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January 5, 2014 Epiphany of the Lord Los Reyes Magos

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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Rev. John Barrett Pastor Emeritus

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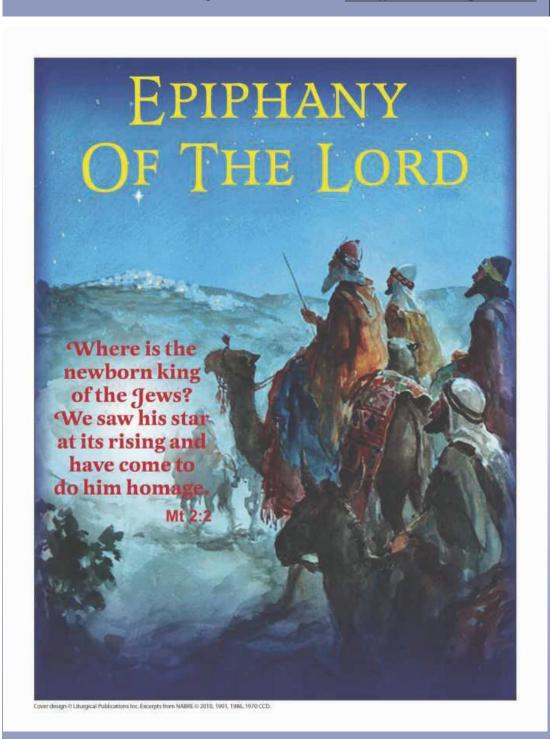
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Note from the Pastor



FROM THE ARCHIVES JAN. 1, 2005

Author Paula D' Arcy (The Gift of the Redbird) tells the story of a young woman thirty-three years old dying of cancer. After her initial shock and grief and all of the passages one must go through in the process of dying, she came to a great acceptance and peace. Shortly before she died, however, one of her girlfriends on a visit blithely quipped, "Does this dress make me look fat?" To which she gently but firmly replied, "honey, you don't have time to ask that question."

One thing none of us have a lot of is time. "Time On My Hands," was a song from another era. And yet, all we have is time. We just don't have enough of it. Major truth. Life is short. Very short.

Today we begin a new year. God will give us some time, fifty-two weeks, three hundred and sixty-five days. What will we do with it? Will we spend it in front of the television or in working overtime or shopping till we drop until we find just that right dress that doesn't make us look fat? One thing is for sure. If we do not budget our time, if we do not make time for the things that count, it will simply disappear. Time waits for no one. So how will you spend this most precious commodity in the coming year?

This last December 8th the daughter of long time parishioners Jim and Alice Bonnamy died. She, too, by today's standards, was quite young, just sixty. She was a woman of God which was no surprise considering that she was the daughter of Alice who is one of our resident saints. You know them when you see them because you can feel God's Spirit coming through them. Anybody who was ever been greeted by Alice at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays knows this. After her daughter's death, Alice sent me this short article her daughter Pat Wautlet wrote this past September before she went home to the Lord. It is worth reprinting.

IF I COULD DO IT AGAIN I WOULD READ JUST ONE MORE BEDTIME STORY

Memories roll back thirty years to a time when our boys are four and two, and their small bodies carry the crisp scent of crayons, freshly cut grass and hot muggy days. A time when kisses and hugs are frequent and welcomed, and I'm always able to comfort and calm the fears that arise when "things go bump in the night."

The bedtime hour always seems to be the magic moment that unlocks their tongues and motivates them to share a wellspring of experiences and heroic adventures. Is it possible that one so small can talk so long without taking a breath? The time put aside for bedtime rituals always seems to stretch longer and longer. I can still hear their avid pleas: "Just one more story, Mommy." "Sit with me just a little longer." "Hold me, I'm scared." But I rarely did!

Is there ever enough time for a working mom who travels? Is it possible to manage a household without adhering to a schedule? Each day brings new responsibilities, places to go, clients to see, presentations to prepare. There are seldom enough hours in the evening for them and then what about me? After all, my energy is needed to pack and unpack my suitcase, sort laundry, clean bathrooms, prepare lunches, squeeze in phone calls, plan meals, just to name a few.

