# MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CHURCH

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# Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

"People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." - 1k 13:29-30



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# August 25, 2013 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in **Ordinary** Tine

# 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



# I was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me

"Red Rover, Red Rover, let Rosita come over." Do you remember the game? You formed a line (a border, a boundary, a fence if you will) locking arms together as Rosita rushed towards you. Your job was to keep her from getting in. Her job was to break through the barrier. If she didn't get in, she had to go back. But once she was in she was one of us and then she could lock arms and shout with the rest of us, "Red Rover, Red Rover, let Bobby come over." And the game went on. But it's not a game. It's a way of life. It's how my son and 80% of my Parish in Kankakee got here.

In 1989 I went to Mexico to learn Spanish. In 1990, I returned to become Pastor of St. Teresa Parish in Kankakee. Utterly unprepared on my first Sunday there, I looked over a crowd of young Mexican immigrants hungry to be safe. And the Church seemed to them the safest place in town. Unlike most congregations, the majority of this one were young, single men between the ages of 18 and 22. Most of them were clearly in culture shock in a new world, being bus boys and farm workers and whatever needed to be done just to survive. My work was to make them feel at home, to make them feel at least a little safe. No one at St. Teresa was going to turn them in to the *migra* (the Immigration Service).

That was in 1990. Here we are 23 years later and the majority of those who came in during that great migration are still looking over their shoulder. Most are worse off now than they were then. In those days it was kind of a wink-wink, win-win situation for everyone involved. It was a combination of osmosis and social Darwinism. They, the mojados (the wet ones), like osmosis moved from an area from high concentration to an area of low concentration (from old Mexico to New Mexico) through a semi-permeable membrane, la frontera (the boarder). lt was a Darwinistic in that only the strong and most capable survived (survival of the fittest). Those who came here chose to leave everything behind and like our Father in faith, Abraham, sojourned in a land they knew not where. And like the iconic Boll Weevil, they came from Mexico just "lookin' for a home." Looking for a better

way of life and a way to feed their families back in the Old Country. And it worked. They got jobs and employers got good, cheap labor and didn't have to pay their half of the Social Security Tax and Uncle Sam got tax money that the immigrants would never be able to collect. And a legal Driver's License was as easy as buying a tarjeta (fake Social Security Card) on Calle 26 (26th Street in Chicago). Our little church worked diligently making sure they all had an I.T.I.N. (a government issued number so they could pay their federal taxes). I continually warned them that it is one thing to look over your shoulder at the INS but you never want to get in trouble with the IRS. The vast majority paid their taxes. Why? They wanted to get in. They wanted a better life. I often told those who complained about immigrants that if they were in Mexico, given their own intelligence and desire to take care of the needs of their family, guess where they'd be? Here! Migration and immigration is coded in the If you don't believe me, ask your human DNA. grandparents and great-grandparents. Mine came from Sicily and Calabria WithOut Papers (Hence, the derogatory term WOPS. By the way, Dago came from the bastard son of Columbus, Diego, of whom all Italians are related.) Truth be told, none of our ancestors were all that welcomed into this great land of ours. The Irish who escaped the potato famine constantly saw signs that said, "Irish need not apply." And of the indigenous people we found here? And the Africans that we dragged here? Oh dear, oh dear!

One of my favorite opening lines was that of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's to the Daughters of the American Revolution. FDR looked over the DAR and said, "Fellow immigrants!" And that they are. So how are we to treat them? If we take seriously our faith tradition and the teaching of Moses, the Prophets and the Master the answer is evident and easy. We treat them like the brothers and sisters they are.

Right now before Congress there is a Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act proposed. The Senate has already passed it. While not perfect, it does provide a path to citizenship while at the same time securing our boarders (although there is nothing semi-permeable about a concrete slab). It is by no means a perfect bill but at least it is a compassionate beginning. What is to be our Christian response? Put the emphasis on "Christian" and you know the answer.

# Note from the Pastor(cont.)

Below are the addresses of our Congressmen. Do a little penance and write them.

In Jesus, God's Stranger in a Strange Land,



# **US Senator Richard Durbin**

525 South 8th St. Springfield, IL 62703 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (217) 492-4062 - phone (217) 492-4382 - fax www.durbin.senate.gov

# **US Senator Mark Kirk**

607 East Adams Suite 1520 Springfield, IL 62701 Phone: 217-492-5089 **Fax:** 217-492-5099 www.kirk.senate.gov

# **US Representative Peter Roskam**

District Office 2700 International Drive. Suite 304 West Chicago, IL 60185 (630) 232-0006 (630) 232-7393 (fax) (DuPage Airport Terminal Building) Website: roskam.house.gov

# **Parish Calendar**



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUGUST 25 - SEPTEMBER 1

Sunday, August 25, 2013 Walk-In Ministry Food Drive **Bible Study Sign-up** 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. MQH Mass 10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word in Room 2-3

# Monday, August 26, 2013

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass 7:00 p.m. - 9:15 p.m. CRHP (Men) in Room 13

MQH Mass

## Tuesday, August 27, 2013

8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Book Study Group in Conf. Room 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. CRHP (Women) in Room 13

7:00 p.m.

