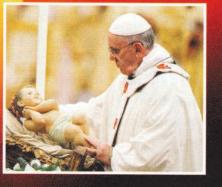
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OUR ADVENT JOURNEY WITH Christ



IN THE WORDS OF POPE FRANCIS

November 30, 2014

First Sunday of Advent

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., Thurs., and Fri.: Mass Wed.: Communion Service 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 at least 6 months in advance.

Parish Office Hours Mon.-Fri.:9:00am-4:00pm

Pastoral Staff

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Note from the Pastor

Happy Advent! Can you believe that the time of Christmas preparation is already upon us? I think I start to sense the change coming when that

section at the store turns from garden supply to back to school to candy. However, until Thanksgiving, it seems so far off, something else that will have to wait until the day when I have some time to prepare or until it cannot wait any longer.

It is probably no accident that our secular movement into the time we call Christmas involves weeks of mental preparation as we plan parties, gifts, and hope that the celebration of that one day in December lives up to our expectations. After all, the Church's celebration of Advent is all about waking up to the fact that Christ is coming, preparing for that day, and living in that sense of hope and expectation that is natural for a people waiting for a great day of joy to arrive.

Of course, the Church in Advent is helping us to realize not just that December 25th is coming, but that we are all approaching the coming of Jesus on the last day. Advent gives us a specific time to be reminded of that aspect of our lives. We should be preparing for that arrival every day. The business of life distracts us from that fact and can get even more in the way of realizing that we are not just preparing for a one day celebration of Jesus' birth, but the eternal celebration of his coming in glory.

I encourage you to be mindful of the spiritual preparation into which Advent calls you to enter, even as you are busy with decking the halls, gift buying and enjoying gatherings with family and friends. The reality is that Christmas 2014 will come and go. Consider how the time you spend in the next month will prepare you, not for Christmas, but for the days after? What will you be left with once the gifts are open, family has gone home, and the now brown pine needles must be picked up off the floor? Hopefully you will have something more to show for it than an empty bank account, overrun credit card, or pants that don't fit like they did in November.

In order to help you enter into this time of spiritual preparation, I encourage you to include a little Advent to help you stay mindful of the real reason for the season. Advent wreaths will be available for purchase after the Masses. An Advent reflection book entitled, "Our Advent Journey with Christ" will be available for you to take home as well. Take some time, even if just a few minutes each evening, to light the Advent candles and take a short break from the holiday bustle to read, consider how Christ is preparing you, and discuss your journey or insights with family and friends. I guarantee it will help you to be prepared for whatever comes, whether it is the challenge of surviving the Christmas rush in the stores or enjoying some time with the peace of the celebration of God's arrival among us as the baby Jesus.

May God bless your Advent time of preparation, expectation, and celebration.

Fr Jacon

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ADVENT WREATHS & CANDLES

Advent Wreaths and replacement candles will be available in the gathering space after all Masses.

The Advent Wreath Kit donation is \$12.00 and the replacement candles are \$4.00 per set.



BULLETIN DEADLINES

For Bulletin On	Articles due by Noon
Sunday, Dec. 14	Friday, Dec. 5
Sunday, Dec. 21	Wednesday, Dec. 10
Sunday, Dec. 28	Monday, Dec. 15
Sunday, Jan. 4	Monday, Dec. 22

Thank you for your cooperation.

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CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Our Christmas Food Drive will take place the weekend of December 13 and 14. Items needed to help the 25 families we have adopted are canned

fruit, soup, vegetables, prepared food, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, spaghetti sauce, potatoes, cranberry sauce, stuffing, baking items, paper towels, kleenex, toilet tissue, cleaning items, dish soap, shampoo and personal size soap. We are also in need of gift cards for Jewel, Mariano's, or Pete's Market. Thank you for your generosity!

The food will be sorted on Monday evening, December 15 at 7:00 p.m. and volunteers are need to help fill the Food Boxes. If you have a few free hours, your help would be greatly appreciated.



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

The Christmas Giving Tree will be up the weekend of November 29/30 and loaded with ornaments containing names of items for the families we have adopted. As in the past, we will also be supplying the Elmhurst

Extended Care Nursing Home with Christmas Please take an presents for their residents. ornament, purchase the gift, wrap it and place the ornament with the name facing up on the top of the wrapped present. All gifts need to be returned the weekend of December 13/14.

