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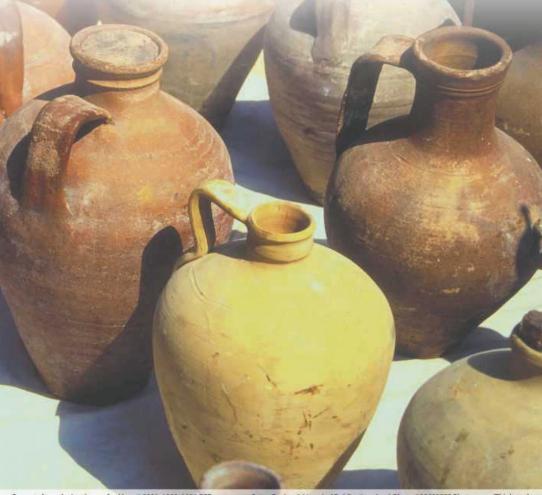
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January 20, 2013 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." — Jn 2:1-3



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

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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

Pastoral Staff

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Note from the Pastor



Ah, sweet Ordinary Time. Or is it? Today we enter into that rest between the Activity of Christmas and the discipline of Lent. A little bit of ordinary time. Business as usual. We put on our

ordinary green vestments and while it may not necessarily be easy being green, it's comfortable. Or is it? Or should it be?

There are certain events in all of our lives that have the potential for being a catalyst in changing our consciousness. And with the change of our consciousness, a change in our actions. Some of these events we've experienced as an individual or a family such as a death of a loved one. Some we experience as a community or even a nation. This coming Tuesday, the $22^{\rm nd}$ of January, we remember and recall one such event. It has called and will continue to call millions to a change of consciousness and many to a call for action. The event? The Supreme Court's decision legalizing abortion.

A few days from now there will be the annual march on Washington. With apostolic zeal, Catholics, Evangelicals and Muslims (strange bedfellows all) will form a coalition to combat what is seen as the taking away of the ultimate basic human right... the right to life. They are right to march. Not that Roe v. Wade is going to be overturned anytime soon (and if it were, the states would reinstate it) but to remind us of the sanctity of all life. It's a good reminder.

In a perfect world, no mother would dream of aborting the child in her womb. We live in a less than perfect world. Even the most ardent pro-choice person has to realize that the taking of any human life is always a tragedy. No one goes into an abortion clinic with a smile on their face. No, the vast majority go in because they are afraid and don't know where else to turn. They see no other alternative. Our work is to give them one.

Truth be told, if abortion were made illegal tomorrow, it would not stop abortions. It never has, and I am not sure if it ever will. But our work is to make it rare. Using abortion for birth control is absolutely unacceptable. How do we change that? How do we make adoption an easier choice for a young woman to make? And if a mother decides to bring her child to term, how can we assure her that we will help her take care of this child? We speak a lot

about the sacredness of life before birth, how about after? It seems that right now the political mood is to take away whatever resources and safety nets we have for the poor and redistribute them as tax breaks for those who don't need them. Is there something more we can do?

While the great debate about the sacredness of life will continue, we find ourselves in another great debate about how to best take care of those who are already alive... especially our children. Sandy Hook was one of those national events that have shaken our country to the core. In comparison to other civilized first world countries, we look like barbarians. We have killed and murdered more of our own through gun violence than all other first world countries combined. There is something wrong with this picture. So what do we do? Outlaw all guns? That will happen when abortion stops. In other words, it is not going to Just as there will be no universal, philosophical perfect solution to end abortion, neither will there be one to end gun violence. There is no perfect solution. As a matter of fact, as Voltaire has told us so accurately, "The enemy of the good is the perfect." The perfect doesn't exist (outside of God). But the good? There are so many good things we can and must do.

