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Through him we have received the grace of apostleship, to bring about the obedience of faith, for the sake of his name, among all the Gentiles, among whom are you also, who are called to belong to Jesus Christ. ~Romans 1:5-6

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December 19, 2010

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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-4:00pm

Pastoral Staff

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Note from the Pastor



Here we go again. Are you ready? Of course not! We never are. There's too much to do. We want that perfect Christmas but it's always just outside our reach. We're always one or two

ornaments short, one or two presents shy, one or two calls not made. There's always someone we forgot or worse someone we remember who forgot us. Then there's the in-laws (let's not go there) and the outlaws (and the office Christmas party).

It's going to be too much and not enough. Too much food, too much to drink, too many social responsibilities, too many (way too many) toys and too many expectations. And it won't be enough. No matter how perfect it's supposed to look in our mind, the perfect Christmas won't be because it can't. No one day, no matter how meticulously planned can fulfill the vision of sugar plums dancing in our heads.

May I make a humble suggestion? Forgetaboutit. Don't even try to make the perfect Christmas. The great truth is we don't have to go out to Christmas, all we need do is be humble enough and empty enough and hungry enough and it will come to us.

We do not sing, "Go Emmanuel," no we sing, "Come Emmanuel." We don't need to chase after some elusive and impossible happiness. It will always be just beyond our grasp.

But if we, like Mary have the humility to wait in silent stillness, He will come. He promised He would. Our job is not to orchestrate and create joy that is already here to be recognized.

Are you ready for that? It's not all that hard. It's not a matter of doing but of \it{not} doing. Of waiting and watching and seeing.

This Christmas, let the last words in the Bible be our first, "The Spirit and the bride (that's us) say 'come'. Come Lord Jesus, come Emmanuel." We will not try to create You, we will wait for You.

Come Emmanuel!

Fre. Toney



Christmas Eve Friday, December 24

4:00 PM Children's Liturgy

6:30 PM Family Mass

10:30 PM Choir Music

11:00 PM Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Saturday, December 25

8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Mass (No Saturday evening Mass)

Feast of Holy Family

Sunday, December 26 - 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

Mary Mother of God

Friday, December 31 - 5:30 PM Saturday, January 1 - 10:30 AM

Mass of Epiphany

Saturday, January 1 - 4:30 PM Sunday, January 2 - 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM



Parish News





Due to the Christmas Holiday, articles for bulletins for the month of December will have the following deadlines:

For Bulletin On	Articles due by noon
Sunday, December 26	Wednesday, December 15
Sunday, January 2	Wednesday, December 22
Sunday, January 9	Friday, December 31

Also, starting with the bulletin of January 9, 2010, the bulletin deadline will be moved to Fridays at noon.

Thank you for your cooperation.

DROP IN YOGA CLASSES

9:00 am - 10:00 am Jan 6, Jan 13, Jan 20

Meet us in Barrett Hall - with a yoga mat Call Debbie 941-7224 to be put on her email list for automatic Yoga invites or any questions at all.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS DECEMBER 19 - DECEMBER 26

Sunday, December 19, 2010

7:45 AM - 12:00 PM RCIA in School Rooms 13, 4-5, 11-12 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass in Church 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Destiny Brunch in Barrett Hall 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Children Christmas group practice

(Dance & Tableaux) in Barrett Hall 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in Church

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM Children Christmas group practice

(Dance & Tableaux) in Church 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Wings to Heaven Christmas party

in Barrett Hall

Monday, December 20, 2010

MQH Mass in Church

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Commission Meeting in Barrett Hall

Tuesday, December 21, 2010

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM CRHP (Women) in Social Hall

Wednesday, December 22, 2010 **No RE Classes**

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

Thursday, December 23, 2010

8:30 AM Communion Service in Church 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM **Building & Grounds Committee** in Conf. Room

Friday, December 24, 2010 - Christmas Eve

Christmas Children's Liturgy 4:00 PM Christmas Family Mass 6:30 PM 10:30 PM Christmas Choir Music 11:00 PM Christmas Midnight Mass

Saturday, December 25, 2010 - Christmas Day

8:30 AM Christmas Day Mass 10:30 AM Christmas Day Mass

Sunday, December 26, 2010

Feast of the Holy Family

8:30 AM Feast of the Holy Family in Church 10:30 AM Feast of the Holy Family in Church

