In truth, this is our truest self. When I am really frustrated and screw things up big time, I may find myself saying, "I can't stand myself. I can't live with myself." Well, who is this "I" that can't stand "myself?" It seems like there are almost two people there. Well, no, there is only one, but one is our idea of our self, our concept of our self, all of the cultural conditioning that makes us who we think we are. Thomas Merton called this the false self, or the little self, or the egoic self. The true self is who I really am before conditioning or culture, or before someone told me I was good or bad or smart or ugly. The observing witness simply is our true self watching, without *judgment* or *emotion*, how the little me is reacting. Now, I don't quite know how this works, but it does. If you watch it long enough, without judging it or being frustrated by it, or even trying to change it, it begins to fade away. I imagine this happens because we are now bringing to consciousness, basically an unconscious reaction. And in the depth of our souls, we see silly it really is.

This is the time in between. It's a great time to take our spiritual pulse. Is it beating?

In Jesus, the Whole Consciousness and Awareness of God,



Fr. Tony

CCW LADIES GAME NIGHT



Tuesday, February 16, 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 Cheryl
630-279-3148

Please fill out the form below and
return it to the basket in the back of
church or to the parish office before
February 14.

Name _____

Phone Number _____

CANDLELIGHT BOWL

Sponsored by Mary Queen of Heaven CCW



Join us for a fun evening
At Stardust Bowl in Addison
On Saturday, February 6, 2010
Beginning at 8 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 31st.
Please return your reservation form
And payment to the rectory or to
Cheryl DeSantis, 561 Fay St., Elmhurst

Make checks payable to
Mary Queen of Heaven CCW.
For more information,
call Cheryl at 630-279-3148

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Parish News

WELCOMING CATHOLICS HOME(WCH)



- ◆ Have you, a family member, or a friend been away from the Church?
- ◆ Do you wish to return but don't know how to go about doing it?

Want to explore these and other questions about our Catholic faith? Then these 6 informal sessions that Mary Queen is hosting on Sundays from 11:45am to 1:15pm are for you!

Week 2	Jan 31	Common Ground
Week 3	Feb 7	Who is the Church?
Week 4	Feb 14	Walk Through the Mass
Week 5	Feb 21	The Sacraments
Week 6	Feb 28	The Creed

At each session, a team of fellow "returned" Catholics, will welcome, listen, discuss, share, and pray with you. For more information about this program or to register, call the Welcoming Catholics Home Coordinator, Donna Klopacz at 630 832-3618.

WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME



Come! Spend some time in prayer during Eucharistic Adoration on **Monday, February 1**. You are invited to begin the day with 8:30 Mass. Adoration begins after Mass and ends with **Benediction** at 7:00 PM. **All** are invited to join us **any** time during the day, **as well as for Benediction**. We continue to need someone to "adopt" the 3:00 hour on a permanent basis (there is backup if you need to be away sometimes). Please contact **Kay Diggins at 630-530-7214**, or **Rose Wilkes at 630-833-7238** with questions or to sign up..

HANDICAPPED SEATING

This past summer and fall saw the installation of the new handicapped parking area, entry walkway, and door on the north side of the church. The kneelers were removed from the front two pews on the north side of the church to make them more accessible. This week we have installed signs on both ends of each pew stating "Reserved for Handicapped." Either the Priest, a Minister of Communion, or both will deliver Communion to those people in the Handicapped pews. We want to make Mass a good experience for all God's people.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 7

Sunday, January 31, 2010

- 8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Social Hall/School Rooms 5/6,13
- 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
- Elmhurst Walk-in Ministry Food Collection
- 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM Bible Study Leaders Materials pick-up in Conference Room
- 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Preschool Open House in School
- 11:45 AM - 1:45 PM Welcoming Catholics Home in Social Hall

Monday, February 1, 2010

- 8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
- 9:00 AM - 7:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration in Church
- 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Bible Study in Conference Room

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

- 5:00 AM - 8:30 PM Voting in Mary's Gathering Place
- 8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
- 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Bible Study in Conference Room
- 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM CRHP (Women) in Social Hall
- 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Bible Study in Conference Room