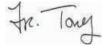
And today what memories linger from years gone by? Certainly not the clients, not the speeches, not the success or the money, not even the trips to those international places. I remember the child who needed me at the end of the day, who longed for my attention.

If I could do it all over again? I would read just one more bedtime story. I would hold my child's head as I lay beside him until I heard the sweet sound of his sleep. I would let my kisses on his face be the lasting memory of our day.

Note from the Pastor (cont.)

So what are you going to do with this year? I have some concrete ideas of what I want to do with mine. At the end of this month I'm flying my oldest granddaughter Ange Raphaelle to Paris to drop her off at the very same convent where her mother met her father twenty two years ago. This is a trip destined to be because I will never be able to do it with her older sister Ange Michelle who at the age of eight in 1993 was killed in a terrible car accident. Life is short. Later this spring I hope to go with her father Lewis, and my older grandsons Emmanuel and Lewis Anthony to Mexico to build a house for a poor family. I bought my six year old granddaughter Azucena an electric piano for Christmas with the promise that she will get lessons and after she learns she will teach me. Abraham, our three year old, and I are definitely going to make it to the train museum this summer and his father, my son Luis, and I are going to put up a fence (a prospect that thrills me to no end). Possibly, however, the most important thing I will do this next year is to go on sabbatical. In September I will be going to Rome for a three month sabbatical. I hope to learn a little Italian and a lot more about myself as a child of God. Now, you may ask, when am I going to work? I once had a housekeeper in Oswego who while she was ironing my shirts was berating me, "talk, talk, talk. All you ever do is talk. Don't you ever work?" I smiled and answered, "that is my work." Don't worry, I'll work. What I won't do, is ask you if my cassock makes me look fat. I don't have time for that.

In Jesus the Timeless One,



DID YOU MISS A STEP?

Have you been participating in the Catholic Faith, but were never confirmed in the faith? Our journey through life is seldom a straight path. Our personal choices or decisions that others make for us can impact our lives including our spiritual lives. If you are interested in completing this final Sacrament of Initiation, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Mimi Nolan, by phone at (630) 279-5700 or email her at: pa@maryqueen.org.

Parish Calendar



CALENDAR OF EVENTS **JANUARY 5 - JANUARY 12**

Sunday, January 5, 2014 Bible Study Sign Up

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. MQH Mass

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. RCIA in School Room 6, 7 & 13 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. CRHP (Men) in Conf. Room

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Baptisms in Church

Monday, January 6, 2014

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass

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

Tuesday, January 7, 2014

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Bible Study in Conf. Room 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Building & Grounds in Conf. Room

Wednesday, January 8, 2014 **NO RE Classes**

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass

Thursday, January 9, 2014 8:30 AM MQH Mass

Friday, January 10, 2014

Bulletin Deadline January 19, 2013

Communion Service 6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. CRHP Potluck in BH

Saturday, January 11, 2014

Bible Study Sign Up

3:30 PM Confessions 4:30 PM MQH Mass

Sunday, January 12, 2014

Bible Study Sign Up

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. RCIA in School Room 6, 7 & 13 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM CRHP (Men) in Conf. Room

COME EXPERIENCE A SPIRITUAL RENEWAL WEEKEND

It is said that it's not about the events that occur in our lives but how we choose to go forward. Set 30 hours aside for yourself for bonding with other parishioners, music, laughter, prayer, and a change of pace. Get reconnected with God. Get reconnected with yourself! Please join us for a Christ Renews His Parish weekend - women's weekend (Feb 8-9, 2014) and men (Feb 22-23). Sign-up is starting January 11-12. For more information or if you want to register early, you can contact Ralph Barnett at ralphebarnett@gmail.com or Molly Hughes at mollyhughes77@hotmail.com.

