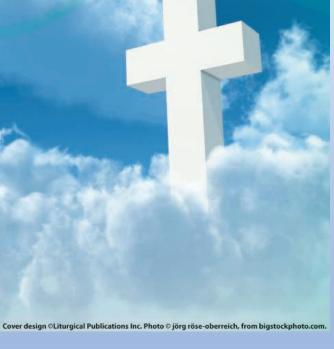
# MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CHURCH

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# ASCENSION OF THE LORD you are witnesses



June 1, 2014 Ascension of the Lord

### Worship Schedule

<u>Weekend Masses</u> 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.

<u>Rosary Devotion</u> 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**

Rev. Anthony R. Taschetta Pastor

Rev. John Barrett Pastor Emeritus

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# Note from the Pastor



### Preach, Baby, Preach!

Madonna once infamously sang, "Papa, don't preach." And truth be told, no one wants to be preached at. When you preach at someone you're giving them a piece of your mind. It feels like an assault. And yet one of the major jobs of this Papa (me) is to preach. I once had a housekeeper in Oswego who was listening to me talk as she was cleaning the house. "Talk, talk, talk. All you ever do is talk. Don't you ever work?" "This is my work," I cried, "It's what I do! (more or less)." I swear, I came out of the womb talking. And up until now I haven't stopped. That's about to change.

When I publically speak or preach one of my favorite opening lines is, "Can you hear me in the back of the room?" That's a silly question. God gave me a voice that can crack glass. My follow up line is always the same, "Good. My daddy used to say, 'Son, if you can't be good at least be loud.'" And loud I am. I speak in primary colors and I'm about as subtle as a building falling on your head. And when I am done preaching, I'm always amazed that the vast majority of you all have listened.

Someone once asked me where I get all my ideas for homilies. That's easy, I ask myself what do I need to hear and I basically preach to myself. What is the Scripture text saying to me in my life today? What do I need to do to grow into the person I am called to be, fully alive in the Christ? And then I preach to myself. You get to listen in.

While packing these last few weeks, I ran across the second 'Note from the Pastor' that I wrote to you after I arrived. In it I confessed that I was an "unwed father." I then shared with you about my children and grandchildren. And many of you being parents and grandparents yourselves received it without a problem. Well, today, I've got another confession to make. Someone once asked me how many different sermons I've preached in my life. The truth is, only one. I just preach it in 8,000 different ways.

And that one sermon? I believe that all of us have a life message. Paul talks about different gifts for different people that build up the Body of Christ. Some are healers, some are teachers, some are servers, some a preachers. And the list goes on. And no matter what our gift, it adds something to the building of the Body of Christ. The one with the gift of hospitality creates a secure environment where we can discover who we truly are. The healer, heals. And the preacher?

I truly believe the seeds of my vocation go back to second grade as I was preparing for First Communion. At that time I had a rather profound mystical experience. (Yes, yes, I believe little kids have mystical experiences all the time... they just don't have words for them. And neither do we.) On the day before First Communion, sitting on the swing in the playground of St. Michael Church, the world opened up and I experienced in my entire being the presence of God. It was Holy Communion before I received Holy Communion. As quickly as the heavens opened up, they closed. The next day, I made my First Holy Communion and it was nice but...

From that day on I can remember going to church and listening to the sermons. My pastor was a good preacher but the poor fellow we had from the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart could hardly get a sentence out. Often there was an audible groan when he walked out onto the altar to celebrate. But no matter who the preacher was, good or bad, I can remember thinking as a fifth grader, I can do better than that (Oh, the arrogance of the uneducated) and, why don't they talk about something that really counts. I was, of course, remembering my experience and experiences that followed. By now I was beginning to recognize the presence of the Divine in both big and very little ways. By now, I knew that when my mother made bread on Saturday mornings and we ate it Saturday afternoon around the table that something special was going on, something holy and God was there. And I wanted to preach about it. And so I have.

