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January 1, 2012

*Mary, the Holy
Mother of God*

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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*Happy
New Year*
2012

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Note from the Pastor



And Now We Begin ... Again

Blessed, Holy 2012. Those were the same words I wrote for my *Note From the Pastor* in the year 2000. At that time, the entire world was all a-twitter (long before the fashion) about the end of the world. The year 1999 was the year of Y2K. All computers were going to crash. Surprise, they didn't. But between then and now everything else has. The symbol of our exceptionalism came crashing down in 2001. Peace came crashing down and we became a nation at war. Most recently, banks have collapsed, housing has melted down and the economy is? We are barely struggling to get out of the greatest recession since the Great Depression. The Church's response to all of this? *Et cum spiritu tuo* (our proclivity to fiddle while Rome burns knows no bounds).

That last sentence is not only unfair but untrue. If, indeed, the Church is the Q'hal Yahweh (the gathering of God's people), the Body of Christ in space and time, then it knows that if one part of the body suffers all of the body suffers. Our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, is well aware of the melt down and the global crisis we are in economically, socially and spiritually. Socially, he has called for particular care and support for the poor throughout the world. Spiritually, he has called us back to Christ. And there is no better place to go.

Today we begin a new year and the question, as always, is where do we go from here? Not only do we ask how do we make it better but also how do we live a fuller life? It is time for New Year's Resolutions. The problem with them is that most often they go unfulfilled. This year I am going to lose 20 pounds. Wanna bet? This year I am going to do all I possibly can to make sure that the Cubs win the pennant. Now there's a sure thing. No, resolutions don't work.

So may I suggest an un-resolution. Since the faster I go the behinder I get, may I suggest not going so fast? Since the more I do, the less gets done, may I suggest doing less? And the busier I am, the more tired I become. May I suggest a little rest? How many times have we heard, "Don't just stand there, do something." May I suggest that you "don't just do something, stand there."

Make an un-resolution. This year instead of being so actively active, let us be actively passive. What that means is to stand in the Presence of the Divine and rest in the arms of God. It simply means that history is unfolding as it will, crises will come as it they choose. There is so much we have so little control over. And God knows it all. Our holy work this year must be to trust in the Lord as He takes us through the labyrinth of life. Our work is to go along for the ride with Him knowing that, though there will be detours and dead-ends, the Lord will see us through the drama of life. And that's a promise.

And so we begin a new year. Blessed, Holy 2012.

In Jesus, Our Guide,

Parish News



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL
BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, JANUARY 2**

The family of Mary Queen wishes
you a Happy New Year!

Prayer List



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. We hope that you will pray for these persons every day.

Baby Sophia Kathleen Nolan
Brenda Scanlon

Parish News



CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH WEEKENDS - FEBRUARY 2012

CRHP is a 30 hour overnight spiritual renewal weekend given by fellow parishioners of Mary Queen of Heaven who have lovingly been in formation to give you this gift. The cost is minimal (\$35 suggested donation) but the rewards will last a lifetime.

The Men's weekend is February 11-12, 2012 and the Women's weekend will be February 25-26, 2012. Contact Karen Sutkus at (630) 279-3240 or ksutkus1@comcast.net for information or Deacon Tom Nolan at: thomasdeacon@sbcglobal.net.



New Year's Schedule

Mary the Holy Mother of God

Saturday, December 31 - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 1, 2012 - 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Mass of Epiphany

Saturday, January 7, 2012 - 4:30 PM

Sunday, January 8, 2012 - 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM



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COFFEE HOUSE STYLE EVENING AT MARY QUEEN

A night out in Barrett Hall sponsored by CCW

Friday - January 13,

Heather Styka concert and sing-a-long

(with memorable songs from the 30's to the 70's)

Come listen or sing

Doors Open at 7:30 p.m. and the music starts at 8:00 p.m.

For ages 3-103

(only requirement - must appreciate music!)

Check out Heather's music at

www.heatherstyka.com



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Good friends find pleasure in one another's company. Let us know pleasure in the company of our best Friend...who loves us beyond measure. (St. Alphonsus Liguori) Come and adore Him during our next day of Eucharistic Adoration on **Monday, January 2** starting after 8:30 a.m. morning Mass until 7:00 p.m. when we close the day with Benediction. We are still in need of people to step up and "adopt" an hour. Please call **Kay Diggins at 630-530-7214, or Rose Wilkes at 630-833-7238** with questions or to sign up.



GOSPEL OF MARK SUNDAY STUDY

You are invited to join the continuing study of the Gospel of Mark, on Sunday mornings, between 8:30 and 10:30 Mass (9:40) for 30 minutes. Meeting dates are January 8, 15, 22, 29. Please bring your bible. If you need a new one, notify Lynn. Meeting place is the Conference Room in Mary's Gathering space. For more information, call Lynn Suwanski at (630) 530-2523.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

There is no class on January 4, 2012. RE Class sessions will resume at the normal time on Wednesday, January 11, 2012.

