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FIFTH SUNDAY OF

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April 6, 2014 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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



From the Archives

"When you give alms (works of mercy) do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing and your

Father who sees in secret, He will repay you."

In this season of serious alms giving and works of mercy, I reprint a note written in 1996. Jesus always comes back to repay you.

It doesn't happen very often and so I have learned never to expect it when it does happen, it is oh, so sweet!

Despite the so-called rosy economic look, there are a lot of people in financial trouble. I daresay we have had more people at the door in the last two months than all of the rest of the year combined. And I must confess that after a while I get a little wary. The hardest thing to discern is when you are genuinely helping people or when you are playing the codependent and simply enslaving them in their habits of self-destruction. It is a judgment call almost impossible to make.

A holy man once told me that whether you give something or not is not as critical as paying attention to the person in front of you, to look into their eyes and to give them the time of day (sometimes it's easier and faster to just stuff cash in their hands and dismiss them). About three years ago, there were two young Mexican men not at my door but sitting in my backyard. They were accompanied by a state trooper. They looked a wreck. I would later learn that they hadn't slept in two days, eaten in three nor changed their clothes in a week. The officer told me of their plight. They were caught by a trucker on I-57 who found them hiding inside the wind cowl of his semi-tractor. They had evidently hid in there at the rest stop near Peotone. Can you imagine traveling sixty miles an hour down the interstate holding on for dear life and not knowing where you're going? Well, lucky me, they ended up in my backyard.

"Cuál es tu nombre? What is your name? "Jesus" (that's pronounced heysoos). And to the other l asked the same question, "Jesus, también." Oh, great, l thought, just what I need, two Jesus's in my backyard. I thanked the officer for bringing them to me and told him I would take care of them.

I looked into their eyes. Hidden under the grime and the hardness of their life. I saw two young boys, vulnerable and scared out of their wits. I asked them what I could do for them and they couldn't even respond. I brought them into the house, found a change of clothes for them and pointed to the shower. A half hour later they emerged looking (and smelling) much better. Luis took them to an all-you-can-eat buffet and, believe me, the restaurant made no money on them that day. By now, they were more relaxed and told me that what they truly wanted to do was to get back to Atlanta where at least they had some friends and the possibility of work. A bus for Atlanta didn't leave until the next morning and so, after discussing it with Luis and his brother, José, who was living with us at the time, we invited them to stay the night. I unfolded the hide-a-bed in the downstairs living area and quietly instructed Luis to lock his room. My room and José's don't have locks on them, so Luis with a smile suggested that we just hide the kitchen knives. Very funny, I thought, but didn't smile.

Very early the next morning Luis drove them to the bus station, bought them tickets to Georgia (one of our parishioners three days before put some money in my hand and said, "Here, use this for the poor."), gave them \$20 of his own money for food and bade them farewell. And that was that. Until last Friday. I had just come back from Mass and was on my way out to the hospital when the front doorbell rang. It was a young Hispanic man and I asked him with an audible sigh in Spanish if I could help him. He responded in English. "Do you know who I am?" I had violated my own rule and did not want to look in his eyes but did so. He seemed familiar but being poor not only at names but also faces, I couldn't place him. "I'm Jesus" he said. "Sure" I thought, "they are all Jesus." "Don't you remember? Three years ago you took me in and sent me and my friend back to Atlanta." It was him alright, Jesus #1. He told me that he couldn't remember the name of the church or my name but remembered that he was in the city of Kankakee. And so he took a bus from Louisville where he is now living to Chicago down to Kankakee and started walking from Catholic church to Catholic church until he found us. St. Teresa was the

Note from the Pastor (cont.)

fourth church he visited. "All I ask from you, Father, is *un* sobre (an envelope). I gave him an envelope, invited him in, asked him if he was hungry (silly question) and we shared breakfast together. I told him it was neat to see him and asked him what he was doing in the area. He told me he had some business and would be returning to Louisville the next day. I offered to take him to the bus depot and drop him off on my way to the hospital. "That would be just fine." As he was leaving the car he handed me the envelope and said, "Sometime I will see you again." "I hope so", I said and gave him my name and address. "By the way, what's your name?" "Jesus Estrada" he replied. As he left the car I shouted out, "Que le vaya con los angeles." And that was that. Well, not quite.

While I was on my way to the hospital, it hit me. Sometimes I'm a really slow learner. Jesus made the trip from Louisville, Kentucky to Chicago to Kankakee and back again simply to find me and thank me. It wasn't an afterthought or a side trip. I was the reason for the trip. Talk about dense. I just didn't get it. I then opened the envelope and inside was a new \$50 bill, a new \$20 bill and the oldest \$100 bill I have ever seen in my life. It looked like it went through the Civil War. I was touched and humbled at the same time.

The Bible is pretty explicit. When you give money, give it with the idea that you will not be repaid, and your Father in heaven will do the repaying. Through the years whenever people "borrow" money, it is a given that I probably will never see it again. So when something like this happens, I am completely blown out of the water. I have been looking at the old \$100 bill now for a week and have decided to frame it along with this Note from the Pastor. One of these days, Jesus Estrada is going to cross my path again and this time I will have a present for him.