Mary Queen of Heaven 2012 - 2013 Financial Report

	Church	Rel Ed	Preschool	Total
Revenue				
Sunday Collections	\$593,912.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$593,912.00
Other Collections	\$72,197.00	-	-	\$72,197.00
Fundraisers	-	-	-	-
Tuition and Fees		\$47,435.00	\$131,443.00	\$178,878.00
Other Unrestricted Revenue	\$66,151.00	\$89.00	\$225.00	\$66,465.00
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Total Revenue	\$732,260.00	\$47,524.00	\$131,668.00	\$911,452.00
Expenses:				
Salaries	\$168,689.00	\$59,502.00	\$77,351.00	\$305,542.00
Fringe Benefits	57,203.00	18,318.00	7,081.00	82,602.00
Repairs & Maintenance	4,355.00	1,367.00	2,514.00	8,236.00
Services	27,578.00	2,415.00	3,329.00	33,322.00
Materials & Supplies	29,032.00	3,133.00	4,738.00	36,903.00
Insurance	7,883.00	3,271.00	6,543.00	17,697.00
Utilities	20,421.00	6,140.00	9,726.00	36,287.00
Diocesan Assessment	38,676.00	-	-	38,676.00
Other Operating Expense	-	2,271.00	6,712.00	8,983.00
Capital Expenditures	78,122.00	2,290.00	2,018.00	82,430.00
Loan Principal	-	-	-	-
Loan Interest	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	\$431,959.00	\$121,786.00	\$120,012.00	\$650,678.00
Net Revenue - Expenses				
Subsidy to Holy Family Catholic School and Religious Education	\$30,000.00	\$74,262.00	\$ -	\$ -
Surplus/Deficit	\$330,301.00	\$ -	\$11,656.00	\$260,774.00
Additional Information				
Loan - Principal Balance	\$ -			
Other Amounts due to the Diocese	\$ -			
Funds on Deposit in Diocese	\$1,252,824.49			
Education Endowment Fund	\$31,554.08			
Auction/Dinner Dance Net Income	\$15,822.34			

Thank you for your continued and generous support of our Parish. This past fiscal year we have made several deposits in our savings account at the Diocese. We also started the Education Endowment Fund and have deposited \$30,000 in that account plus we have earned \$1,544.08 in interest since we opened the account. The net income from the Auction/Dinner Dance held in November of 2012 was used to help needy families in our area. Also, throughout the year many improvements were made in the maintenance of our parish buildings and in the lighting in our parking area. God has blessed us with a parish of loving, caring and generous families.

Parish News

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATE

It has been a year of great change within the Catholic Church, with our new Holy Father, Pope Francis asking all of us to evangelize - to reach out to others and seek their good. The Diocese is planning for changes and exploring ways for parishes to share resources. This does not mean we will be sharing a priest. Here at Mary Queen we are preparing for our own version of change, that of the pending retirement of our beloved pastor Father Tony Taschetta.

Mindful of all of this, the current Mary Queen of Heaven Parish Council has adopted a new theme and focus for the coming transitions. The theme is "Following the Footsteps of Francis - through the three C's: Communication, Community, and Continuity".

We would like to put together a personality profile of Mary Queen of Heaven and we need your help. Here are the questions:

- Who is Mary Queen of Heaven?
- What makes us unique?
- What are our strongest personality traits?
- What are the three best words to describe Mary Queen of Heaven?
- What is important to you in a priest?

We have to remember that we at MQH are a vibrant community defined by more than our Pastor. Please take a few minutes to think and pray on these questions and send your thoughts to the PPC.

Email: **ppc@maryqueen.org** or snail mail to the parish office.

WHY WERE YOU WEARING SUNGLASSES IN CHURCH?



"LIFE ETERNAL" BIBLE STUDY ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning in January, we start the Little Rock study: "Life Eternal." This series spans from the Old Testament to the letters of Paul and the Gospels. The biblical promise of eternal life appears late in Scripture, but it blossoms into fullness with the resurrection of Christ. "Explore the growing nature of the hope of those who have called upon the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the past, and the crystallization of our hope for eternal life in the victory of Christ over death." [From the introduction in Little Rock]

The first part of the series will meet for 12 weeks, beginning the week of January 20 and concluding in April. Tuesday morning, Tuesday evening, and Wednesday evening sessions are available. We will pick up later in the year using the same books.