My one sermon? My life message? We are inseparable from the Divine. And the Divine is not only benign but loving. God is not out there! We are not separate beings independent of God. We are part of God. God is the ocean, we are the waves. And if we are so intimately one with the Divine, and everyone else is as well, then we are intimately one with each other. Separation, division, hatred, wars are all an

# Note from the Pastor (cont.)

illusion. The reality is unity... and diversity. And it's sweet. That's my sermon, that's my life message. And now you know.

How many ways are there of telling that truth? Let me count the ways. Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel once told the story of the professor who asked his students how they could tell when the dawn had broken. One student answered, "when you can distinguish between an oak tree and an elm tree." No. Another suggested, 'when you can see the mountains from the clouds.' No. Well then, tell us when. "The dawn has broken and you can see the light when you look at all other human beings and you can see that they are all your brothers and sisters. Anything else, and you remain in the darkness no matter what the hour is."

There. I preached. Amen.

In Jesus, Gods Proclamation,

pr. love

### **Parish News**



### FATHER TONY'S RETIREMENT RECEPTIONS

All parishioners and their families are invited to wish Father Tony farewell

the weekend of June 7 and 8. This is the last opportunity we will have to say "good bye" and "thank you" for everything he has done for us and Mary Queen of Heaven parish and "best wishes" on his retirement. Father has been a remarkable Shepherd to the faith community of our parish and words can not ever express our gratitude. Father Tony will be celebrating all the Masses the weekend of June 7 and 8 and <u>after</u> <u>each Mass</u>, he will be honored with a reception in Barrett Hall. We hope everyone will join us in this tribute to Father Tony.

# **Parish News**



### <u>NO MEETINGS TO BE</u> <u>SCHEDULED</u> FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

Due to maintenance and to give all parishioners the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful summer days, there will be no meetings scheduled on the parish grounds for the month of July.

### THANK YOU FROM SISTER MARLENE

Thank you, Father Tony and everyone who helped make my Jubilee celebration such a memorable event. The liturgy was beautiful and the food at the reception was delicious! I'll remember the day for many years to come.

Gratefully, Sister Marlene Geimer, SLW.



### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

You are invited to spend some time in Jesus' Eucharistic Presence during our day of Eucharistic Adoration, Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The day begins with Mass at 8:30 a.m. and ends with Benediction at **7:00 p.m.** Please join us for Benediction too. There is a schedule in the back of church if you wish to sign up for a time that works for you. 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.

### **CCW DUES**

Annual dues (\$5.00) for the Council of Catholic Women will be collected during the month of June. The CCW sponsors many events throughout the year including the Senior Citizen Christmas Dinner, the Mother's Day Carnation Remembrance, and the Spring Plant Sale. All women in the parish are considered members of the Council of Catholic Women. The yellow CCW envelope can be placed in the collection basket anytime in June. If you would like to be informed of upcoming CCW events, please include your email address on the outside of the envelope. Those who are enrolled in Parish Pay can drop any kind of envelope marked CCW Dues and your email if you wish, in the collection basket with \$5 anytime during the month of June. Thank you, Council of Catholic Women.

# **CCW LADIES NIGHT**

COME JOIN THE LADIES OF MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN AS WE HONOR OUR OUR CCW "WOMAN OF THE YEAR"

# MARIE GROZIK

ON TUESDAY JUNE 10, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.

> CASEY'S 415 E. NORTH AVE. IN LOMBARD \$27.00 PER PERSON

INCLUDES: SOUP, SALAD, PASTA, CHOICE OF 2 ENTREES, DESSERT AND COFFEE.

A CASH BAR WILL BE AVAILABLE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL DAYNA PIERZCHALA (630) \$34-3233 OR MARY WHITE (630) \$33-9809

Deadline for the reservations is Sunday, June 1. Please return your reservation form with check to a CCW representative, in the collection basket, or return to the parish office. Checks should be made payable to Mary Queen of Heaven CCW.

Name\_\_\_

Phone

# **Parish News**

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

In a prayerful spirit, today, making prayer shawls is a great blessing to everyone to be closer to God, those



who participate in making shawls and those who've received. Everyone has a place in this ministry. Much like the song, "All are Welcome," let's pray together to open our hearts and minds in this beautiful, loving ministry. Families can gather together in their own home to have a blessing time of making shawls. We can provide the materials and instructions.