In Jesus, the Eternal Gift Giver,

tr. long

Lenten Schedule

PARISH LENTEN SCHEDULE



<u>Stations of the Cross</u> Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

<u>Confessions</u> Saturdays - 3:30 p.m.

<u>Palm Sunday</u> April 12 - 13 Mass on Saturday - 4:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Holy Thursday April 17 Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 p.m.

> <u>Good Friday</u> April 18

Stations of the Cross 12:00 Noon Good Friday Service 7:00 p.m.



Holy Saturday April 19

Blessing of Easter Baskets 11:00 a.m. in Church

Solemn Easter Vigil 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 20 Masses: 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon

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Parish Calendar

CALENDAR OF EVENTS **APRIL 6 - APRIL 13**

Sunday, April 6, 2014

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

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. RCIA in School Room 6, 7 & 13

Monday, April 7, 2014

8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

MQH Mass Fucharistic Adoration in Church Preschool Board Meeting in Room 7 CRHP (Men) in Room 13

Tuesday, April 8, 2014

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study in Conf. Room 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Baptism Class in Church 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study in Room 7

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Bulletin Deadline April 20, 2013

8:30 a.m. MQH Mass 3:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. RE Classes in Church/Barrett Hall/School 7:00 p.m. **RE Living Stations of the Cross** 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study in Conf. Room

Thursday, April 10, 2014

8:30 a.m.

MQH Mass

Friday, April 11, 2014

8:30 a.m. Communion Service 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Peace and Justice "Hunger in America" in Barrett Hall 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross in Church

Saturday, April 12, 2014

9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon AED Training in SH 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. First Communion Bread Breaking Parents with Children in Church 3:30 p.m. Confessions 4:30 p.m. MQH Mass

Sunday, April 13, 2014

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. MQH Mass 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. RCIA Retreat in Church/Social Hall/Room 13

BULLETIN DEADLINES

For Bulletin On	Articles due by noon
Sunday, April 20	Wednesday, April 9
Sunday, April 27	Wednesday, April 16
Sunday, May 4	Friday, April 25

Thank you for your cooperation.

Parish News

A LENTEN EXERCISE APRIL 11 AT 6:00 P.M. IN BARRETT HALL

The ministry of Peace and Justice is offering a Lenten Experience for all of our Mary Queen families. We invite everyone to join together on Friday, April 11 in Barrett Hall to share a simple pot luck supper of meatless soup, salad and bread. Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. We will then move into church to pray the Stations of the Cross and go back to Barrett Hall afterwards to share a light desert and review a section of the movie A Place at the Table. This deals with the topic of hunger in America and programs that assist the hungry. A short discussion will follow and we will write letters to our legislators in support of increasing funding to some of these programs. Examples of letters will be available. This is a great way for children to learn social responsibility.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of church to register your family and what you can bring. Hope to see you there.

MQH MEN'S GROUP ANNUAL ROAD TRIP TO MILLER PARK IN MILWAUKEE, **WISCONSIN SATURDAY, APRIL 26**

The Men's Group of MQH would like to invite all adult-aged men to join them for a late afternoon and evening of baseball, watching the Milwaukee Brewers play the Chicago Cubs at Miller Park. The group will be leaving the MQH parking lot at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 26 by Coach Bus and returning the same night around 11:30 p.m. The cost per attendee will be \$65.00 (checks can be made out to Mary Queen of Heaven) which will include your ticket to the game, round trip transportation, and beverages on the bus. Tickets are limited to a maximum of 40 and going fast, so don't delay. You can Reserve your space by contacting Jim Japczyk at jfjapczyk@gmail.com. Please join the men of MQH for some fellowship on this road trip to Miller Park to see America's pastime in full swing!

Parish News

AED TRAINING

Automated external defibrillator training will be held in the Social Hall on April 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. High school students are welcome. To enroll contact John Menarek at (630) 818-0091.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Come and spend some time in prayer at our next day of Eucharistic Adoration, Monday, April 7. The day begins with Mass at 8:30 a.m., and ends with Benediction at 7:00 p.m.. Remember, there is perpetual adoration in the Visitation adoration chapel located at 799 S. York Road. Questions? Please call Kay Diggins, (630) 530-7214, or Rose Wilkes, (630) 833-7238.



MQH EASTER EGG HUNT APRIL 19, 2014

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 11:30 a.m. after the Blessing of the baskets. This year it will be inside the school and kids up to 7 years old can participate. We will split the egg hunt into three rooms according to age group: 2-3yr olds, 4-5yr olds, and 6-7yr olds. Each room will have an egg with a golden coin in it. Who-



ever finds the coin will win an Easter basket.

We will also have a visit from the Easter Bunny... so parents bring your cameras.

We are looking for candy donations for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring your donations to the back of church by April 13.

For more information, please contact Norma Williamson at (630) 215-8611 or email her at: njvdesigns@yahoo.com.