CHRISTMAS





Parish News

FR. TONY'S HOMILIES FOR 2010 AVAILABLE ON DISK

We are now taking advance orders for a 7-DVD set of Fr. Tony's homilies from 2010. The set includes 40 homilies from 2010 and they will be available in early January. The set is available as DVDs you can play on your TV or computers, or as audio CDs (9 CDs) you can play in your car or on any CD player. The cost of the set is \$25 if you pick it up at the parish office. If you would like the disks shipped to you, please add \$5 for postage and packaging. To place an order, contact the parish office at 630-279-5700. Please contact Fr. Tony if help is needed with the cost.

Also, the order form for other Mary Queen events is available at www.maryqueen.org

SCHEDULING OF EVENTS AT MQH

All MQH organizations MUST fill out a Reservation Form in order to reserve a room for your meetings **4 weeks** in advance. You may download the Schedule of Events Calendar Form from:

http://www.maryqueen.org/calendar/ scheduleForm.pdf

and submit it to the Parish Office via fax or by e-mail at **facilities@maryqueen.org**. Please notify the Parish Office if your meeting is canceled or moved. You can take a look at the monthly calendar of events at:

http://www.maryqueen.org/calendar/ calendar.html

FAQ: When should I fill out a form? You must fill out a form if you want to reserve a room for your event, if you need tables set up for your event and/or if you want the event to appear in the website and bulletin's monthly and weekly calendar.

Christian Worship Commission



Please call 630-279-5700 to have a name added to our list. A new listing will appear in bold face. 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.

Kristen Jacobsen Elkins Jorge I. Gómez Carmen Hernández Alfred Martin Mark Poedtke

Christian Education News



On behalf of all of us in the REO, we wish you a most holy and happy Christmas.

Please mark your calendars:
There is no RE on the following Wednesdays
because of the Christmas break:
December 22, 29 and January 5.

Classes will resume at the normal times on Wednesday, January 12, 2011.

For more information on any of the above, please contact Mary Ann Woods at the REO,
(630) 832-8962 or email at mghmawoods@sbcglobal.net.



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

Gospel Verse

Behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

- Mt 1:20-21

Diocesan News

HAVE YOU SEEN THOSE ADS ON TV?

During Advent and Christmas, the Diocese of Joliet has partnered with the Diocese of Rockford and Archdiocese of Chicago on a new evangelization initiative. This effort will use TV commercials that will air through January 2011 on most networks in English, Spanish, and Polish. We encourage our parishioners to pray for those who have drifted from their practice of the faith, and to invite them to join us at Mary Queen of Heaven.

Men Seeking Holiness

Fr. Burke Masters and the Diocese of Joliet are sponsoring a retreat entitled "Quaerens Sanctitudo", which means "Men Seeking Holiness" from December 27 (5pm) until December 29 (noon) at the St. Charles Borromeo Pastoral Center. This is for all young men, married or single, ages 18-35. Several seminarians from the Diocese of Joliet will be helping with the retreat. We will focus on the universal call to holiness, with talks on silence, virtue, authentic masculinity, chastity, discernment, healing and vocations. Cost for the retreat is \$20, which includes five meals and lodging for two nights. For more information orto register contact the Vocation Office at dojnora@aol.com or 815-834-4004.

Inaugural Christmas Festival of Music

Christmas Concert for the Needy December 19 from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. St. Patrick's Catholic Church 710 West Marion Street - Joliet, IL 60436 Call (815) 727-4746 for more Information

Come Visit our New Adoration & Daily Mass Chapel Adoration from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. The St. Pat's St. Vincent de Paul Society will **Provide Refreshments**

Most people do not see the call to holiness as their first priority in life. If anything, the tendency of many is to run in the opposite direction. For those who love and trust God, however, living holy lives, while providing great challenges can bring some of life's greatest rewards. Jesus shows us through stewardship, the way to these rewards.

