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• "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son...'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast." ' " Mt 22:2, 4bc

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October 9, 2011

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 Thurs.: Mass Fri.: Communion Service First Friday of the month: Mass

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

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Note from the Pastor



FROM THE ARCHIVES

It is well over two weeks now that the world's largest funeral has taken place. The reverberations of it are still resounding in hearts and minds

throughout the world. Especially in a very special group. Young people. From the moment of his installation in 1978 to the day of his death, John Paul II has been a magnet for young people. The question is, why? What has attracted millions of young people throughout the world to this old man? It has to be more than his hobnobbing with rock stars such as Bono or his entertaining break dancers who spun on their heads before him. It was more than even the sum total of words that he spoke that most moderns didn't want to hear, words of discipline and self-denial. What attracted young people to him? Their insatiable need at their particular age for greatness. And John Paul II in many ways can be termed The Great.

Recently, there have been some breakthrough studies in the connection between the development of the human brain and transcendence. In particular is the work of Joseph Chilton Pearse in his book The Biology of Transcendence. In it he states that the brain is wired to move beyond the little ego, the little world into an ever expanding world of transcendence connectedness to all people, to all of creation and to the Divine. Present neuroscience (and this is science) shows that we are slowly wired for a bigger and bigger picture until we come to a full realization that all are one in one. Now this is highly dependent on having living models and personal nurturers to take us from one stage to the next. We cannot grow in this ever expanding awareness without models mentoring. And if we are not modeled or mentored well, our potential for emotional, psychological and most importantly spiritual growth dies off. This tragically occurs daily.

The modern discoveries of the brain tells us that while we are in-utero billions of brain cells are created. These cells must be stimulated at certain periods in our lives called brain surges. If during a brain surge they are not stimulated, the neurons do not make connections and unused and unstimulated brain cells die off. This is why early childhood development is so absolutely and utterly critical.

The first brain surge is from birth to age one. If you have been around a newborn, you begin to understand that after the first couple of months every day for her is a new discovery. You can almost watch the cells connecting to each other every time you gaze upon her and she gazes upon you. It is as if she is downloading your soul because in reality, even biologically, she is. My youngest granddaughter, Ariel, is now seven and half months old. Every day I watch her make a new discovery and the more we gaze at her and talk to her and love her and stimulate her, the faster she grows. The first year of life is critical. But it's not the only one. There are four more brain spurts that must be attended to. One when the child is four years old, another when they are seven (the so-called age of reason), another when they are about eleven (ah, the wonder of fifth grade - my favorite year to teach), and then a big one between the ages of 15 and 18. This is the brain surge we are neglecting terribly today.

This last brain surge in which the neurons begin to stabilize and the myelin sheath grows over them starts at about 15 (the age when they begin to drive us crazy). The evidence seems to be that the hard wiring of the brain is getting one last chance to connect with the transcendent. This is why we see in the kids this incredible desire to do something great, to be someone great. While it may not look like it, nor may they use the language to describe it (they don't even know what they are looking for) they are seeking the face of God - The Ultimate. Now, sadly, because there are so few mystics and models and saints to translate for them their experience and point them in the right direction, they settle for false gods and on rock and movie stars. They alue themselves to the television to see and emulate who will be the next American Idol (and the operant word here is Idol). They want to be part of the Important, the Big, the Powerful.

In ancient cultures and civilizations, young men between 15 and 17 were taken away from the tribe and taught cosmology. They were then connected to the stars, the real stars, the universe. They were being wired to understand that they were part of something great, something bigger than themselves, something worth self-sacrificing for. Now, when the Great Stuff is not manifested and modeled for the young person, this small stuff takes over the life of the adolescent. He will become egocentric. He will seek an agenda and fall into the lie that has been written by our culture. It says

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you cannot be too rich, too thin, too famous, too... fill in the blank (God knows you've got a thousand models to do so). Now because you are wired for something so much more, your great vision begins to die off and you become satisfied and search for that which can never satisfy and will lead you on an empty search. If there is no initiation into the Big Picture, the myelin sheath solidifies and the danger is that we become cynical and negative. I'm no longer part of something great, it is the great cosmic disappointment. And in the face of the lack of greatness we revert into the reptilian brain that says the world is divided between good guys and

bad guys, fight and flight, tribe against tribe, me against the world. When all we see ourselves as is a hammer, all the world looks like a nail.

Enter the mystic, enter the saint, enter John Paul II. He instinctively and intuitively knew the heart and the mind of the young person. He knew the wonderful ideals that they wished to live by. And so he gave them an impossible dream, something to shoot for way beyond themselves. At every World Youth Convention, he would proclaim the same theme, "You are the light of the world." And the kids, millions of them throughout the world, responded to this one man's call to greatness. But many, many millions did not, could not hear. As good as the media is, it is no substitute for direct immediate experience. And that is what our young people need today.

Just as all politics is local, so all religion is local. If our young people are going to hear their own personal call to greatness, they have to hear it here. Here. At Mary Queen of Heaven. In their own backyard, in their own home. Where are our mystics and mentors and saints? Actually, they are all around us. They simply need to give voice to their own experience of the Divine and to be willing to call and mentor the next generation to be truly all that they can be. John Paul II knew that and now we know it as well. So what are we going to do about it?

In Jesus our mystic model and hero,

Fre. Toney

Parish News



THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE **CLOSED ON MONDAY**, **OCTOBER 10 DUE TO THE COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY**



FALL BIBLE STUDY The Adult Ed and Spirituality Commission

is offering a Bible Study session this Fall to help better understand our Mass as it exists and the changes taking place. Our study begins the week of October 10, 2011 and will continue for 6 weeks. There are three sessions available: Tuesday morning at 9:00 am, Tuesday evening at 7:30 pm or Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm. The book is \$8.00 and will be available to purchase at that time. If you need assistance with the fee please contact Lynn Suwanski ((630) 530-0503) or Father Tony.



