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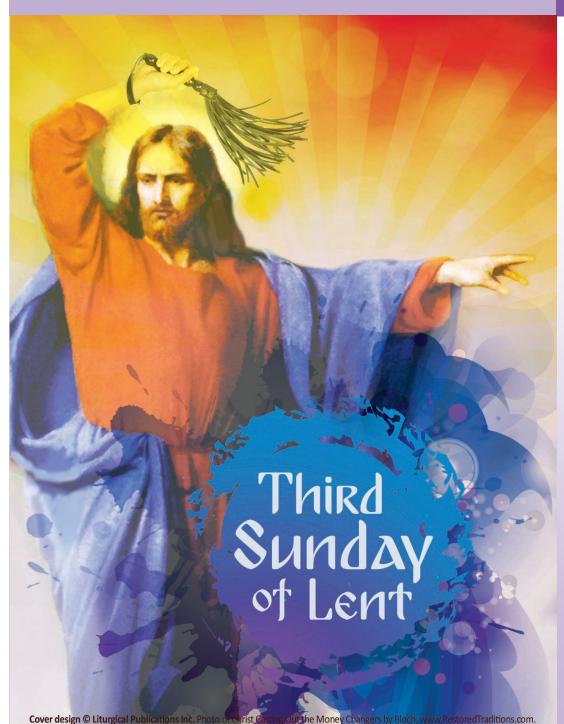
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March 8, 2015

Third 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., Thurs., and Fri.: Mass Wed.: Communion Service

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 at least 6 months in advance.

Parish Office Hours

Mon.-Fri.:9:00am-4:00pm

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A Message from the Pastor



As we move through Lent and these final days of winter, it can feel like the antiphon from Daytime Prayer sums up our state of being: "Let us

prove ourselves through patient endurance." Indeed, waiting for a break in the weather and longer, warmer days can be almost, if not more excruciating than waiting for Christmas. However, did you know that Lent is a time for new beginnings? In old English, the word Lent even means "springtime." Indeed, spring will be arriving soon. March is the month when spring begins, the clock springs forward, and Baseball Spring Training starts.

Lent should be a springtime for us spiritually as well. Just as we await the arrival of the first flowers peaking up through the snow, we await the joy of the Easter season. Even as we fast and pray in earnest, hopefully you are beginning to see the first buds of hope that God is helping you to grow, even in the midst of winter.

As we hunger in these days of fasting, even our food can help us to enter into prayer. Lent was a new beginning for one of my favorite foods. As tradition has it, a Monk was baking a simple bread meal and wanted it to remind his brothers that this is a time of prayer, so he twisted the bread into a crossed pattern to represent the crossed arms of a monk in prayer. Voila! The pretzel was born.

Next time you have a pretzel, remember to say a prayer and let it remind you that others are praying for you in this springtime of Lent. I pray that these days may be more than just something to be endured, but that they may be a springtime of hope in the new things God is preparing for you, whether spiritual or salty!

Fr Jason



FAMILY LENTEN EVENING OF PRAYER

The three traditional pillars of Lenten observance are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Bring the family and join the CCW as we lead the parish in the Scripture based prayer of the Rosary.



Tuesday, March 17 7:00 p.m. in the Church

Call Dayna at 630-834-3233 for questions. No sign-up is required. All are welcome!



The Third Sunday of Lent



Parish Mission at Immaculate Conception Parish

"The Sacraments: Treasures of Our Faith"
Fr. Tom McCarthy, OSA
March 8, 9, 10, 2015 • 7:00pm

March 8 – 7:00 pm. The Sacraments of Initiation
Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation

Where do you feel comfortable and welcome? Why did Jesus like to party so much? Do you know who the lost member of the Trinity is? What do bowling shoes have to do with Confirmation?

These questions and many more will be pondered and hopefully answered on Sunday night. Will you be there to find the answers or will you miss out and wonder forever?

March 9 – 7:00 pm. The Sacraments of Healing
Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation

Why is Hollywood boycotting Vatican II? What is the difference between the 5th and 6th Commandments? Find out why the Elmhurst Police Department will be flooded with calls on Monday night. You do not want to miss this night – come and find out why!

March 10–7:00 pm. The Sacraments of Vocation Matrimony and Holy Orders and Mass

Find out why you should never get married. Come and get your dishtowel.

If you are alive
If you are male or female
If you are young or old or somewhere in between
If you are a bishop, priest, deacon, sister, brother, or
lay minister

If you are married, divorced, widowed or single
If you have said yes to your vocation or if you are
still wondering what it is...

You need to be in Church on Tuesday night!

Reception in the Agnesian Room following Mass.



Journeying with St. Paul
Through Lent

Experience the peace of the Church's ageold "Evening Prayer" and explore what "life with Christ" meant for St. Paul through a four part series.

Presented by: Matt Pozen
Director of Parish Faith Formation
Visitation Parish

Journey with us through all four presentations or join in when you can.

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March 8, 9, 10, 2015 • 7:00pm

"Our Life in Christ"

March 16, 2015 • 7:00 - 8:30pm

Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Church

Presented in the church.

