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February 23, 2014

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You have heard that it was said, *An eye for an eye and* a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well." — Mt 5:38-39



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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



Wednesday, February 5 The Feast of St. Agatha

It is cold. It is dark (5:00 am as I pen this), it is snowing and there is no

end in sight to this god-forsaken winter. Not that I am not grateful for the things we take for granted: light, heat, shelter. During the first cold snap the Rectory furnace went out and Butch and I spent the whole night in the cold. Nothing makes one appreciate the warmth like the cold. And we are in the cold.

Depressing, isn't it? The poet T. C. Eliot says that April is the cruelest month of all but my hunch is February runs a real close second. Thank God it is only 28 days.

For me personally it is the month of my family's passing. My father, mother, two aunts and three uncles all died in early February. In February of 2007 I was wondering if I was going to make it myself. I had some rather aggressive bacteria eating away at my heart. My favorite get well card proclaimed on the outside, "Every germ has an angel that watches over it and whispers..." and when you opened the card it read, "Die little germ, die!" Well it did and I'm still here.

My daughter TuAnh who was visiting last weekend with the entire family reminded me at the time that I had a "heart" problem.

"I know I have a heart problem, that's why I'm on the antibiotics."

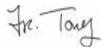
"No, no, no, not that kind of a heart problem. You have a *heart* problem."

And I did. It was at that time I found myself disheartened. Depressed.

While the majority of this note was written on the 5th of February, it will not be published until the 23rd. By then, please God, it will be a little warmer and for sure a lot lighter. The majority of the month has truly been a real live repeat of the movie" Ground Hog Day." Snow, deep freeze, cold then more snow, deep freeze, cold... you know the drill. It is called the weather pattern. Well, it's time to break the pattern.

Next week we get to do just that. Lent is coming and that marks a new beginning. New hope, new life. Our holy work is to dare to believe in that hope and life while sitting in the darkness. The light is coming. And that's a promise.

In Jesus, the Light in Our Darkness,



Parish Calendar



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FEBRUARY 23 - MARCH 2

Sunday, February 23, 2014 CRHP Men's Weekend

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. MQH Mass 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. RCIA in Rectory

Monday, February 24, 2014

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Grace Café in Barrett Hall

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Destiny Lock-In Planning in School Room 1

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

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study in Conf. Room

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. CCW in Barrett Hall

7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study in Room 13

Wednesday, February 26, 2014

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass

3:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. RE Classes in School/Church/Barrett Hall

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study in Conf. Room

Thursday, February 27, 2014

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Yoga in Barrett Hall

Friday, February 28, 2014

Bulletin Deadline March 9, 2014

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, March 1, 2014

3:30 p.m. Confessions 4:30 p.m. MQH Mass

Sunday, March 2, 2014

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

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. RCIA in Rooms 6, 7 & 13 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Baptisms in Church

Parish News

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.

Our March day of Eucharistic Adoration is on March 3, just before Lent begins. All are welcome to begin the day with Mass at 8:30 a.m. The day of prayer begins after Mass, and ends with Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

ELMHURST COLLEGE LIGHT OF KNOWLEDGE SCHOLARSHIP

Mary Queen of Heaven parishioners who are attending Elmhurst College are encouraged to apply for one of two scholarships to be awarded by MQH. You can be a traditional undergraduate student or a non/traditional adult student. Scholarships are \$2,500 each and are available for the upcoming 2014-2015 academic year. Contact Ruth Pusich, Elmhurst College Director of Financial Aid, at (630) 617-3080 or ruthp@elmhurst.edu for more information or to apply.

MARCH FOR LIFE 2014

The Diocese of Joliet Marched for Life on January 22 in Washington, D.C. Not even brutally cold temperatures could stop the determined group! Over 260 Joliet Diocesan youth, adults, clergy, and religious joined hundreds of thousands who courageously advocated for life through their peaceful March that ended at the Supreme Court. The multiple day pilgrimage also included prayer, a celebration of life dinner with Bishop Siegel, touring and much more. The pilgrims showed their true love and passion for life throughout the experience, and continue to do so after returning home! Thank you for keeping us in your prayers and for your support!

