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April 8, 2012

*Easter Sunday of
the Resurrection of
the Lord*



Easter Sunday

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. Required Baptismal preparation on the 2nd Tues. at 7:30 p.m. Call Deacon Tom 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



Easter Sunday

And now for the easy part. *Resurexit Sicut Dixit* He is risen as He said. For the past 30 years or so I have begun every Easter message with this incredible sentence: He lives! He is risen just as He said He would. Oh death, where is your victory? Oh death, where is your sting?

If he did not rise, according to St. Paul, we are the most pitiable and foolish of all people. But He did. There are witnesses. Mary Magdalene saw Him alive, Peter, James and John saw Him alive. The disciples on the road to Emmaus recognized Him in the breaking of the bread, alive. And we? Why do look for the living among the dead? He is not here. He is risen. Alive!

So how long do you want to live? As a little boy attending my first wake for a little 8 year old girl, I remember begging Jesus to let me live to at least 9. When I was nine I asked for fifteen. At fifteen, I wanted thirty-five. At thirty-five, fifty. At fifty, at least to retirement at seventy. And at seventy? Well, of course, I want to dance and my youngest **granddaughter's wedding. How long do I want to live?** Forever!

No one wants to die. And yet, and this is what we celebrate big time today, there is no life without death. Rising from the dead is the easy part. It is almost automatic. The hard part is the dying. We continually cling to what is passing away: our youth, our energy, our health... and even our hair. But like all things mortal, they are dying. It is a truism that the moment we are born is the moment we begin to die. Life is a continual process of learning how to let go and it takes a lifetime to learn. The baby clings to its mother, a child clings to its blanket, the adolescent, his or her first love. We cling to our possessions, our power, our prestige. We cling to our children and our parents. We are the ultimate cling-ons.

And yet the secret of life is learning how to let go. Why? Because it is the only way that we will get more life, truer life, deeper life. We can only come into the world when we let go of the womb. We can only enter into school when we let go of our little household world. And so the process goes throughout all of our

lives. How true, how true. The easy part is living, the hard part is letting go and dying.

And the last dying is the most difficult of all. I was recently on the phone with one of my former parishioners who is dying. She is very aware of it and is not afraid. She is, however, very sad that she will be leaving the people she loves. And yet, as she participates in her own dying, she dares to believe that there is something more. We know that we are more than just this mortal form. There is something eternal and divine in us. Our faith tells us so but so also does our experience. In the core of our being, because we want to live forever, (and that desire is utterly universal) we *shall* live forever. All we have to do is the hard part, to die. Unless the grain of wheat falls to the earth and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat. But if it dies... if it dies... watch out. Resurrection, new life. And today we celebrate that new life. It is the life of the resurrected Christ who tasted death that all might live. He is the first born of the living who will live forever. And so shall we. How? By now you know the drill.

If you want to live, you have to die. And dying is the hard part. But the life that it brings? Ahh, new life. **L'chaim.** Today we celebrate that life. First in Jesus who rose from the dead, and then in ourselves. We remember those members of our family who have died in Christ and now fully live on the other side of silence. We know that in our own mortality we shall follow, but that is not the end of the story. For we who dare to believe and trust in the Christ will share in His Eternal Life. Why? *Resurexit Sicut Dixit.* He is risen just as He said! And so shall we.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

In Jesus, the Lord of the Living,

Fr. Tony



Parish News



CALENDAR OF EVENTS APRIL 8 - APRIL 15

Sunday, April 8, 2012 - Easter Sunday

8:30 AM , 10:30 AM Easter Mass
12 noon

Monday, April 9, 2012

8:30 AM MQH Mass
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Business Network Mtg. in Social Hall
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM CRHP (Men) in Room 13

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

8:30 AM MQH Mass
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Bible Study Mark in Conf. Room
6:30 PM - 9:30 PM **Women's CRHP in Barrett Hall**
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Bible Study Mark in Room 9/10
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Baptism Preparation in Church

Wednesday, April 11, 2012

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

Thursday, April 12, 2012

8:30 AM MQH Mass in Church

Friday, April 13, 2012

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8:30 AM Communion Service

Saturday, April 14, 2011

10:00 AM 1st Communion Bread Breaking in Church
3:30 PM Confessions in Church
4:30 PM MQH Mass in Church

Sunday, April 15, 2011

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass in Church
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA Mistagogy
2:00 PM Confirmation Church/Barrett Hall

Religious Education News



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Our RE year is winding down and we are already starting to plan for next fall. Please begin to pray about how you can help in our program. As always, we will have some catechist and aide spots to fill. The faith formation of our children is in your hands. At this time, we know that we will have openings at all three sessions.

Please mark your calendars:

Wednesday, April 11

Confirmation practice in church at 6:00 p.m.
Candidates only.

Saturday, April 14

Second grade parent and child Bread Breaking session in church at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, April 15

Celebration of Confirmation at 2:00 p.m. in church.

Wednesday, April 25

Last RE class – All school food drive during session 3.

Registrations for the 2012-2013 RE year have been mailed out. If you would like to be put on our mailing list, please contact the REO. Remember parish registration is a prerequisite for registration in the Religious Education Program.