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

- 8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
- 3:15 PM - 8:15 PM RE Classes
- 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Bible Study in Conference Room

Thursday, February 4, 2010

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

Friday, February 5, 2010

- 8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

Saturday, February 6, 2010

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

Sunday, February 7, 2010

- 8:00 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Social Hall/School Rooms 5/6,13
- 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
- 11:30 AM - 1:15 PM Youth Group - Destiny in Class 1
- 11:45 AM - 1:45 PM Welcoming Catholics Home in Social Hall
- 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in Church
- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Youth Group - Wings in Social Hall

MEDICATIONS COLLECTION

The Peace and Justice Committee of our parish is planning to collect expired drugs / medications (over-the-counter and prescription) which parishioners would like to dispose of responsibly. These medications will be collected the weekend of February 20 - 21. Please mark your calendar.

Parish News



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN 10TH ANNUAL SUPERBOWL PARTY

Sponsored by Mary Queen of Heaven
Men's Group

Sunday, February 7, 2010
5:00 pm til ?
Barrett Hall

Bring something to share (appetizer, snack or desert)
B.Y.O.B.

Please join the Men's Group and their families for a late afternoon of fun watching one of the year's biggest televised events, the 2010 Super Bowl. The 10th annual party will be held at Mary Queen and the Game will be televised on the Big Screen! The Men's Group will provide homemade chili and soup for everyone. All Families and Individuals attending are being asked to bring something to share like an appetizer, snack, or desert.

Christian Education News



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

We are currently accepting Registration for the 2009-2010 school year. 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
(630) 833-9500
mqhpreschool@aol.com
www.maryqueenpreschool.org



A **special Thank You** to all who helped with our Confirmation Retreat last weekend. In particular, thank you to Kathleen Gusloff who did an outstanding job of

facilitating the retreat along with the assistance of Tom Gusloff, to our 8th grade catechists, and to the following high school teens: Samantha Caskey, Ben Gornick, Lewis Holmes, Madeline Marsen, Laurel Miner, James and Tricia Rhea, Eric Reisenbuckler, Amanda Smith, and Rebecca Wermling, who gave up their entire Saturday to share their faith with our 8th graders. But most of all, we give a shout out to our 8th graders who showed us that we will be leaving our church in very capable hands. We are all very proud of them.

Wednesday, February 10 - Gr. 2 parents of First Communicants are expected to attend a special meeting at **7:00PM** in Church. Fr. Tony will be the featured speaker.

Wednesday, February 17 marks the beginning of Lent. **There is no regular RE class.** Parents are asked to bring their children to Ash Wednesday prayer services in church at **Noon or 4:00PM.** You are also welcome to attend Mass with the distribution of ashes at 8:30 AM or at 7:00PM.



MQH PRESCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT

Thursday, February 25
6 PM
Barrett Hall

\$25 per couple or \$15 individual

All adult friends & families are invited!
To participate or for more details,
please email mfuchsen@msn.com or
call Margaret Fuchsen

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6 - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2010

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta
Lector	A. Grozik M. Grozik	K. Sutkus	C. Dunn
Eucharistic Ministers	M. White (S) J. Fuschen (C) C. Reisenbuckler	A. Grozik (S) J. Eichorst (C) K. Vicary	P. Mason (S) R. Marro (C) K. Gusloff R. Styka D. Styka
Altar Servers	C. Ceper S. Lewand M. Jankovec	G. Gornick C. Gornick J. Nosek	M. McDonough M. McDonough S. Pierzchala



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 31, 2010

8:30 AM † Ann Mariello
10:30 AM † Franz Frank

Monday, February 1, 2010

8:30 AM Bud Rogers

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

8:30 AM All Parishioners

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

8:30 AM Francis Emnis

Thursday, February 4, 2010

8:30 AM Communion Service

Friday, February 5, 2010

8:30 AM All Parishioners

Saturday, February 6, 2010

4:30 PM † Bill Kevil and George Cibula

Sunday, February 7, 2010

8:30 AM † Loretta Vero
10:30 AM † Theresa Dufalo

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of January 31, 2010

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11



Church Support

Collection Totals for: Sunday, January 24, 2010	
Adults	\$8,603.00
Children	\$95.21
Collection Total	\$8,698.21
Haiti Earthquake Fund	\$1,795.00

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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.