Sign-up is Jan. 4-5 and Jan. 11-12 in the back of the church. Book sets will be available at the sign-up table for \$15.00. If you need assistance with the fee, please speak to Father Tony or Heather Brand (630-833-6199).

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Due to illness and change of schedules, we are now in need of a couple of permanent people for each of the hours, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. If you are available during either of these times and would like to "adopt" an hour you are most welcome. We do have backup people that we can call in the event you may occasionally have a conflict. Please contact Kay Diggins at (630) 530-7214, or Rose Wilkes at (630) 833-7238.

All are invited to come and spend time with Jesus any time from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 6, 2014. The day of adoration and prayer begins with Mass and closes with Benediction at 7:00 p.m. Join us any time during the day as well as for Benediction. Remember, there is perpetual adoration in the Visitation Adoration Chapel located at 799 S. York Road.

Parish News



CCW Ladies Game Night

Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in Barrett Hall

Bring some friends, a snack to share and your favorite game (if you have one)

For an evening of fun!

Questions? Call Dayna at (630) 834-3233

Religious Education News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

There is no RE on January 8. Classes will resume at the normal times on Wednesday, January 15, 2014.

Please mark your calendars:

- Saturday, February 1 10:00 a.m. 4:15 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. If your Confirmation candidate has not returned their permission form for the retreat, do so ASAP. Without a permission form, candidates will not be permitted to attend the retreat. Retreat attendance is a Confirmation requirement.
- Wednesday, February 12 6:45 p.m. in church – There will be a meeting for parents only of children celebrating First Eucharist in the spring.

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

Preschool News



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

Registration for 2014-15 school year begins in January.

- Past and current family registration is January 1 through January 17, 2014.
- Registration for new families is January 16 through February 1, 2014.

Families will have the opportunity to talk with a teacher, a parent, and the preschool director during the Open House. They will be available to answer all questions and provide tours of the school.

Open House Dates

- Thursday, January 16
 6:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m.
- Saturday, January 18
 3:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m.
- Sunday, January 26 10:00 a.m. -10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

You may enter the school through the doors of the church or from the east or west doors of the school. The children are welcome.

Registration papers are available online at www.maryqueenpreschool.org. Individual tours may be scheduled in February.

For additional information please contact:

Mrs. Genet Pinkerton,

Director, Mary Queen of Heaven Preschool
(630) 833-9500

mqhpreschool@maryqueen.org

www.maryqueenpresschool.org

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2014

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta
Lector	R. Styka	K. Sutkus	S. Napolilli
Eucharistic Ministers	A. DeCillo (S) M. White (C) H. Todd J. Alonso M. Conway A. DeCillo K. Diggins	N. Williamson (S) M. Gorzik (C) K. Vicary J. Eichorst D. Gornick T. Nanak	J. Pinkerton (S) P. Twardowski (C) P. Letourneau D. Justus B. Carambot K. Gusloff T. Gusloff
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Sunday Collection	\$12,021.97			
Parish Pay	\$4,913.54			
Children	\$54.50			
Collection Total	\$16,990.01			

190 parishioner envelopes were used. 147 parishioners - Parish Pay.

The 2013 Christmas Collection will be published at a later time.

Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.



Sunday, January 5, 2014

† Hanna Telander 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Faye Whalen

Monday, January 6, 2014

8:30 a.m. † Patrick Enright

Tuesday, January 7, 2014

4:30 p.m. † Florence Shirpin

Wednesday, January 8, 2014

9:00 a.m. † Patricia Duff

Thursday, January 9, 2014

8:30 a.m.

Barbara J. Godawa

Friday, January 10, 2014

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Saturday, January 11, 2014

4:30 p.m. † Patricia Timothy

Sunday, January 12, 2014

8:30 a.m. † The Holmes Family Dr. Thomas Pozen 10:30 a.m.

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of January 5, 2014

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22--4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44 Tuesday: Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19--5:4/Lk 4:14-22a 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16 Friday: Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Prayer List

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Fr. John Barrett Susana Cortes de Caicedo Barbara J. Godawa



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



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