Please mark your calendars: Saturday, January 28 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. Confirmation Retreat in Barrett Hall with Mass at 4:30 p.m. – Parents and Sponsors invited

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE			
SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2012 - SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2012			
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta
Lector	D. Novar A. Novar	G. Dolesy	S. Napolilli
Eucharistic Ministers	D. StaRosa (S) G. Curtis (C) K. Diggins K. Passarelli L. Loesch G. Los H. Todd	M. Kelly (S) K. Vicary (C) G. Regan J. Eichorst J. Unger D. Bernstein	J. Lindberg (S) K. Mueller (C) D. Styka R. Styka D. Justus G. Pstrzoch J. Spears M. McCall
Altar Servers	TBA	TBA	TBA



Church Support

**Collection Totals for:
Sunday, December 18, 2011**

Adults	\$8,613.00
Parish Pay	\$3,454.16
Children	\$42.50
Collection Total	\$12,109.66

190 parishioner envelopes were used.
109 parishioners contributed
via Parish Pay.
Thank you for your kindness
and generosity.

**Collection Totals for December 25
will be published in the
January 15 Bulletin**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 1, 2012 - New Year's Day

8:30 AM † Rev. Thomas O'Keefe
10:30 AM † Anna Marinello

Monday, January 2, 2012

8:30 AM † John Rumpf

Tuesday, January 3, 2012

8:30 AM † Albert Fuschen
† Robert Lawlor, Jr.

Wednesday, January 4, 2012

8:30 AM † Hermina Loncsar

Thursday, January 5, 2012

8:30 AM All Parishioners

Friday, January 6, 2012

8:30 AM † Helen Colucci

Saturday, January 7, 2012

4:30 PM † Ralph St. Pierre

Sunday, January 8, 2012

8:30 AM † Mary Kessler
10:30 AM † Walter Wayne

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of January 1, 2012

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29--3:6/Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Jn 1:43-51
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Mk 1:7-11 or
Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 2:1-11
Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

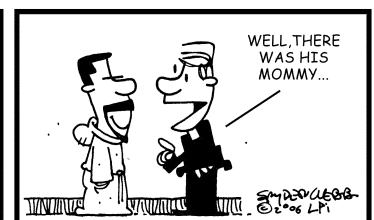
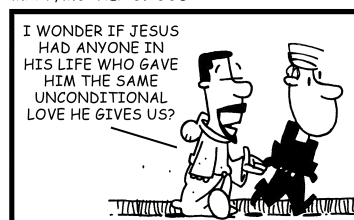
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MARY, MOTHER OF GOD



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 <i>Mary, Mother of God</i> <i>New Year's Day</i> 8:30 & 10:30 AM Mary Mother of God Masses 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in C</p>	<p>2 9:00 AM - 7:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration in C</p>	<p>3 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry in Room 4-5 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee Mtg. in Conf. Room</p>	<p>4 NO RE CLASSES</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 DEADLINE BULLETIN Jan. 15, 2012 6:30 PM - 10:30 PM Pot Luck for CRHP in BH</p>	<p>7 3:30 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass</p>
<p>8 <i>Epiphany of the Lord</i> 8:30 & 10:30 AM MQH Masses 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Gospel Mark in Room 9-10 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Men's CRHP in Conf Rm 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Youth Grip Wings in BH 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Men's CRHP in Conf Rm</p>	<p>9 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Business Networking Meeting in SH 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Men's CRHP in Room 13</p>	<p>10 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Women's CRHP in BH 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Baptism Class in C</p>	<p>11 3:15 PM - 8:15 PM RE Classes in School</p>	<p>12 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM St. Vincent DePaul Mtg. in BH</p>	<p>13 DEADLINE BULLETIN Jan. 22, 2012 7:30 PM - 10:00 PM Coffee House and Sing-Along in BH</p>	<p>14 3:30 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass</p>
<p>15 <i>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:30 & 10:30 AM MQH Masses 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Gospel Mark in Room 9-10 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Men's CRHP in Conf Rm 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Fellowship in BH 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in C</p>	<p>16 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Commissions Mtg. in BH 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Men's CRHP in Room 13</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 3:15 PM - 8:15 PM RE Classes in School</p>	<p>19 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry in Room 4-5</p>	<p>20 DEADLINE BULLETIN Feb. 5, 2012</p>	<p>21 3:30 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass</p>
<p>22 <i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:30 & 10:30 AM MQH Masses 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Gospel Mark in Room 9-10 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Men's CRHP in Conf Rm 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Youth Group Wings in BH 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Men's CRHP in Conf Rm</p>	<p>23 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Business Networking Meeting in SH 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Men's CRHP in Room 13</p>	<p>24 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Women's CRHP in BH 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM CCW Board Mtg. in SH</p>	<p>25 3:15 PM - 8:15 PM RE Classes in School</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 DEADLINE BULLETIN Feb. 12, 2012</p>	<p>28 Walk-In Ministry Food Drive in C 10:00 AM - 4:15 PM Confirmation Retreat in BH/SH 3:30 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass</p>
<p>29 <i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Walk-In Ministry Food Drive in C 8:30 & 10:30 AM MQH Masses 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Gospel Mark in Room 9-10 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Men's CRHP in Conf Rm 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Men's CRHP in Conf Rm</p>	<p>30 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Men's CRHP in Room 13</p>	<p>31</p>				

BH	Barrett Hall
C	Church
Conf Rm	Conference Room
SH	Social Hall