Year of the Eucharist



Diocese of Joliet Official Biography for



Patron Saint of the Year of the Eucharist December:

> Saint Juan Diego (1474 - 1458)

Saint Juan Diego was a native of Mexico in the fifteenth century. He was baptized when he was fifty

years old. On the hill of Tepeyac, Juan was graced with an apparition of the Blessed Mother, who deigned this simple man to be her messenger to the bishop, requesting him to build a chapel on the site of the apparitions. She told Juan that she was the Mother of the true God and of all the faithful. She wanted a place where her children could come seek her intercession and receive her motherly care.

Our Lady placed her image on Juan's mantle. The miraculous image, which is preserved in the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City at the bottom of the hill of Tepeyac, shows a woman with native features and dress, supported by an angel whose wings are reminiscent of one of the major gods indigenous to that area and wearing a black girdle about her waist, signifying that she is pregnant. The image depicts the fact that Christ is to be "born" again among the peoples of the New World. Mary desires that all people be drawn into the family of the saints in Christ, as Christ comes to us and unites all peoples to himself at every Mass.

Juan lived the remainder of his life as a hermit, caring for the chapel.

His feast day is December 9.

Corporal Work of Mercy: to cloth the naked

Spiritual Work of Mercy: comfort the afflicted



Christmas Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24						
	4:00 PM	6:30 PM	11:00 PM			
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta			
Lector	M. McCall	R. Wilkes	E. Walker			
Eucharistic Ministers	B. Lawlor (S) B. Eadon (C) M. Conway L. Loresch G. Los M. Zelinski D. Justus	T. Sabel (S) M. Kelly (C) H. Todd C. Reisenbuckler P. Le Tourneau K. Vicary M. Wolak	B. Nosek (S) M. Grozik (C) A. Grozik R. Styka D. Styka M. Japczk K. Gusloff			
Altar Servers	J. Alonso J. Vosicky M. Piszczor	A. Frank N. Simon N. Simon	J. Race J. Nosek J. Nosek			

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25 - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26					
	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	
Lector	K. Sutkus	T. Kowalski	G. Dolesy	S. Napolilli	
Eucharistic Ministers	K. Diggins (S) M. White (C) D. Bernstein S. Pingatore T. Nanak G. Regan J. Eichorst K. Carambot	R. Morro (S) K. Mueller (C) B. Quist M. Quist P. Mason T. Kevil J. Spear	G. Regan (S) D. Bernstein (C) T. Nanak T. Sabel A. Grozik B. Nosek M. Kelly	B. Quist (S) M. Quist (C) J. Spears P. Le Tourneau P. Mason R. Morro R. Styka D. Styka	
Altar Servers	J. Mirretti D. Bolivar	H. Rossiano I. Wiegel S. Pierzchala	I. Weigel J. Race J. Vosicky	A. Frank M. Piszczor	









Sunday, December 19, 2010

8:30 AM † Albert Allen † Thomas Lavin 10:30 AM

Monday, December 20, 2010

8:30 AM † Richard Montana

Tuesday, December 21, 2010

8:30 AM † Rose Reilly

Wednesday, December 22, 2010

8:30 AM † Lino Magnelli

Thursday, December 23, 2010

8:30 AM Communion Service

Friday, December 24, 2010 - Christmas Eve

4:00 PM † Albert Fuchsen 6:30 PM † Faye St. Pierre 11:00 PM † Thomas Emnis

Saturday, December 25, 2010 - Christmas Day

8:30 AM † Jeane Allen 10:30 AM † Sandra Salvatore

Sunday, December 26, 2010

8:30 AM † Victor Budden

† Honorah and Thomas O'Donovan

† Margaret and Daniel Emnis

10:30 AM Jorge, Susana and Claudia Gómez

† indicates person is deceased



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Collection Totals for: Sunday, December 12, 2010			
Adults	\$10,389.31		
Parish Pay	\$3,166.16		
Children	\$39.80		
Collection Total	\$13,595.27		

Thank you for your continued support!

Readings for the Week of December 19, 2010

Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24 Sunday:

Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38 Monday:

Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Lk 1:39-45

1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56 Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66 Thursday:

Friday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/

Lk 1:67-79

Saturday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/

Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

ls 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Midnight: ls 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Dawn:

ls 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/ Day:

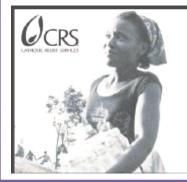
Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-7, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or

3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

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