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

BH	Barrett Hall
C	Church
Conf R	Conference Room
PODR	Parish Office Dining Room
MGP	Mary's Gathering Place
SH	Social Hall

1
9:00 AM - 7:15 PM
 Eucharistic Adoration
 in C
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

2
5:00 AM - 8:30 PM
 Votng in MGP
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 CRHP (Women) Mtg. in SH
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

3
3:15 PM - 8:15 PM
 RE Classes in School
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

4
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 Preschool Open House
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 New Wine in School 4-5,13
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Choir in C
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM
 Men's Group in BH

5
7:00 PM
 Stations of the Cross in C

6
3:30 PM - Confessions
4:30 PM - Mass in C

7 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM - 11:30 AM
 RCIA in C/SH/School Rm 5/6,13
8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses in C
11:30 AM - 1:15 PM
 Youth Group - Destiny in Class 1
11:45 AM - 1:45 PM WCH in SH
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in C
5:00 PM - ?? Superbowl Party in BH
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Wings in SH

8
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

9
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 CRHP (Men) Mtg. in SH
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.
7:30 PM - 9:30 PM
 Baptism Preparation in C

10
3:15 PM - 8:15 PM
 RE Classes in School
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 RE First Communion Parent Mtg. in C
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

11
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 New Wine in School 4-5,13
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Choir in C
7:30 PM - 9:15 PM
 Peace & Justice in Conf. R.

12
7:00 PM
 Stations of the Cross in C

13
3:30 PM - Confessions
4:30 PM - Mass in C

14 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM - 11:30 AM
 RCIA in C/SH/School Rm 5/6,13
8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses in C
11:45 AM - 1:45 PM
 Welcoming Catholics Home in SH

15 Presidents Day
NO MGH PRESCHOOL
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 Parish Commissions Mtg. in BH

16
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 CRHP (Women) Mtg. in SH
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
 CCW Game Night in BH
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

17 Ash Wednesday
8:30 AM - Mass
NO RE CLASSES
8:30 AM - Ash Service
4:00 PM - RE Ash Service
7:00 PM - Mass
8:00 PM - 9:30 PM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

18
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 New Wine in School 4-5,13
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Choir in C

19
7:00 PM
 Stations of the Cross in C

20
9:45 AM - 10:30 AM
 Market Day in SH
10:00 AM - 11:15 AM
 Ladies Day Yoga in BH
3:30 PM - Confessions
4:30 PM - Mass in C
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
 RCIA in BH

21 First Sunday of Lent
8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses in C
9:30 AM - 12 NOON
 Preschool Open House
10:00 AM - 12:45 PM - RCIA in SH
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM - Fellowship in BH
11:30 AM - 1:15 PM
 Youth Group - Destiny in Class 1
11:45 AM - 1:45 PM
 Welcoming Catholics Home in SH
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM - Baptisms in C
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Wings in BH

22
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 Parish Council in PODR

23
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 CRHP (Men) Mtg. in SH
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 Lector Workshop in C.
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

24
3:15 PM - 8:15 PM
 RE Classes in School
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Bible Study in Conf. Rm.

25
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM
 MGH Preschool Parents Night Out in SH
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
 Preschool Trivia Night in BH
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 New Wine in School 4-5,13
 Building & Grounds in Conf R
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
 Choir in C

26
NO MGH PRESCHOOL
7:00 PM
 Stations of the Cross in C

27
3:30 PM - Confessions
4:30 PM - Mass in C

28 Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM
 RCIA in C/SH/School Rm 5/6,13

8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses in C
11:45 AM - 1:45 PM
 Welcoming Catholics Home in SH

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
 Peace & Justice Video and Discussion in SH

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 Parish Mission in Church