"The Mission of the Church"

March 23, 2015 • 7:00 - 8:30pm
Immaculate Conception Parish
Presented in the Marian Room.

"Your life is hidden with Christ in God"
-Colossians 3:3

Parish News



CALENDAR OF EVENTS MARCH 1- MARCH 7

3/8 Sunday

8:30 am Mass 8:30 am RCIA 10:30 am Mass

3/9 Monday

8:30 am Mass

6:30 pm Preschool Board Meeting /Rm 7

7:00 pm CRHP (Men) /Rm13

3/10 Tuesday

7:30 am Coffee & ... /BH

8:30 am Mass

9:30 am Bible Study /CR

6:30 pm CRHP (Women) /Rm 1
7:30 pm Baptism Class in Church
7:30 pm Ribbs Standard /Rm 12

7:30 pm

Bible Study /Rm 13

3/11 Wednesday

8:30 am Communion Service

3:15 pm - 8:00 pm RE Classes / Campus

3/12 Thursday

8:30 am Mass

9:00 am Yoga /BH

7:00 pm Diaconate Convocation Comm. /BH

7:30 pm Bible Study in School /Rm 13

3/13 Friday

Deadline for the Bulletin of March 22, 2015

8:30 am Mass

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross in Church

3/14 Saturday

3:30 pm Confessions 4:30 pm MQH Mass

6:30 pm Indian Community /C/BH

3/15 Sunday

8:30 am MQH Mass **8:30 am** RCIA

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10:30 am MQH Mass

2:00 pm Baptisms in Church

EASTER FOOD DRIVE

Food drive

Our Easter Food Drive will take place the weekend of March 21/22. We have adopted 12 families and are

looking for canned soup, vegetables, fruit, cereal, baking items, drinks, prepared foods, pasta, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, tissue, toilet paper, paper towels, laundry soap, personal soap and cleaning supplies. Jewel, Mariano's, Walmart and Target Gift Cards would also be appreciated so that the families can purchase meat for their Easter Dinner. In addition, we will be making up Easter Baskets for all the children in each family so we are also looking for goodies to be put in their baskets.

Grace Café

"...for I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
I was a stranger and you welcomed me.

-Matthew 23:35

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who participated in this wonderful evening to feed the hungry and people in need of company. Thank you for everything... the chili, the sloppy joes, the fruit salads, and the desserts; the servers and clean-up crew and everyone who graciously served. We lifted their spirits, filled their tummies, and sent them home with leftovers. God Bless you all!

Are you looking for... We have come across a roll-top desk in very good condition for sale. If interested, contact Mr. White at 630-346-8556 for

BULLETIN DEADLINES



Friday, March 13 DEADLINE for March 22

Wednesday, March 18 DEADLINE for Palm Sunday

> Monday, March 23 DEADLINE for Easter

Wednesday, April 1 DEADLINE for April 12

MQH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



"Woman of the Year" Elections March 21/22, 2015

All women of the parish, ages 18 and older, are invited to vote. Please stop by the table in the back of church to vote for one of our many deserving candidates. Good luck and congratulations to all who were nominated!

Marge Cappello I joined the parish with my husband, Sam, and my mother in 2002. At that time, Mary Foley approached Sam and I and asked us to join the group that counts the weekly collection. She then asked Sam to help out as handyman at the parish. Mary Foley was very helpful to us when my mother passed away and Father Tony was there for me when Sam passed away last year. At one of the Parish Ministry Fairs, I signed up to become a sacristan at Mass during the week. I enjoy baking and often bring treats for Mary Queen of Heaven functions, like hospitality, Grace Café and CCW events.

Gail Lewicki Beyond my commitment to my husband, my sister, my kids and grandkids, I have been a member of the parish for over 39 years. In my commitment to Mary Queen of Heaven, I don't see myself as just a member of a church – I am a member of the community. I give back as much as I get, including my work supporting the parish office as a volunteer each week, participating in the Council of Catholic Women as Family Commission Chair, transporting food from Mary Queen of Heaven to the food pantry at IC, participating in gardening club activities and decorating the church at Christmas time, one of my favorite activities. I am also committed to my own spiritual growth through the small faith group that I participate in each week. In the past, I have also been committed to teaching CCD to the youth of the parish. It is evident to my family that my commitment to church is a priority. My kids know that Monday mornings are dedicated to the church and a special time that I truly enjoy.

Ruth Maple My husband, Bob, and I have been parishioners for 35 years. We have raised 3 children at Mary Queen of Heaven – Jessica, Derek and Vicki. In the early 1990s, I worked with the children in the Religious Education classes, teaching them simple church songs to sing at Family Masses. That developed into a children's choir which I directed for 10 years. I have participated in various choir roles, including the Resurrection Choir, the adult choir, the children's choir and as choir director for 3 years. I was a past CCW president, Bible study leader and coordinator of the Christmas Eve Children's Mass. I graduated from the New Wine program in 2010 and started the Prayer Shawl ministry. In my years at Mary Queen, I have grown both spiritually and in leadership. I felt a sense of home and family at Mary Queen of Heaven.

