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October 6, 2013

27th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."
The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed,
you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and
planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." — Lk 17:5-6



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



Nothing goes down sweeter or is more titillating to the imagination than rich, juicy gossip. Most fun is the gossip that has no basis in reality, rumor gossip.

The problem is, however, that while it is sweet going down, it turns sour in the stomach and will eventually poison the entire system. It is not only unhealthy for the target of the rumored gossip but for the entire community, not to mention the gossipier. So while it may be initially fun, it's very dangerous stuff.

I write this because as a public person I get rumored about and gossiped about constantly. Most of it never gets to my ears which is fine by me but at least once a year I hear someone tell me that the word on the street is that I just fathered a child and any day now will be leaving the priesthood. As Mark Twain famously said, "The rumors of my demise are greatly exaggerated." And as for me, I have enough trouble getting out of bed in the morning let alone hopping into bed. NONE OF IT IS TRUE.

The most recent rumor is that after I retire Mary Queen will be swallowed up by I.C. and the preschool will be closed. Ain't true! And the one making the circuit right now is, "Have you noticed that Father Tony is beginning to forget a lot of people's names? Some people are saying they think he has early dementia." Makes one wonder who the "some people" are.

Now it is true, as I have publicly stated a number of times, that learning and retaining names and faces are not my strong suit. It was only a couple of years ago after having watched an episode of 60 Minutes on "face blindness" that I thought that maybe that's what I had. So I went to the 60 Minutes Overtime site and took a test they had for face blindness. Sure enough, I flunked cold. (And I just thought that all white people looked alike.) I was happy to know that face blindness had nothing to do with one's cognitive abilities. Obviously, our mental state and our mental health is very important to all of us. I have written on a number of occasions about taking mental issues out of the closet and dementia is one of them.

The first time it hit home with me personally was when I was a very young man and my father was coming out of surgery and the drugs were just

beginning to wear off. He began speaking utter nonsense which literally scared the bejeezes out of me. "That's not my father," I thought. "This can't be happening to me." I know, that's a pretty immature response but at that time I was pretty immature. I couldn't imagine my father not having it all together; after all he was my rock, my hero. Finally the drugs completely wore off and he was fine until the day he died. My mother, on the other hand, stayed mentally alert until she was about 85. At 83 she was still working in my brother's store, kibitzing with the customers. By 86 she began to forget, to talk in *non sequiturs*, and became quite confused. By this time I was a lot more mature. I was in my late 50's and she was able to live in my rectory and, thank God, I was able to take care of her and love her for who she was until the Lord took her home.

Since dementia really is no laughing matter, I googled the signs of it to find out if the rumors about me were true. There are a whole bunch of sites listing a whole bunch of symptoms but most of them boiled down to these ten.

1. Memory loss. It's called MCI or mild cognitive impairment. It is the inability to recall short-term or recent events. Short term is not a problem for me. *I can remember almost all of the points of a Homily that I preach and if I have a wedding, the names of all the people in a wedding party. But once a Homily is preached and the wedding is over, I hit delete.*
2. Decline in motor functions. This is an inability to perform routine tasks. *I still exercise 4-6 days a week and while the osteoarthritis makes it difficult to roll out of bed, I can still touch my toes, drive a stick shift and pour wine into a Chalice (not to mention brandy into a snifter).*
3. Disorientation. Getting lost on a routine trip. *Driving north on I-294 and exiting at I-290 west is still, and always will be a pain in the neck. But I remember how to do it.*
4. Behavioral changes. Personality changes. This includes radically changing your personality and making inappropriate pronouncements. *You all will have to tell me how I'm doing on this.*
5. Paranoia. *Someone once told me if you weren't a little paranoid, you were crazy. But honestly, I do not think you are out to get me. ☺*

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Note from the Pastor (cont.)

6. Disorganization. *I have been running a household for 42 years now and my basic principle of organization is to surround myself with the very best and then get out of their way. I'm an organizational genius.*
7. Agitation. This is frustration over an inability to perform simple tasks, or an inability to communicate clearly. *(I hope this is all making sense to you.)*
8. Hallucinations. Seeing things that aren't there. *Not on my list.*
9. Sexual acting out. Removing clothing in public and saying inappropriate sexual things. *Doubly not on my list.*
10. Cognitive decline. An inability to retain language and speech. *Not yet (at least not in English).*

When I was a little boy, my second grade CCD teacher, Sister Malochay (we called her Sister Malarchy) told us the story of a woman who went to confession and confessed gossiping. For Penance the priest told her to "take a feather pillow and empty it out on a top of a hill and let the wind blow it away." She came back the next week and reported that she had done her penance. The priest told her, "Now, go. Pick up all those feathers and put them back in the pillowcase." "But Father, that's impossible, they're spread all over the place." "So is your gossip." She never gossiped again.