Religious Education News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Please mark your calendars:

- Wednesday, February 26 Confirmation candidates and their parents will meet with Fr. Tony at 6:45 p.m. in Church.
- Saturday, March 8 Final Confirmation Interviews will take place in school from 9:00 a.m. - Noon. Candidates will be receiving their assigned Interview time and place shortly.
- Monday, March 10 Confirmation practice takes place in Church from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 Practice is mandatory and for CANDIDATES ONLY.
- Sunday, March 16 The celebration of Confirmation takes place at the parish at 2:00 p.m. in church. Candidates are to report to the school building by 1:30 p.m.

Please make any payments for outstanding RE tuition and fees into the Office as soon as possible.

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



The weekly deadline for articles to be included in the Sunday Bulletin is

IS FRIDAY AT NOON

(10 days before the Sunday Bulletin) Unless otherwise indicated.

Thank you for your cooperation.



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Preschool News



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

Registration for 2014-15 school year has begun. Registration papers are available online at **www.maryqueenpreschool.org.** Individual tours may be scheduled in February.

Diocesan News

MISSED A STEP? ANOTHER OPTION IS HERE!

Are you a teen or adult Catholic who has not yet been confirmed? Immaculate Conception will offer adult Confirmation classes beginning on Wednesday, March 19 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the PAC/Rectory, located at 134 Arthur Street in Elmhurst. They will meet for five sessions, concluding the week of April 23. They will not meet during Holy Week.

You do not need to be a member of Immaculate Conception Parish to participate in these classes. Confirmation will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet on Sunday, May 4, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. For additional information, please contact Pam Stefik at (630) 530-3497.

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Diocesan News

THE 2014 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL IS UNDERWAY

"TRUST IN THE FATHER'S CARE"

This week, you are asked to review the Annual Appeal tabloid that you will receive with your bulletin today. The Annual Appeal campaign is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a pledge and pay it in 10 payments.

A significant gift to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. The Annual Appeal provides a significant portion of the budget of the Diocese of Joliet. Most dioceses in the country conduct an appeal, once a year, to help with the costs of providing services and programs to their parishes and people. The Diocese of Joliet is no exception.

As you review the work enabled by your contribution to the CMAA, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to your parish, to the diocese, and to the work of the church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you. He never forgets you.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how ones pledge can help an organization the size of our diocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign, and the gifts of many enable our diocese to deliver needed education, ministry, and services. Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our diocese.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you who did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, you will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses next weekend.

After your parish exceeds its CMAA goal of \$45,459.00 in paid pledges, 60% of any additional funds are returned for use in your parish.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, MARCH 1 SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2014

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta
Lector	B. Dunn	K. Sutkus	S. Napolilli
Eucharistic Ministers	J. Vilim (S) H. Todd (C) J. Alonso T. Sabel B. Eadon G. Los K. Diggins	M. Pena (S) D. Styka (C) R. Styka T. Nanak P. Mena P. Mason	P. Twardowski (S) B. Caramot (C) M. McDonald K. Mueller D. Justus J. Pinkerton
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Collection Totals for: Sunday, February 16, 2014			
Sunday Collection	\$8,055.00		
Parish Pay	\$4,356.41		
Children	\$35.38		
Collection Total	\$12,446.79		

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

Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.



Sunday, February 23, 2014

8:30 a.m. † Clifford Foster 10:30 a.m. Ralph St. Pierre

Monday, February 24, 2014

† Bernice and Stephen Ruff 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

† Patricia Timothy 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, February 26, 2014

8:30 a.m. † Alina Maria Izdebska

Thursday, February 27, 2014

8:30 a.m. **MQH** Parishioners

Friday, February 28, 2014

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, March 1, 2014

4:30 p.m. † Janice Pironey

Sunday, March 2, 2014

8:30 a.m. † Albert Fuchsen 10:30 a.m. † Salvatore Rinchiuso

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of February 23, 2014

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/ Sunday:

Mt 5:38-48

Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29 Monday: Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37 Tuesday: Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Mk 9:38-40 Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:41-50 Thursday: Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Mk 10:1-12 Jas 5:13-20/Mk 10:13-16 Saturday:

Next Sunday: Is 49:14-15/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34

Prayer List

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Fr. John Barrett Sam Cappello Caleb Wilson (2 years old) Bernadette Telander



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



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