### Wednesday, August 28, 2013 8:30 a.m.

MQH Mass Eucharistic Minister Trainina

Thursday, August 29, 2013 8:30 a.m. MQH Mass

Friday, August 30, 2013 **Bulletin Deadline September 8, 2013** 8:30 a.m. Communion Service

# Saturday, August 31, 2013

3:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Protecting God's Children in Barrett Hall Confessions MQH Mass

# Sunday, September 1, 2013

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. MQH Mass 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Baptisms



# FOOD COLLECTION!

The Food Collection for the Immaculate Conception/Walk-In Food Pantry will take place the weekend of August 24 and 25.

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

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# **Parish News**

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# MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN **5K RUN/WALK**



# **SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, October 5, 2013 8:00 a.m.

Our MQH Men's Group invites everyone to join in our 2013 5K Run/Walk through the streets of the MQH neighborhood. This 5K Event is for all runners and walkers of any age as we promote health, fitness, and fellowship in our faith community. All excess funds raised will be used to support a charitable mission of the Parish. More details will follow including entry fee, online registration information, contact information, and course route. Please save the date on your calendar. Keep active and stay healthy!

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# THANK YOU FROM SISTER **BRIDGET ZANIN!**

On behalf of the Mission Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, I wish to thank you and the parishioners of Mary Queen of Heaven for their generous donations totaling \$4,331.65. It was an honor for me to speak about the charism and work of our founder St. France Xavier Cabrini.

Today the Missionary Sister of the Sacred Heart and their lay collaborators are blessed with a special unity of spirit which binds us together in a common mission: to be "bearers of the love of Christ to he world." Because of your generosity we will be able to provide assistance and support to our Ethiopian Missions.



# **BIBLE STUDY GOSPEL OF ST. JOHN** PART 2

Beginning this September, we will continue the study of the beloved Gospel of St. John. The word of God will speak to you, especially through others.

The Gospel of St. John Part II runs for eight weeks, beginning the week of September 23 and concludes the week of December 1. Tuesday morning, Tuesday evening, and Wednesday evening sessions are available. Even if you participated in the spring, please register for this session as well so adequate space is available. Registration begins this weekend in the church vestibule. Book sets will be available for \$15.00. (If you need assistance with the fee, please speak to Father Tony or Heather Brand.) Representatives from the Bible Study group will also be available to answer any questions.



# **EUCHARISTIC MINISTER** TRAINING

Thank you for your increased interest in the Eucharistic Minister training. A training session has been scheduled for August 28 at 7:00 p.m. The requirements of a Eucharistic Minister are:

- Must have received the Sacrament of Confirmation
- Must be Catholic and in good standing with the Church
- Must be at least 17 years old.

If you are already a minister but would like to review the set up/clean up protocol, please join us! Please call Bernie Eadon with any questions: (630) 279-5938

# **Parish News**



# **MQH CHOIR BEGINS**

The MQH Choir will begin rehearsals again on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in the choir loft. Our first rehearsal is

September 5. We will begin singing on Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on September 15. Pre-Mass warm up is at 9:40 a.m. in Barrett Hall on Sundays. We sing from September to June. The only requirement is the ability to sing in tune. We can teach you the rest at rehearsal. This is your opportunity to offer your talent to God.

- Ed Nowak, Music Director (708) 246-0868.

# **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**



Due to the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 2, Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Monday, September 9 during the usual hours.

# ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS, PROFESSIONALS AND SELF EMPLOYED

Liturgical Publications Inc (LPi), our Bulletin publisher, will have Jean Swaya our Bulletin representative visiting our Church within the next few weeks to service our Bulletin. We would like to thank our present advertisers for renewing their ad and thereby continuing their support of our Church. For those interested in placing a new ad, this is your opportunity.

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# **Religious Education and Preschool News**

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

The opening event of the MQH RE 2013/2014 year is September 11 at 6:30 p.m. in Church for parents and children in grades 1-7. Our first class session is September 18 for Grades 1-7. The opening event for our Confirmation Prep students is September 25<sup>th</sup> in Church at 6:45 p.m. We extend a huge thank you to all of you wonderful men & women and young people who stepped forward to help. However, we are still in need of a few catechists and aides. We cannot start our program without you.