FATHER TONY HOMILIES

You can now play homilies from the Mary Queen website (**www.maryqueen.org**) on your mobile device such as iPad or cell phone. Fr. Tony's homilies are available on DVD to watch on your TV or computer. They are also available as Audio CD for listening on a CD player or in your car. Homilies from 2013 are available now or preorder January-June 2014.

You can also order homilies as audio mp3 files, which can be played on a computer or transfer to a mobile device.

Circle the items that you want:

- 2013:38 homilies on 6 Video DVDs \$25
- 2013:38 homilies on 8 Audio CDs \$25
- 2013:38 homilies as MP3 audio files 2014: Approximately 20 homilies on 3 Video DVDs \$15
- 2014: Approximately 20 homilies on 4 Audio CDs - \$15
- 2014: Approximately 20 homilies as MP3 audio files - \$10
- 2014: Parish Mission "Spirituality in the first and second half of life" -Video DVD \$15
- 2014: Parish Mission Audio CD \$15

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Email Address (optional)_____

Mail your order to: Mary Queen of Heaven Parish Office, 426 N. West Avenue, Elmhurst, IL 60126 OR put it in the Sunday collection and mark the envelope "Homilies". Make Checks Payable to "Mary Queen of Heaven". Financial assistance is available, contact Fr. Tony. For questions or to check status of your order, call the parish office at (630) 279-5700. All proceeds will go to a charity supported by Mary Queen of Heaven.

Religious Education News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Our RE year is winding down and we are already starting to plan for next fall. Please begin to pray about how you can help in our program. As always, we will have some catechist and aide spots to fill. The faith formation of our children is in your hands.

Have a safe and happy Spring Break. Class resumes at the normal times on Wednesday, April 9.

Wednesday, April 9 - Please join our 7th graders in church to pray their annual presentation of the Living Stations in church at 7:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars:

- Saturday, April 12 Grade 2 Parent and child Bread Breaking session in church at 10:00 a.m. Practice at 12:30 p.m. for those that are making their First Communion on April 26 at 11:00 a.m. One parent is required to accompany their child. Practice should take about 45 minutes.
- Wednesday, April 16 NO CLASS due to Holy Week.
- Wednesday, April 23 Last RE class All school food drive during session 3.

Registrations for the 2014-2015 RE year have been mailed to our families. If you would like to be put on our mailing list, please contact the REO. Remember parish registration is a prerequisite for registration in the Religious Education Program.

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

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT



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.

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

January and February Baptisms



John Koebert Barto IV Allison Anna Mojek

Community News

St. Baldrick's Event

Looking for a fun, friendly way to celebrate Spring? Grab your neighbors, friends, and family and join in for an amazing event for charity benefiting St. Baldrick's Foundation.

When:	Thursday, April 10, 21014
Where:	Ms. Roberts Academy of Beauty Culture
	17 E. Park Blvd. Villa Park, IL 60181
Time:	5:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.

Head shaving, face painting, feathers for the hair, pizza and beverages, raffles and more will be offered for a small donation. All donations go to benefit Pediatric Cancer research.

> For more information on how you can join in or donate, please visit: http://www.stbaldricks.org/events/ mypage/11179/2014

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, APRIL 12 SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2014					
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM		
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta		
Lector	A. Novar D. Novar	B. Nosek R. Villamil	E. Cutri P. Reynertson		
Eucharistic Ministers	K. Diggins (S) S. Pingitore (C) T. Sabel H. Todd J. Vilim M. White J. Alonso	R. Styka (S) D. Styka (C) T. Nanak M. Pena M. Pena K. Vicary	D. Justus (S) B. Kevil (C) T. Kevil R. Marro M. McDonald J. Spears J. Pinkerton		
Altar Servers	N. Anderson K. Lewand G. Vandenberg	C. Selfridge K. Selfridge P. Vosicky	T. Procajlo G. Hendron J. Race		



The collection for April 3 will be published in the April 20 bulletin

Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.

FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 6, 2014 8:30 a.m. MQH Parishioners 10:30 a.m. † Sam Cappello

Monday, April 7, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Albert Fuchsen

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Frank Fehring

Wednesday, April 9, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Martin Reilly

- Thursday, April 10, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Jean Caruso
- Friday, April 11, 2014 8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, April 12, 2014

4:30 p.m. † Jean Caruso

Sunday, April 13, 2014

8:30 a.m.	†	Janina Trynka
10:30 a.m.	†	Mary Szypulski

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of April 6, 2014

Sunday:	Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45
	or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or
	13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday:	Mt 21:1-11/ls 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/
	Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Post-abortive women and men are encouraged to attend the Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat. The next scheduled retreat will be held May 2-4, 2014, beginning Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. and continuing through Sunday early afternoon. Please contact Kay at 1-866-994-GIVE for additional information.

SOCCER BALLS COLLECTION UPDATE

The collected soccer balls finally made their way to the children in Tanzania, Africa. One final thank you to everyone for helping in this amazing project.

Gratefully, Dominik Gliatis