The first thing we need to do is to get our head out of the clouds. There is no perfect solution, no silver bullet. But we don't need never-ending magazine clips, we don't need armor piercing bullets, we don't need military assault weapons, and we don't need a culture that continually glorifies violence. There are concrete things we can and must do. And we in the Catholic Church should do it with the same zeal that we have for the right to life movement because this is a right to life issue. And at a time when everyone is calling for cutbacks in mental health we need to get our heads out of the clouds and into reality. According to Fr. Greg Boyle who works with gang members in Los Angeles, "The elephant in the room is mental health, which is something I see more and more with the gang population with whom I work... the largest mental health facility in the world is the Los Angeles County iail."

These events in our nation's life have spoken. It is time to respond. First steps will do.

In Jesus, the Way,

Fr. Toney

Parish News

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH SIGN-UP NOW! GIVE YOURSELF THE GIFT OF LAUGHTER

Men - February 9-10, 2013 Women - February 23-24

Sign-up for the Christ Renews His Parish weekend. Give yourself a gift of leaving the outside world behind for 30 hours.

Testimony:

When I made my weekend I barely knew some of the women that were participants with me. Others I only thought I knew. By the end of the weekend the some I thought I knew held great surprises for me and the other participants were no longer strangers they were friends. But the most surprising thing is the amount of side splitting laughter we experienced together during the weekend. brings Jesus to me more than laughter and we had plenty of that plus more on my CRHP weekend. Katie

Need a break? Need some spiritual renewal? Need some great laughs? Sign up for CRHP now. Questions - call Gregg Olalde at (312) 961-9442 or Donna Glick at (630) 303-1922.

CRHP MINISTRY IS HOSTING FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY ON **JANUARY 27**

All are invited to attend fellowship after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 27. Bring your family and join with other parishioners discussing how the holidays went or just in some lively conversation. Fellowship is being sponsored by the CHRP Ministry this month and if you have any questions regarding CHRP, please feel free to discuss them with the members that will be present. Don't forget to join us on Sunday, January 27 for juice, coffee, tea and delicious goodies.

26 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Parish Calendar



CALENDAR OF EVENTS **JANUARY 20 - JANUARY 27**

Sunday, January 20, 2013

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Room 13

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word in Room 2-3

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in Church 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM CCW Ladies Tea in Barrett Hall

Monday, January 21, 2013 - Martin Luther King Jr. Office Closed

8:30 AM MQH Mass

Tuesday, January 22, 2013

MQH Mass 8:30 AM

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Gospel John Part I in Conf. Room 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Preschool Board Meeting in Room 7 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Gospel John Part I in Room 9-10

Wednesday, January 23, 2013

8:30 AM **MQH** Mass 3:15 PM - 8:00 PM

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Gospel John Part I in Conf. Room

Thursday, January 24, 2013

8:30 AM MQH Mass 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Yoga in Barrett Hall

Friday, January 25, 2013

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8:30 AM Communion Service

Saturday, January 26, 2013 **Walk-In Ministry Food Pantry Collection**

10:00 AM - 4:15 PM Confirmation Retreat in Church/School/Barrett Hall

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Joyful Again Board Mtg.

in Parish Rectory Basement

3:30 PM Confessions 4:30 PM **MQH** Mass

Sunday, January 27, 2013

Walk-In Ministry Food Pantry Collection

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Youth Group - Destiny in Room 1

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA in Room 13

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word in Room 2-3

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Fellowship in Barrett Hall

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Youth Group - Wings in Barrett Hall

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON **MONDAY, JANUARY 21** DUE TO MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN FREE ICE SKATING AT THE EDGE ICE ARENA IN BENSENVILLE SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2013

Sponsored by Mary Queen of Heaven Men's Group and the Edge Ice Arena



The MQH Men's Group is sponsoring FREE Ice Skating for MQH Parishioners

Jefferson Street East Rink
735 East Jefferson Street, Bensenville, IL 60106
Sunday, February 10, 2013
from 2:40 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.

No pre-registration is required, but maximum capacity for the ice rink is roughly 200, so please come early.

Ice Skates will be available at the rink at no charge. If you have your own skates, feel free to bring them along.

