

## Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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## Worship Schedule <br> 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 a.m.

## Sacraments

Reconciliation - Saturday 3:30 p.m.

## Baptism

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:00 p.m. Required Baptismal preparation on the 2nd Tues. at 7:30 p.m. Call the Parish Office to register.

## Marriage

Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance.

## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am -4:00pm

## Church Info

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## A Message From Fr. Jason

"Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth peace to people of good will!" The angels, marveling at the beautiful event of God himself taking on flesh sing out this song at the birth of the Christ child. And all that God has created sings out each year as we celebrate that day in history when God, the infinite and beyond time, enters our world, humbling himself in a mortal body and allowing himself to be contained in time. This night is not like any other night, this birth not like any other birth, this miracle beyond any miraculous intervention that God has brought to light.

And so, even the angels are moved with joy and sing God's praise. On that night, even their praise is not contained to the heavens, but it spills into the fields where shepherds are grazing their sheep and proclaims to them the wonderful thing God has done: "A savior has been born to you!"

The angels proclaim the good news of the arrival of the Messiah for the first time, as messengers and witnesses. They bring the message, but do not stop with mere words. Their joy filled song reinforces the message and gives witness to the magnitude of the work of God. God has not forgotten humanity in its sin and brokenness, He has made Himself present to save us. What a cause for joy!

That joy spills through the generations and reverberates to us as we celebrate Christmas. Perhaps that is why we put more effort into celebrating Christmas than any other holiday. Perhaps that is why there are so many songs that are sung as part of this celebration, which itself cannot be contained in a single day.

We have been blessed to hear not just the story, but the songs of joy as well. Songs that cause us to pause as we fight the battles of this life, to look away from the violence and tension that fills the world most days, songs that melt the hardness of our hearts, at least for one holy night. And so we buy gifts, decorate homes, and gather with family not just because it is good to do so, but because we have heard the joyful message of salvation.

As you celebrate Christmas this year, may you be blessed with hearing the good news in word and in joyful song. May Christmas joy move your heart to go beyond simply re-creating tradition and into a remembrance that passes on the message and the Christmas song of joy to loved ones, neighbors, and even strangers.

Merry Christmas,
Fr. Jason

> Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God Holy Day of obligation
> New Year's Eve, December 31-4:30pm New Year's Day, January 1, 2017
> 8:30am and 10:30am


## Weekly Events

## 12/25 Sunday

Nativity of the Lord
8:30 AM Christmas Day Mass
10:30 AM Christmas Day Mass
12/26 Monday
Parish Office Closed
No School
8:30 AM Communion Service
12/27 Tuesday
8:30 AM Mass
6:30 PM CHRP Women in Rm. 13
7:30 PM Auction/Dinner Dance Committee Mtg in Rm. 11

12/28 Wednesday
Deadline for January 8th bulletin

## No RE Classes

8:30 AM Mass
12/29 Thursday
8:30 AM Mass
7:30 PM Choir Practice in Church
12/30 Friday
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
8:30 AM Mass
12/31 Saturday
New Year's Eve
3:30 PM Reconciliation
4:30 PM Mass
1/1 Sunday
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
8:30 AM Mass
10:30 AM Mass


## Parish News

# 3rd Annual Mary Queen of Heaven <br>  

## Saturday, January 7th 7 p.m. in Barrett Hall

Sign up after Mass 12/31-1/1, Call 630-834-3233 or email dayna.pierzchala@gmail.com

Awards for:<br>Trivia Game Winners,<br>Best Team Name<br>\& Best Table<br>Decorations<br>Proceeds Will benefit St. Vincent DePaul Charities<br>Enjoy pizza, salad and a parish dessert cook-off BYO Drinks

## CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

(CHRP) RETREAT
JANUARY 21-22, 2017
Do you find yourself too BUSY for God and your faith community? Come experience a Women's Spiritual Renewal Weekend Jan 21-22, 2017. With all the 'busyness' and planning that comes with the holidays, give yourself a much needed break - spiritually, physically, and mentally. Set 30 hours aside for yourself for bonding with other parishioners, music, laughter, prayer, and a change of pace. Get reconnected with God. Get reconnected with yourself!

Please join us for a Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) Spiritual Renewal Weekend - Women's Weekend (Jan 21-22, 2017).
For information contact:
Karen Sutkus at 630-279-3240 or ksutkus1@comcast.net or Renee Rodriguez (Lay Director) at 630-247-7623 or reneemrja@aol.com.

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## Parish Events

## THE MARRIAGE MINISTRY PRESENTS

Mysterious Musical Mayhem!


They're creepy and their spooky, mysteriously kooky, they're all together ooky.. No not the Marriage Ministry, the McAddams Family! Come join us for an evening of musical mayhem and campy comedy. Find out what happened to Morticia, Gomez, Pugsly and Wednesday and what macabre mysteries are afoot. Elmhurst's own Green Man Troupe will provide the entertainment and Angelo's Banquets will provide the family style dinner (Cash Bar). Tickets on sale now for Saturday, March $4^{\text {th }}$ at 7 pm . Tickets are $\$ 50.00$ per person. Please see us in the back of the church after Mass, every weekend in December, except Christmas eve and day. Sales deadline is January 9th.