Let's face it. It's fun to dish the dirt. But be careful, because if you dish it out enough, sooner or later you're going to have to eat it.

In Jesus, the Way and the Truth,

Fr. Tony

Parish News

PRIESTS CONVOCATION

All the priests of the Joliet Diocese will be meeting for their BI-ANNUAL priests' convocation from this coming Monday, October 7 through Thursday. Consequently there will be Communion Services on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of next week. Pray for our priests.

Parish Calendar



CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCTOBER 6 - OCTOBER 13

Sunday, October 6, 2013

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. MQH Mass
8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. RCIA in School Room 13
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Youth Group Destiny in Room 1
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. CRHP (Men) in Conf. Room
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Baptisms in Church
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Youth Group Wings in Barrett Hall

Monday, October 7, 2013

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

Tuesday, October 8, 2013

8:30 a.m. Communion Service
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Study of St. John Part II in Conf. Room
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Study of St. John Part II in School Room 13
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Baptism Class in Church

Wednesday, October 9, 2013

8:30 a.m. Communion Service
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. RE Classes
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Study of St. John Part II in Conf. Room

Thursday, October 10, 2013

8:30 a.m. Communion Service
9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Yoga Class in Barrett Hall

Friday, October 11, 2013

Bulletin Deadline October 20, 2013

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, October 12, 2013

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Altar Server Training in Church/Barrett Hall
3:30 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. MQH Mass

Sunday, October 13, 2013

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. MQH Mass
8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. RCIA in School Room 13
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. CRHP (Men) in Conf. Room

SPECIAL NIGHT AT ELMHURST COLLEGE

This Wednesday, October 9th at 4:00 p.m. in the Founders Lounge of the Frick Center, author, researcher and academic expert on Immigration will be speaking on **The Undocumented Students' American Dream**. It will be well worth attending. Tickets are \$10.00 at the door.

Parish News



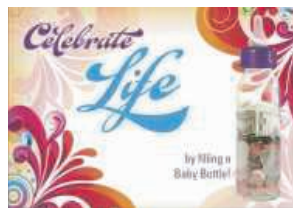
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Come and spend time in silent adoration during our next day of Eucharistic Adoration, **Monday, October 7**. It begins after 8:30 a.m. Mass, and will close with **Benediction at 7:00 p.m.** All are invited to join us **any time** during the day, **as well as for Benediction at 7:00 p.m.** For questions or to adopt an hour, contact Kay Diggins at (630) 530-7214, or Rose Wilkes at (630) 833-7238. A reminder that there is perpetual Eucharistic adoration at Visitation church, 799 South York Rd.



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

There will be training for all altar servers, both new and returning, on Saturday, October 12 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the church. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. The qualifications are simple: be a 5th grader or older and have an interest in being an integral part of the Mass celebration. If you have any questions, please contact John Vosicky at (773)206-4937 or jkvosicky@sbcglobal.net.



BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE

This month our parish will be participating in a special fundraiser to promote and further a

Culture of Life within our parish and local community. The proceeds of this event will help support the life-saving work of Woman's Choice Services, a Catholic pregnancy center with offices located in Joliet & Lombard. Baby bottles will be distributed to parishioners on the weekend of October 5 and 6 to take home and fill with spare change. Bottles will then be returned to the parish by October 12 and 13.

This fundraiser is a great way for each member of the family to help in building a Culture of Life. Thank you in advance for your response to the call of the Gospel to serve those in great need!

AWAKENING THE DREAMER SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2013

Awakening the Dreamer, Changing the Dream is a thought-provoking and moving DVD symposium created in collaboration with some of most respected social and scientific experts of our time, interwoven with wisdom and inspiration from our indigenous brothers and sisters. *Awakening the Dreamer, Changing the Dream* explores the current state of our planet from a new perspective and connects participants with a powerful, growing global movement to save our planet. Sister Mary Lou Henderson, SS and Lelia Bannon, both certified facilitators of *ATD*, will present the program.