For more information, call Paul Letourneau at 630-698-0081

Special thanks to Todd Finner, the Edge, and Tim Mueller from On The Level Home Inspections for helping sponsor this event for our MQH Parish!

Parish News

AMERICAN MUSLIMS: LET US DISCOVER COMMON GROUND

Mary Queen of Heaven Parish has invited Dr. Scott Alexander, Ph.D. (Associate Professor of Islamic Studies at the Catholic Theological Union) to discuss the lives of American Muslims and help provide insight to the Christian Community of common ground that exists between both faiths. Please join us for this opportunity to learn more about this important non-Christian religion and the experiences of many of our Muslim neighbors on February 3, 2013 at 11:45 a.m. in Barrett Hall.



FOOD COLLECTION!

The Food Collection for the Immaculate Conception/Walk-In Food Pantry will take place the weekend of January 26 and 27. Items needed include canned

fruit, vegetables, soup, prepared food, peanut butter, jelly, pasta and spaghetti sauce, baking items, toilet tissue, paper towels, kleenex, coffee, tea, juice, personal items i.e. bar soap, shampoo, deodorant and tooth paste. Baking items are also appreciated.

AUCTION DINNER DANCE UPDATE

All bills from the Auction Dinner Dance are finally in and we once again want to thank everyone who supported this event. Also, a special thank you to all who worked on the committee, helped out that evening and those who donated items for the Auction. Without everyone working together we could not have done it. The Auction/Dinner Dance was a great success and the net profit for out Needy Fund is \$15,822.34. THANK YOU AGAIN! All proceeds from this event will be used to help people in need pay electric bills, gas bills, sewer/water bills, assist with past due rentals, medicine and doctor bills in our parish and the surrounding areas.

PRAYER SERVICE & CANDLE VIGIL FOR LIFE

Tuesday, January 22 is the 40th Anniversary of the Roe v. Wade. Immaculate Conception Parish will be hosting the Elmhurst Interfaith Elmhurst Area Churches Annual Prayer Service and Candle Light Vigil for Life beginning at 5:00 p.m. Contact IC at (630) 530 -8515 for additional information.

Parish and Religious Education News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Please mark your calendars:

- Saturday, January 26
 10:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Retreat for all Confirmation Prep students in Barrett Hall. Families are asked to join their young people for Mass at 4:30 p.m. in church on the 26. If your Confirmation candidate has not returned their permission form for the retreat, do so ASAP. Without a permission form,
- requirement.

 Wednesday, February 6 6:45 p.m. in church

 Meeting for Parents only of children

celebrating First Eucharist in the spring.

candidates will not be permitted to attend the

retreat. Retreat attendance is a Confirmation

 Ash Wednesday, February 13 – There are no regular classes. Ashes will be distributed at the 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Masses and at services at noon and at 4:00 p.m. All RE families are expected to attend one of these services.

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

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

January 13-19, 2013

In this Year of Faith, what better time to focus our attention on Vocations. Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life of brothers and sisters are essential in the Church's mission of spreading the joy and love of Jesus Christ. This year we have Seminarian Cards to help us think about vocations to the priesthood.

There are 31 Seminarians this year in the Joliet Diocese. Each one has his own card which looks like a baseball card – stats and all. We will be distributing these after all the Masses on January 19 and 20. The RE classes will also be receiving them. Please take them home and place them where all will see the card every day to remind you to pray for this particular man who is discerning his call from the Lord. Please don't forget to pray for others who are discerning their call to the diaconate, consecrated life or single life.

LETTER SENT TO HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

January 15, 2013

Greetings,

Enclosed is a check for \$1,261.65 that I am most pleased to send to Heifer International. This money was collected by our Religious Education students and our Parish preschool children. The money is a combination of our annual Advent Project and the money that the children put in their weekly Parish donation envelopes.

For the Advent Project, the children get to vote for a pig, a sheep, or a goat to send to Heifer. The children donate 50 cents for each vote. We have been doing this project for many years and the children love it. We have a voting booth and ballots, election judges, the whole nine yards. For some reason, the pig always wins.