For more information please call:
Don and Ellen Walker at 630-279-4021.
Hope to see you there!

## Faith Formation News

## MQH Preschool News

## MQH PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

Open house dates are as follows:
Saturday, January 14
3:30pm-6:30pm
Sunday, January 15
9:30am - 12:30pm

Become a part of our growing school. Schedule a visit, meet the teachers, and see the classrooms. Registration for current and past families begins January 1 st. Open registration for new families begins January 16th. Registration papers can be found on our website, they can be picked up in the office, and will be available at the open houses.

## PRESCHOOL AND RE COUPON CARDS

Available Now! Just in time for Christmas shopping! Coupon cards with 19 local vendors and an app for one year subscription for nationwide
 savings is now on sale. You can purchase a card for $\$ 20$ at the Parish Office, Preschool Office or Religious Education Office.

## MQH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year to all who are celebrating this joyful feast together at MQH! I hope the watching, waiting, wondering and welcoming during Advent opened our eyes to the miracle of Christmas! Seeing Jesus in the poor, making friends in line as we waited, being awed at the wonder of God's immense love for each of us, and welcoming Jesus into our hearts anew is the hope of Advent leading us to deeper faith, hope, and love.
Religious Education classes are on break, but they will resume on Wednesday, January 11. Enjoy the time with family and friends.


The $3^{\text {rd }}$ grade class with the catechist, Peter D'Souza and Jodi Faley, lead the other classes in singing Christmas carols and praying at the manger. In the pictures, the "little angels" are celebrating learning their prayers. All are encouraged to learn their prayers by heart.


## Senior Christmas Dinner



WEEKLY OFFERINGS REPORT
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18,2016

| Sunday | $\$ 4,795$ | 135 parishioners envelopes |
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| Parish Pay | $\$ 2,857$ | 102 Parishioners |
| Total | $\$ 7,652$ | 237 parishioners |

## Weekend Ministry Schedule

Saturday, December 31, 2016 \& Sunday January 1, 2017

|  | 4:30 PM | 8:30 AM | 10:30 AM |
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| Lector | S. Griffin | F. Tremmel | R. Villamil |
| Eucharistic | M. White (Capt.) | M. Grozik (Capt.) | P. Twardowski (Capt.) |
| Ministers | B. Lawlor | M. Hall | D. Justus |
|  | T. Sabel | M. Pena | K. Mueller |
|  | H. Todd | M. Pena | D. Styka |
|  | J. Vilim |  | R. Styka |
| Altar Servers | J. Fahey | E. Pas | R. Klein |
|  | A. Flores | P. Vosicky | S. Carambot |

## MASS 27 <br> INTENTIONS

## Sunday, December 25, 2016

8:30 a.m. $\dagger$ John \& Mary Taychman 10:30 a.m. $\dagger$ Dr. Thomas Pozen

Monday, December 26, 2016 8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday, December 27, 2016
8:30 a.m. $\dagger$ John Taychman
Wednesday, December 28, 2016 8:30 a.m. Parishioners of Mary Queen
Thursday, December 29, 2016
8:30 a.m. $\dagger$ Bob \& Pat O'Donnell
Friday, December 30, 2016 8:30 a.m. $\dagger$ Oscar Miller

Saturday, December 31, 2016 4:30 p.m. $\dagger$ Donna \& Nancy Otto

## Sunday, January 1, 2017

8:30 a.m. $\quad \dagger$ Jim Friese
10:30 a.m. $\dagger$ Dolores Shaheen
$\dagger$ indicates person is deceased

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS

Bill Kohut Luke Lancaster Kendall Monaghan

Geri Pstrzoch John Rossi Joan Skimina

## Readings for the Week of <br> December 25, 2016

## Sunday: Nativity of the Lord

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-3, 11-13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7 Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1-6/Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Monday: St. Stephen, the First Martyr
Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6-8b, $16 \mathrm{bc}, 17$ Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist $1 \mathrm{Jn} \mathrm{1:1-4/Ps} \mathrm{97:1-2}, \mathrm{5-6}, \mathrm{11-12/Jn} \mathrm{20:1a}, \mathrm{2-8}$

## Wednesday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

1 Jn 1:5--2:2/Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18
Thursday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
1 Jn 2:3-1 1/Ps 96:1-3, 5-6/Lk 2:22-35
Friday: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-5 Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday: St. Saint Sylvester I, Pope
1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-13/Jn 1:1-18
Next Sunday: Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

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LITURGICAL PUBLICATIONS


[^0]:    Please call the Parish Office to add a name to our
    Prayer List. Names will appear for one month. A new listing will appear in bold face.