DONATE YOUR OLD CELL PHONES DURING TWO WEEKENDS OCTOBER 19/20 AND OCTOBER 25/26

Please place your old cell phone (no chargers or accessories) in the basket in the back of church. They erase all data through a certified and secure process. Donate your old cell to "Hope Phones" and give isolated people in the developing world access to medical care. They responsibly recycle or refurbish all mobiles, from old and broken to the latest smart phone, and create communication networks for health workers serving millions in fifteen countries. For more information, go to www.hopephones.org (Medic Mobile) Look for the basket in the back of church with a blue poster on it.



UNDY SUNDAY

The Destiny Youth Group is helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the 34,000 people they serve each year by collecting NEW underwear, undershirts and socks for children and adults in the narthex on Sunday, October 20 after all Masses. They are in most need of diapers size 4 and 5 and baby wipes and women's white socks and men's t-shirts s-m-l. There will be a bin in the back of the church marked Undy Sunday for your donations. Thank you for helping us to make a difference in our corner of the world!

14th Annual
"Evening Under the Stars"

USO

Auction/Dinner Dance



November 8, 2013

Alta Villa Banquet
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Ticket Donation \$60.00 per person

Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.

Dinner: 7:30 p.m.

Cash Bar

Religious Education News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

SOS

We are still in need of a catechist to share duties in Gr. 6 at 5:15 p.m. Please consider joining our team of dedicated men and women just like yourself who weekly share their Faith with the young people of the parish. The children of the parish are waiting for you.

With the start of RE, please be very cautious in the parking lot on Wednesday afternoons and evenings. Our little ones and even our not so little ones are our precious gifts from God.

Mark your calendars:

- ◆ **Wednesday, October 23 starting at 6:45 p.m.** in church, Fr. Tony will meet with parents and children who will be celebrating their First Reconciliation next month. There will be regular RE class sessions for Grade 2.

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

Preschool News



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

Our classes are full but you can still come in for a visit and have your child placed on a wait list.

For additional information please contact :
Mrs. Genet Pinkerton,
Director, Mary Queen of Heaven Preschool
(630) 833-9500
mqhpreschool@maryqueen.org
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Community News

ELECTRONICS AND RECYCLABLES DROP OFF EVENT OCTOBER 5, 2013

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2013

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta
Lector	B. Dunn	K. Passarelli	E. Cutri
Eucharistic Ministers	G. Los (S) K. Passarelli (C) S. Pingitore C. Reisenbuckler T. Sabel H. Todd J. Vilim	M. Gorzik (S) P. Mason (C) T. Nanak A. Beckmann N. Williamson D. Bernstein	G. Pinkerton (S) J. Spears (C) M. McDonald W. Bonifiglio D. Justus B. Kevil T. Kevil
Altar Servers	J. Nosek E. Fahey C. Hernandez	D. Dunn C. Gornick A. Huizar	T. Procajlo G. Hendron P. Vosicky



Church Support

Collection Totals for: Sunday, September 29, 2013	
Adults	\$8,018.14
Parish Pay	\$4,132.18
Children	\$33.00
Collection Total	\$12,363.32

*169 parishioner envelopes were used.
144 parishioners - Parish Pay.*

**Thank you for your
continued kindness and generosity.**



**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, October 6, 2013

8:30 a.m. † Gloria DiMonte
 10:30 a.m. † Albert Fuchsen and
 Michael Bonafede

Monday, October 7, 2013

8:30 a.m. † Robert Bradley

Tuesday, October 8, 2013

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Wednesday, October 9, 2013

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, October 10, 2013

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Friday, October 11, 2013

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, October 12, 2013

4:30 p.m. † Nora Olson

Sunday, October 13, 2013

8:30 a.m. † Robert Bradley
 10:30 a.m. † Anna Mae Kinsella

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of October 6, 2013

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/
Lk 17:5-10

Monday: Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY

Please join the 2013 Public Square Rosary honoring our Blessed Lady of Fatima on October 12 at 12 noon at York Rd. and 3rd Street next to the Elmhurst Municipal Building. Any questions, please call Emma at (630) 766-1576.

White Mass Sunday, October 27, 2013
at the Cathedral of St. Raymond (604 N. Raynor Ave., Joliet)

The White Mass celebrates "The Guardians and Servants of Human Life." Physicians, Nurses, Health Care Providers, along with their family and friends are invited to celebrate Mass at 11:00 a.m. with Bishop Joseph Siegel. The Rosary will be prayed at 10:30 AM, with the special intentions for Health Care Professionals. If you plan on attending, please contact Mary Scholp at (815) 834-4065, or by email at pro-life@dioceseofjoliet.org.



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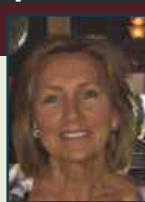
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