> If you have any questions, please call Sheila at (630) 833-6657.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH (CRHP) NO WORDS TO DESCRIBE IT! Do you want to have a spiritual experience so profound there are no words to even describe it? Consider attending a Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) weekend. Women's weekend is February 7-8, 2015 and the men's weekend is February 21-22, 2015. Questions? Contact Karen Sutkus at ksutkus1@comcast.net or (630) 279-3240.





Senior Christmas Dinner Saturday, December 6 5:30 p.m. in Barrett Hall

Feast of Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 8 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Advent Penance Service

Thursday, December 18 7:00 p.m. at Visitation Parish

Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 24

4:00 p.m.	Children's Mass
6:30 p.m.	Family Mass
10:30 p.m.	Choir Music
11:00 p.m.	Christmas Mass at Night

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25

8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Mass

Mary the Holy Mother of God

New Year's Eve, December 31 - 4:30 p.m. New Year's Day, January 1, 2015 - 9:00 a.m.



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SENIOR CITIZEN **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Sponsored by The Council of Catholic Women

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2014 IN **BARRETT HALL**

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING 4:30 pm Mass

All seniors are cordially invited to attend a Christmas Party in their honor. A Buffet Dinner will be served and entertainment will be provided by our Youth Group. Mark your calendar now and plan on having an enjoyable Saturday evening with good food, areat conversations and special entertainment prepared especially for you.

So that we can prepare food for everyone, if you are planning to attend, please fill in the form below and return it in the collection basket, the basket provided in the vestibule of the Church or return it to the Rectory.

> If you need transportation or have any questions, please contact Dayna Pierzchala at (630) 834-3233.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6.

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:_____

_ I/We will need transportation or assistance.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE **4:00 PM MASS**

It's time again to ask all you angels and shepherds, students, young adults, moms and dads to bring this year's 2014 Christmas Eve Children's Mass to life this year! Rehearsal will be held on:

- November 29: 1- 3pm (Social Hall)
- December 6: 1- 3pm (Church & Barrett Hall)
- December 13: 1- 3pm (Church & Barrett Hall)
- Last dress rehearsal December 20: 1-4pm

All Rehearsals must be attended. Parts will be assigned during the first rehearsal. If you have any questions contact Norma Williamson at (630) 903-6866 or njvdesigns@yahoo.com.



Children's choir (ages third grade and up) will participate in the Christmas Eve 4:00 p.m. Mass with Carols at 3:45 p.m. Rehearsals will take place at 11:40 a.m. in the choir loft, (approx. one hour) on the following Sundays: November 30, December 7, 14, and 21. The final warm-up will take place at 3:00 p.m. on December 24 in the choir loft. Call Ed Nowak at (708) 246-0868 with questions.



THANK YOU FOR BABY **BOTTLE FUNDRAISER**

Woman's Choice Services would like to extend a heartfelt "THANK YOU" to the parishioners of MARY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN for participating in this year's Baby Bottle for Life fundraising campaign. As of November 20, 2014, MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN has raised \$1,576.88! Your generous donations have not only contributed to spreading the message of the Culture of Life within your community, but also truly reflected the universality of the Catholic Church by supporting an organization that serves the Chicago area. We greatly appreciate your support, and ask that you keep Woman's Choice Services in your prayers.

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

You are invited to come and pray during our next day of Eucharistic Adoration on Monday, November 3, from after morn-

ing Mass until 7:00 p.m. when we close the day with Benediction. For questions or to adopt an hour, please call Kay Diggins at (630) 530-7214, or Rose Wilkes at (630) 833-7238. Our sister parish, Visitation, provides 24/7 adoration in their Perpetual Adoration chapel, Our Lady, Mother of the Eucharist, 799 S. York.

Joliday Trolley Tour EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF C

Join us for holiday trolley ride Sunday, December 7

Includes a trip to the Christkindlmarket in Chicago and a Christmas Lights tour

Leaving MQH parking lot at 3 p.m. Trolley is handicapped accessible

\$25 per person

Religious Education News



Marillac **Christmas Toy Drive**

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to reserve your spot

Bring a new, unwrapped toy for a child 0-12 years old, and put it in the huge box in the REO before Friday, December 12. (Please No toy guns)

Help the kids at Marillac House have a Merry Christmas! Thank you for your generosity!

> Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Church **Religious Education Office** (630) 832-8962 re@maryqueen.org

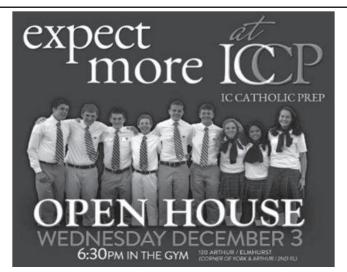
Preschool News



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN **PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT**

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

Community News



You can contact Mrs. Kate (Kinsella '96) Luburic in the Admissions Office at (630) 530-3484 or at kluburic@iccatholicprep.org with any questions.

Invest In Your World - Shop Fair Trade FAIR TRADE ARTISAN MARKET December 7 from 8:00AM – 2:00PM at IC Parish

Discover intriguing gifts and home decor handcrafted by skilled artisans from over fifteen developing countries at Immaculate Conception's third annual Fair Trade Market.

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7 2014						
	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM			
Lector	K. Passarelli	K. Sutkus	T. Kowalski			
Eucharistic Ministers	J. Alonso (C) K. Diggins M. Conway T. Sabel H. Todd B. Lawlor S. Pingatore	N. Williamson (C) R. Styka D. Styka D. Gornick K. Vicary D. Bernstein	W. Bonfiglio (C) D. Justice B. Kevil T. Kevil P. Twardowski R. Marro G. Pinkerton			
Altar Servers	B. Alex J. Bonelli C. Glosner	K. Selfridge C. Selfridge D. Dunn	S. Harrington B. Harrington J. Harrington			



 174 parishioner envelopes were used.
 117 parishioners contributed via Parish Pay.
 Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.



Sunday, November 30, 2014

8:30 a.m. † Dino & Adeline Fuggiti 10:30 a.m. Mary Ann Barry

Monday, December 1, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Faye St. Pierre

Tuesday, December 2, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Karin Schnauer

Wednesday, December 3, 2014 8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, December 4, 2014 8:30 a.m. † Rev. John Barrett

Friday, December 5, 2014 8:30 a.m. Gene Los Family

Saturday, December 6, 2014 4:30 p.m. † Blythe O'Sullivan

Sunday, December 7, 2014 8:30 a.m. Mary Ann Barry 10:30 a.m. † Carmen Giordano

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of November 30, 2014

Sunday:	ls 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/1 Cor 1:3-9/
	Mk 13:33-37
Monday:	ls 2:1-5/Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday:	ls 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday:	ls 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37
Thursday:	ls 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	ls 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31
Saturday:	ls 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Next Sunday:	ls 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Prayer List

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Rosalynn Adair Brian Doherty Denise Doherty John Doherty Milt and Rosalie Honel Catherine Zable



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



Contact <u>www.parishpay.com</u>, or call 866-PARISH-1 for further information.

28 The Holy Family 8:30am & 10:30am Masses 11:30am Men's CRHP /CR	 21 Fourth Sunday of Advent 8:30am & 10:30am Masses 8:30am RCIA /School 11:40am Children's Christmas Choir Practice /Choir Loft 2:00pm Baptisms /C 6:00pm Youth Group - Wings to Heaven Christmas Party /BH 	14 Third Sunday of Advent Christmas Food Drive 8:30am & 10:30am Masses 8:30am RCIA /School 11:40am Children's Christmas Choir Practice /Choir Loft	 7 Second Sunday of Advent 8:30am & 10:30am Masses 8:30am RCIA / School 11:30am Men's CRHP / CR 11:40am Children's Christmas Choir Practice //Choir Loft 2:30pm Baptisms / C 	30 First Sunday of Advent CCW Trolley Outing Sign Up 8:30am & 10:30am MQH Mass 8:30am RCIA/School 11:30am CRHP Men/CR 11:40am Children's Christmas Choir Practice /Choir Loft	Sun Sun	Marry Dugon of Horry
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