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

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE!

It's a go! There seems to be sufficient interest in putting together another parish pictorial directory. The photo times are scheduled for June 19-23. So, mark your calendars now and plan for your family photo! Diane Emich has agreed to coordinate this project, but she would appreciate some helpers! If you are able to help, please contact Mimi Nolan at the rectory (630-279-5700 ex. 122) or contact Diane directly at d.emich@comcast.net



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT SCHOOL YEAR

Open registration is ongoing for the preschool Tue/Thur class and the KEP class.

For information please contact:
Genet Pinkerton, Acting Director (630) 833-9500
Website: www.maryqueenpreschool.org
E-mail: mqhpreschool@maryqueen.org

Community News

ELMHURST WALK-IN MINISTRY

Please note these important opportunities to help support the Elmhurst Walk-in Ministry (EWIM).

Thursday April 19*

Francesca's Amici – 174 No. York St.

Thursday May 3*

Francesca's Amici – 174 No. York St.

Wednesday May 23*

Egg Harbor Cafe – 140 No. Robert Palmer Dr.

**No flyer is necessary to "Eat & Earn" – just tell your server you are dining for EWIM...Francesca's will contribute 15% and Egg Harbor will donate 10% of your tab during all open hours.*

The walk-in ministry is totally volunteer-run and donation-supported. Additional ways to help:

- pray for our volunteers and the families that we serve
- **donate gift cards for our clients' necessities** (any local gas station, Walmart, Shoe Carnival, or Subway)
- donate stamps or gift cards to an office supply store
- become a trained site volunteer
- bring your clean, gently-worn clothing to the clothes closet at First United Methodist Church
- make regular food & toiletries donations to the area food pantries at Immaculate Conception or Yorkfield Presbyterian Church
- and, of course, make a financial contribution...at least 93% goes directly to client services.

To learn more about EWIM, visit our website
www.elmhurstwalkinministry.org

MENTORS NEEDED FOR TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Catholic Charities is sponsoring a four session training course for persons interested in becoming volunteer mentors for families who were previously homeless and **are now participating in Catholic Charities' Transitional Housing Programs** in DuPage County. Mentors work directly with families, supporting them and helping them meet daily challenges. Volunteer mentors should be compassionate, non-judgmental, respectful and sensitive to the confidentiality required in order to preserve the dignity of the family.

Training sessions are free and will be held on four consecutive Tuesday evenings: May 1, 8, 15, and 22, 2012 from 7:00-9:00 p.m., at the Catholic Charities office located at: 26 W. St. Charles Road, Lombard. To register for the training, or for more information on Catholic Charities Transitional Housing ministries, please call (630)495-8008 ext. 2122. Please register before April 30, 2012.

Prayer List

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Samuel Barker
 John Brennan
 John Conley
 Baby Aiden Cook
 Neil McGovern
 Brenda Scanlon
 Mary Thorton
 Dennis White
 Patrick White



Please call the Rectory to add a name to our Parish Prayer List.

FASTER



MINISTRY SCHEDULE			
SATURDAY, APRIL 14		SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2012	
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Lector	B. Dunn	M. Grozik	S. Napolilli
Eucharistic Ministers	B. Lawlor (S) K. Passarelli (C) M. Conway M. Zelinski R. Liljegren S. Pingatore T. Sabel	D. Bernstein (S) G. Regan (C) J. Unger K. Vicary N. Williamson T. Nanak	T. Kevil (S) T. Gusloff (C) P. Mason P. Twardowski R. Marro R. Melendez P. Letourneau K. Mueller
Altar Servers	M. Piszczor C. Gornick M. McDonough	C. Letorneau C. McGovern C. McGovern	J. Vosicky B. Hernandez C. Hernandez



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 8, 2012 - Easter Sunday

8:30 AM *Easter Sunday*
10:30 AM *Easter Sunday*
12 noon *Easter Sunday*

Monday, April 9, 2012

8:30 AM † **Albert Fuschen**

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

8:30 AM † **George Major**

Wednesday, April 11, 2012

8:30 AM † **Robert Edward Ihms, Sr.**

Thursday, April 12, 2012

8:30 AM † **Theresa Dufalo**

Friday, April 13, 2012

8:30 AM *Communion Service*

Saturday, April 14, 2012

4:30 PM † **Edmund Grunwald**

Sunday, April 15, 2012

8:30 AM † **Patricia Timothy**
10:30 AM † **Helen Colucci**

† indicates person is deceased



Church Support

Collection Totals for:
Sunday, March 25, 2012

Adults	\$6,951.00
Parish Pay	\$4,185.41
Children	\$18.87
Collection Total	\$11,155.28

176 parishioner envelopes were used.
134 parishioners - Parish Pay.

Collection Totals for:
Sunday, April 1, 2012

Adults	\$10,968.08
Parish Pay	\$4,185.41
Children	\$52.15
Collection Total	\$15,205.64

219 parishioner envelopes were used.
134 parishioners - Parish Pay.

Thank you for your kindness
and generosity.

Readings for the Week of April 8, 2012

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or
1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or
Lk 24:13-35
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31