Perhaps you are able to:

- Donate time (together or on your own), skills or supplies.
- Create, tie, count, knit, crochet, sew, cut, measure, etc.
- Pray while making the shawls.
- Distribute shawls.

email list for yoga.

 Receive shawls – anyone who is in need to feel close to God.

We're looking for willing participants in this beautiful and rewarding Mary Queen of Heaven Ministry. Please contact Ruth Maple at (630) 279-5612.

We will meet on Thursday night, June 19 at 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the Room 4-5 in MQH school, for information, general instructions, and some prayer time.



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# **Religious Education News**

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

#### **RE Registrations**

We are continuing to take registrations for those classes where there is still room. Please note that class lists are filling up and space is limited to registered parishioners.

#### **Catechists Needed**

We have had some folks respond to our request for help and we thank you. However, we are still in need of a few catechists at various grade levels at various session times. If you are a loving, welcoming, accepting, forgiving person, you have the most important qualifications for being a catechist. You don't have to be a theologian, just someone who can help our children understand how the Gospel can be applied to their lives. Come share your Faith with the young people of Mary, Queen. Please contact the RE office for more information.

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

### ARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

Preschool registration for 2014-15 school year is full. You may call for information and have your child placed on the wait list. There are a few openings in the KEP class.

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

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# **Diocesan News**

Join us for our SUMMER youth program: Lighten up. . . ... your path! JUNE 15-19TH, 2014 AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH (0.4 Arthur 9), Emburth 2 (0-4-04 n.m. JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL Join teens from around the Bensenville/Elmhurst area for a week of tun and learning. College students from the *Totas Thus* program will lead five exempts of exploring how you can find light and direction in your own lives. Showing-cream whitle half and snacks included! Bring your triends! For more information wheat how you can sign up for "higher up," call or enail tritti Quinter at (6.33) THE-BEZZ, Hoffins@Hotparint.org or go to your instaarist.org Lighten up... your path KIDS' SUMMER VBS Mon- Fri. 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Cost: \$30 per child Learn about how the 10 Commandments can lighten up your path -win ILINE 16-20 At St. Charles Bo games, skits, songs, and more! FASE Grand Ave. 8 Kids entering grades 1-6 bring your triends?

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, JUNE 7 SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2014					
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM		
Presider	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta	Fr. Taschetta		
Lector	E. Walker	M. Grozik	P. Reynertson		
Eucharistic Ministers	K. Passarelli (S) S. Pingitore (C) C. Reisenbuckler T. Sabel H. Todd J. Alonso M. White	M. Pena (S) M. Pena (C) D. Styka R. Styka K. Vicary N. Williamson	G. Pinkerton (S) J. Spears (C) B. Carambot K. Gusloff T. Gusloff B. Kevil T. Kevil		
Altar Servers	A. Lang M. Kerley N. Anderson	G. Vandenberg K. Schacht T. Serpico	J. Race P. Vosicky M. Kerley		

Church Support				
Collection Totals for: Sunday, May 25, 2014				
Sunday Collection	\$7,770.00			
Parish Pay	\$4,549.83			
Children	\$12.80			
Collection Total	\$12,332.63			

165 parishioner envelopes were used. 149 parishioners—Parish Pay.

Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.



Sunday, June 1, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Walter Luszczyk 10:30 a.m. † Mary and Myron Watry

Monday, June 2, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Faye St. Pierre

Tuesday, June 3, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Sam Cappello

Wednesday, June 4, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Simon and Helena Zelazny

Thursday, June 5, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Martin Reilly

Friday, June 6, 2014 8:30 a.m. Gene Los Family

Saturday, June 7, 2014 4:30 p.m. † Lucille Maricich-DeCero

### Sunday, June 8, 2014

8:30 a.m.The People of Mary Queen10:30 a.m.†Joe and Angie Taschetta

† indicates person is deceased

### Readings for the Week of June 1, 2014

Acts 1:12-14/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a Sunday: Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19 Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25 Saturday: Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or JI 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/ Jn 20:19-23

## **Prayer List**

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Fr. John Barrett Rosalie and Milt Honel Dorothy Neven



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