MQH MEN'S GROUP 11TH ANNUAL NIGHT AT THE RACES ON NOVEMBER 11TH!

The MQH Men's Group would like to invite all men and women of the parish to enjoy a Night at the Races. The event will take place at Maywood Park Racetrack on Friday Nov. 11. Tickets are \$25 per person. This includes Free Valet parking, Clubhouse Admission, Program and All You Can Eat Dinner and Desert Buffet. The dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. and goes until 9:00 p.m. There will be multiple races throughout the evening starting just after 7:00 p.m.

Tickets will be available after all masses beginning the weekend of October 15-16. Cash or checks (made out to Bob Glick) are accepted. Feel free to Contact Bob Glick with any questions at (630)833-5725 or (630)235-1756.

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





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FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY OCTOBER 16

Our next MQH Fellowship will be held in Barrett Hall on Sunday, October 16, im-

mediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Coffee, tea, juice and delicious goodies will be served. All are invited. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend and enjoy food and fellowship with other parishioners and their families.



Mary Queen of Heaven is having a clothing drive for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul the weekend of November 5 and 6. Your donations will benefit the needy, so now is a good time to clean your closets. We are in need of "gently used" winter clothing for persons of all ages and sizes and especially children's clothing. Also needed are small household items: dishes, glassware, cookware, small clean working appliances, knickknacks, lamps, linens, toys, books, jewelry, etc. Sorry but no furniture will be accepted at the clothing drive.

The STVDP truck will be in our lot from Saturday morning (Nov. 5) until 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6. Receipts for your donations are always available. Please help us help others!

All Women of the Parish are invited GOING GREEN, LITTLE STEPS Tuesday, October 18 7:30 pm in Barrett Hall



Learn some new ways to recycle. Answer some recycling questions to possibly be the winner of a few practical "green" prizes. You can also share some of your Reducing, Recycling, and Reusing tips. If you have an old pair of eyeglasses, bring them tonight and we will drop them into a LIONS Club box to be re-used. You can also bring any old gym shoes. Bring some locally made goodies, or your own homemade items to share or cheese, or cut apple slices, something produced in the US, or the Midwest.

Any questions, email <u>debbie@styka.com</u> or call (630) 941-7224



CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCTOBER 9 - OCTOBER 16

Sunday, October 9, 2011

8:30 AM MQH Mass

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Social Hall/ School Rooms 13,4-5

10:30 AM MQH Mass

Monday, October 10, 2011 - Columbus Day Parish Office Closed

8:30 AM MQH Mass

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM CRHP (Men) in School Room 13

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

8:30 AM MQH Mass

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Bible Study in Conf. Room
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Baptism Class in Church

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

8:30 AM MQH Mass 3:15 PM - 8:15 PM RE Classes in School 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Bible Study in Conf. Room

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Friday, October 14, 2011 DEADLINE BULLETIN ARTICLES OCTOBER 23

8:30 AM Communion Service

Saturday, October 15, 2011

3:30 PM Confessions 4:30 PM MQH Mass

Sunday, October 16, 2011

8:30 AM MQH Mass

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Social Hall/ School Rooms 13,4-5
10:30 AM MQH Mass (Confirmation Commitment Mass)
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Fellowship in Barrett Hall

11:45 AM - 1:00 PM Wings to Heaven in Social Hall

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



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

For information please contact:
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MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2011

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Lector	D. Novar A. Novar	R. Villamil	P. Reynertson
Eucharistic Ministers	M. White (S) B. Lawlor (C) M. Zelinski R. Liljegren S. Pingatore T. Sabel K. Passarelli	D. StaRosa (S) G. Curtis (C) M. Grozik N. Williamson K. Vicary D. Bernstein	P. Mason (S) P. Twardowski (C) K. Gusloff T. Gusloff R. Marro R. Melendez P. LeTourneau T. Kevil
Altar Servers	J. Alonso K. Lewand S. Lewand	S. Pierzchala J. Reginelli H. Rossiano	J. Race C. Letourneau D. Bolivar



Collection Totals for: Sunday, October 2, 2011		
Adults	\$7,973.62	
Parish Pay	\$3,118.16	
Children	\$15.11	
Collection Total	\$11,106.89	

Thank you for your continued support!



Sunday, October 9, 2011

8:30 AM † Robert Cranmer 10:30 AM † Donald O'Keefe

Monday, October 10, 2011

8:30 AM † Edna Jane Cambell

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

8:30 AM † Robert Parchem

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

8:30 AM All Parishioners

Thursday, October 13, 2011

8:30 AM † Ralph St. Pierre

Friday, October 14, 2011

8:30 AM Communion Service

Saturday, October 15, 2011

4:30 PM Intentions of Jim and Sheila Ahern

Sunday, October 16, 2011

† Albert Fucshen 8:30 AM 10:30 AM † Anna Mae Kinsella

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of October 9, 2011

ls 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/ Sunday:

Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32 Monday: Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41 Tuesday: Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Lk 11:42-46 Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54

Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7 Friday:

Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12 Saturday:

Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

A huge Thank You to our over 100 volunteer catechists, aides, office

helpers, hall monitors, traffic monitors, etc. It truly takes a village to share our faith with all the children in our RE program. We could not do it without you. All our positions have now been filled. Please keep the children, families, staff and their families in your prayers. Continue to exercise extreme caution in the parking lot on Wednesdays. With the days getting shorter, our little people are more difficult to see.

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