Norma Williamson I have been a parishioner of Mary Queen of Heaven for 43 years. Mary Queen of Heaven is the parish I grew up in. My husband, Mathew, and I have been married for 11 years. Mathew is a Knight of Columbus and he also holds the Recycling Events here at Mary Queen of Heaven. We have a son, Roberto, who is 6 years old and is a 1st Grader at IC Catholic Grade School. I am involved in the Prayer Shawl Ministry, the Bereavement Ministry, Bible Study, the Children's Christmas Eve Mass, Parish Council and RCIA. I run the Easter Egg Hunt, am a Eucharistic Minister and I enjoy helping out in the parish whenever I am needed.

Catholic Education / Faith Formation News



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT

Registration for the 2015-16 school year is underway. You are welcome to come in to visit our school, see the classrooms and meet the teachers. Individual tours are by appointment only and are scheduled on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays from 8:00am - 1:00pm.

Mrs. Genet Pinkerton, Director Mary Queen of Heaven Preschool (630) 833-9500 mqhpreschool@maryqueen.org www.maryqueenpreschool.org



Living Stations will be performed by a group of 7th graders from RE on Wednesday, March 25 at 6:45pm in the church. All are welcome to this prayer opportunity to see the way of the cross and experience the sacrifice of Jesus in this dramatic manner.

-Jo Styler

Religious Education Office 630-862-8962 re@maryqueen.org

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During the weekend of March 14 and 15, our diocese will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. The Catholic Relief Services Collection funds six Catholic agencies that work to serve our suffering brothers and sisters around the world. Through humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families, and providing legal and advocacy services for migrants, the Catholic Relief Services Collection allows us to see every encounter with a person who is suffering as an opportunity to **help Jesus in disguise**.

In late 2012, a civil war erupted in the Central African Republic, resulting in a government takeover by a rebel leader whose militia included many mercenaries. At a certain point, the new rebel government could not pay their militia, so the mercenaries retaliated by attacking and pillaging the country, targeting many Christians. This violence continued into 2014.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Office of International Justice and Peace (IJP) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) worked with the Church in the Central African Republic to raise awareness and advocate for those who were suffering. As a result of their intervention, the United States committed \$101 million for Africa Union Peacekeepers and \$30 million for humanitarian assistance. The number of African Union Peacekeepers was increased from 1,200 to almost 6,000. Through projects like these, IJP and CRS help the Church stop violence and seek assistance for those whose lives have been destroyed by conflict.

Religious Immigration Services (RIS), a division of Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC), helps members of religious communities navigate the complicated system of visa requirements and immigration laws. In the United States, a community of three elderly sisters faced declining health, which made it difficult for them to carry out the activities of the convent and to travel for doctor's appointments. RIS advocates helped this community bring two younger sisters over from the Philippines. These new sisters will be able to take care of the convent and help the older sisters continue their religious service.

CRS and CLINIC are two of the six worldwide Catholic relief agencies funded by this Catholic Relief Services Collection. These agencies work each day to provide food, water, disaster relief, and other vital assistance to Jesus in the disguise of suffering people.

Please be generous in the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Your support truly makes a difference.

Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon Bishop of Joliet

MINISTRY SCHEDULE SATURDAY, MARCH 14 / SUNDAY, MARCH 15 2015

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Lector	R. Styka	G. Dolesy	P. Reynertson
Eucharistic Ministers	C. Reisenbuckler (C) A. DeCillo T. Sabel G. Los J. Alonso B. Lawlor S. Pingatore	M. Grozik (C) J. Eichorst K. Vicary D. Bernstein D. Styka R. Styka	M. Reed (C) G. Pinkerton B. Kevil T. Kevil J. Spears K. Carambot D. Justus
Altar Servers	B. Hernandez C. Hernandez G. Hernandez	K. Selfridge C. Selfridge J. Bonelli	A. Flores E. Frank J. Frank



Collection for: Sunday, March 1, 2015		
Sunday Collection	\$6,618.00	
Parish Pay	\$3,578.84	
Children	\$13.00	
Collection Total	\$10,209.84	

139 parishioner envelopes were used. 114 parishioners contributed via Parish Pay.

Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.



Sunday, March 8, 2015

8:30 a.m. † Matt Rohman 10:30 a.m. † Theo South

Monday, March 9, 2015

8:30 a.m. † Dorothy Plunkett Hudash

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

8:30 a.m. † Rev. John Barrett

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, March 12, 2015

8:30 a.m. † Mary & John Taychman

Friday, March 13, 2015

8:30 a.m. † Frank Corso

† Dorothy Corso

Saturday, March 14, 2015

4:30 p.m. † Tony Carlevato † Hazel Poskitt

Sunday, March 15, 2015

8:30 a.m. † Brenda Scanlon

10:30 a.m. † Liz Lowery

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of March 8, 2015



Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/ Sunday:

1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30 Monday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35 Tuesday:

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/

Jn 3:14-21

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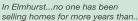
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