This year, Father Tony Taschetta, our pastor, earmarked the children's weekly offering envelopes that they drop in the basket at Mass to be sent to Heifer. There are approximately 550 children in both the Religious Education program and the Parish Preschool. This Advent they not only donated to Heifer, but collected hundreds of toys to be sent to one of the Chicago area community centers. We are very proud of our children.

Since the children's choice was the pig, we are asking that our donation go toward purchasing two pigs. We would also like to purchase two cows. It is our hope that they will be sent to a village in the world that will reap their benefits for many years.

Thank you for all that Heifer does to spread peace and comfort to the world.

God Bless You,

Mary Ann Woods, Director of Religious Education, Genet Pinkerton, Preschool Director & The Children of Mary Queen Mary Queen of Heaven Parish, Elmhurst, IL

Parish News

BIBLE STUDY GOSPEL OF JOHN PART 1

Beginning this January, we will study the beloved gospel of John. This study invites you to meditate on God's overwhelming love for you. Our study of the Gospel of John Part I runs for 8 weeks beginning the week of January 20. We'll again meet for one hour except for the first meeting, which is 90 minutes. The Little Rock series is well written, the questions are insightful and user friendly. We will again offer Tuesday morning, Tuesday evening, and Wednesday evening sessions. Sign-up is at the back of the church. Book sets are available for \$15.00. If you need assistance with the fee, please speak to Father Tony or Heather Brand. Come join us!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY IT'S ALL A GIFT

Whether you give of talent in prayer, fleece work, crochet, knitting, sewing or delivering lovely prayer shawls to those in need of God's presence, it's all gift and all gifts are from God, for God and to God. What a wonderful way to share our faith, by giving blessed and prayer filled shawl. All are God's people caring for our family and sharing His love, lifting up our brothers and sisters.

Shawls can be requested by contacting Ruth Maple, (630) 279-5612 or the parish office. Should you like to join our group and share in prayer and lifting up our parish family, we gather twice per month - on the first Wednesday of the month in the morning from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. and on the third Thursday of the month from 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Watch the church calendar for dates.

TAX STATEMENTS

Donation accounts for 2012 have been closed. Your tax statements are being prepared and you will receive your 2012 tax statement by the end of January. Any donations received after December 31, 2012 will appear on the 2013 tax statement.

Preschool News



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

Become a part of our growing school. Schedule a visit, meet the teachers, and see the classroom. Registration for current and past families has begun. Registration papers can be found on our website, please note changes have been made on the forms. Open registration for new families begins Monday, January 28.

Come visit us! Open House Dates:

Saturday, February 16 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 26 5:00 p.m. - 8:00p.m.

Sunday, March 3 9:00 a.m. - noon

Thursday, March 7 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

For additional information please contact:

Mrs. Genet Pinkerton, Director

Mary Queen of Heaven Preschool

(630) 833-9500

mqhpreschool@maryqueen.org

www.maryqueenpresschool.org

Diocesan News

JOYFUL AGAIN!

Retreat/Workshop for Widowed Men and Women Saturday - Sunday, March 9 & 10, 2013 St. Charles Borromeo Ctr. Romeoville,IL 60446-6527 (Airport Rd.& Rte. 53)

Contact: Joyful Again!
Widowed Ministry Program
Phone: (708)354-7211
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Diocesan News



COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BISHOP **Latin America**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Only individuals blessed by the projects funded by the Collection for the Church in Latin America can adequately explain the true value of each dollar that has been provided by your generous support of this Collection. One such person, Jainae-Sao Leopoldo, says:

I have lived moments of profound emotion, things that have to do with the heart, coming from moments of sharing, but especially coming from an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ that does not stop growing. I have started to pray and to remember more the youth, the poor, and the discriminated, people for whom I have a dear love and special vocation.