# Are you called to be a catechist??

If you have ever considered being a catechist, now is the time to put that call into action. Why? This is a top ten list of reasons why:

- The best way to learn is to teach.
- Your own faith will come alive.
- You become an active participant in one of the essential responsibilities of a Church community.
- You assist in bringing Christ to others.
- You practice stewardship.
- You show your own family that you value the faith.
- You become a role model.
- Being a catechist brings joy.
- Catechesis is fundamental.
- The children of Mary Queen need you.

Consider joining our team of dedicated men and women just like yourself who weekly share their Faith with the young people of the parish. Help our children to get to know our God.

All sessions meet on Wednesdays. Please bear in mind because of the size of our program we have almost 500 children and over 100 volunteer adults including 70 catechist and aide positions to fill. We are blessed by the number of people who come forward to help. However, we must fill all of our catechist positions before class starts. If you can help, please call the REO today. We do not want to disappoint our children. Remember those classes still in need of catechists will not start on time. Be sure to check with the office if you have a child in one of the classes that are still in need of a catechist. The following are those grade levels where you are needed:

3:15 p.m. Session	Grade 1 - 1 catechist Grade 2 - 1 aide Grade 3 - 2 co-catechists
6:45 p.m. Session	Grade 6 - 1 co-catechist

# Have you registered yet?

We are accepting RE Registrations for those classes where space is still available. **Some classes are at capacity.** 

- At 3:15 Grades 2 and 4 are closed
- At 5:15 Grades 4 and 7 are closed.

Home schooling is an option for those closed classes. If you are opting to home school your children this year, remember that you must register in the program. **Please bear in mind we do not process registrations the week of September 15.** 

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

Mary Queen of Heaven

# **MQH PRESCHOOL NEWS**

The preschool had a very busy week. The children and their parents were invited to a playdate at the school. There were many children and parents meeting new friends and catching up with old ones. Some brought their lunches, others brought snacks and the children had fun interacting with each other.

We also had parent orientation meeting; it was very well attended. We are going to have a very successful school year. The teachers were in the classrooms from Aug. 19-23 getting everything ready for our children. School will begin on Aug. 26. The KEP children will have a full day of school and the preschool will attend from 8:15 a.m. -10:00 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday. We are looking forward to a very exciting school year! For more information contact the office:

> (630) 833-9500 mqhpreschool@maryqueen.org www.maryqueenpreschool.org

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, AUGUST 31 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2013				
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	
Lector	E. Walker	K. Sutkus	K. Passarelli	
Eucharistic Ministers	B. Lawlor (S) G. Los (C) B. Eadon K. Passerelli T. Sabel H. Todd S. Pingitore	N. Williamson (S ) D. Bernstein (C ) M. Gorzik P. Mason T. Nanak K. Vicary	P. Twardowski (S) M. McDonald (C) B. Kevil T. Kevil P. Letourneau W. Bonifiglio D. Justus	
Altar Servers	M. Kerley J. Nosek G. Vandenberg	M. McDonough J. Reginelli D. Dunn	A. Lang N. Anderson P. Vosicky	



# Sunday, August 25, 2013

8:30 a.m. † Mary Thornton 10:30 a.m. † Dr. Thomas Pozen

Monday, August 26, 2013 8:30 a.m. Special Intentions of Mary Sichz

Tuesday, August 27, 2013 8:30 a.m. † Robert Bradley

- Wednesday, August 28, 2013 8:30 a.m. † Della Rose Schroedl
- Thursday, August 29, 2013 8:30 a.m. † John Brennan
- Friday, August 30, 2013 8:30 a.m. Communion Service

# Saturday, August 31, 2013 4:30 p.m. † Maricarol and Larry Sknerski

# Sunday, September 1, 2013

8:30 a.m. † David Lee 10:30 a.m. † Kristen Elkins

† indicates person is deceased

Church Support		
Collection Totals for: Sunday, August 4, 2013		
Adults	\$8,743.36	
Parish Pay	\$4,051.35	
Children	\$17.35	
Collection Total	\$12,812.06	

154 parishioner envelopes were used. 139 parishioners - Parish Pay.

Collection Totals for: Sunday, August 11, 2013	
Adults	\$7,761.00
Parish Pay	\$4,095.26
Children	\$13.00
Collection Total	\$11,869.26

166 parishioner envelopes were used. 139 parishioners - Parish Pay.

Collection Totals for: Sunday, August 18, 2013	
Adults	\$7,966.31
Parish Pay	\$4,095.26
Children	\$38.50
Collection Total	\$12,098.07

169 parishioner envelopes were used. 139 parishioners - Parish Pay.

# Readings for the Week of August 25, 2013

Sunday:	ls 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/
	Lk 13:22-30
Monday:	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13/Mk 6:17-29
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/
	Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