Jainae is one of 120 young participants of project Neotefilo from "Instituto de Pastoral de Juventude." This project, funded by the Collection for the Church in Latin America, took place in the Brazilian parish of Nossa Senhora de Nazare. It helps young participants deepen their understanding of the Bible, liturgy, and spirituality. These young people face poverty and unemployment due to a short supply of jobs. This and other projects in the parish provide 25,000 young people the tools they need to grow both in their relationship with Christ and professionally.

Last year our diocese donated \$235,053.59. Please be generous in the Collection for the Church in Latin America and encourage the youth to live faith. Your support will truly make a difference.

God bless you, Most Reverend R. Daniel Colon Bishop of Joliet

For more information on the Church in Latin America and the projects funded by the Collection, please visit www.usccb.org (search "Church in Latin America Collection").



THE 2013 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL **APPEAL**

"THE LORD SUSTAINS HIS PEOPLE"

This year, the theme of the Appeal is "The Lord Sustains His People." The Lord sustains each of us in many ways. His life, death and resurrection were all gifts to each of us. He gives us all that we have. He gave us our Church. That Church, through our parish, our diocese, and throughout the world, offers us not only spiritual but many other forms of sustenance. God never forgets us. Even when we believe that our successes are self-made, it is His love that sustains each of us. He is always giving to us. His grace is always there for us. One way that we can show our gratitude is by offering our generous financial support to our parish and to our diocese and to the Church throughout the world. The gifts we give enable ministries, education, and services that touch thousands of lives. You will hear more about the Annual Appeal in the coming weeks. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

YEAR OF FAITH JANUARY REFLECTION

The Holy Spirit, Giver of Life

Ponder this from the Catechism of the Catholic Church: "The Holy Spirit is 'the principle of very vital and truly saving action in each part of the Body.' He works in many ways to build up the whole Body in charity:...he makes the faithful 'fit and ready to undertake various tasks and offices for the renewal and building up of the Church'." (CCC 798)

Prayers/Read: In Isaiah 11: 2-3 the gifts of the Holy Spirit are identified as wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, right judgment and fear (awe) of the LORD. These gifts, received in Confirmation, help us to share our faith with others.

Discuss: Name a person you believe shows one of these gifts and shares his/her faith with others. Which gift are you most in need of in your life right now?

Action: Since the Holy Spirit sustains life in us and in all of creation, here are some ways to support life. Pray for respect for life from the beginning to its natural end. Check out www.hopeafterabortion.com, spend some time helping out a pregnant woman with house work or child care, continue to recycle and "go green" in an effort to protect God's creation.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, JANUARY 26 SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 2013

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta
Lector	A. Novar D. Novar	M. Reed	M. McCall
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Altar Servers	J. Alonso C. Gornick S. Lewand	J. Reginelli C. Letourneau J. Mirretti	P. Vosicky A. Frank M. Kerley



Sunday, January 13, 2013			
Adults	\$8,144.79		
Parish Pay	\$4,491.06		
Children	\$80.92		
Collection Total	\$12,716.77		

195 parishioner envelopes were used. 141 parishioners - Parish Pay.

Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 20, 2013

8:30 AM † Patrick McDonald 10:30 AM † Bernadette Brinkmann

Monday, January 21, 2013

8:30 AM People of Mary Queen

Tuesday, January 22, 2013

8:30 AM Right to Life

Wednesday, January 23, 2013

8:30 AM † Brenda Scanlon

Thursday, January 24, 2013 8:30 AM † Faye St. Pierre

Friday, January 25, 2013

8:30 AM

Communion Service

Saturday, January 26, 2013 4:30 PM † Bill Sherlock

Sunday, January 27, 2013

8:30 AM † Maria Tremmel

† Elena Cutri 10:30 AM

† Giovanni Cutri

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of January 20, 2013

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22 Monday: Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28 Tuesday: Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6 Heb 7:25--8:6/Mk 3:7-12 Thursday:

Friday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18 Saturday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:20-21 Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30

or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Prayer List

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Margaret Barone Baby Dylan Kimbler

Dennis White



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



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