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The Epiphany of the Lord

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.

<u> Baptism</u>

 $1_{\rm st}$ and $3_{\rm st}$ Sundays of the month at 2:00 p.m. Required Baptismal preparation on the 2nd Tues. at 7:30 p.m. Call Deacon Alex to register.

Marriage

Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm Friday: 9:00am - 12:00 Noon

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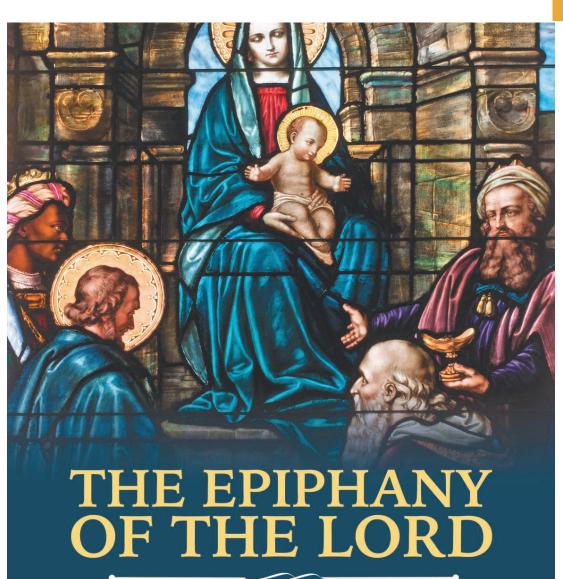
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They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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A MESSAGE FROM FR. JASON



This weekend we continue our celebration of the Christmas season with the arrival of the magi. If you didn't notice, they have been traveling along the north widows of the church since Christmas Day. Be sure to stop at the manger scene by the cry room to take in the scene now that all the characters are present.

Although the lyrics of the hymn most often associated with today lead us to believe that there were three kings, the Gospel simply says that magi traveled from the east and adored the baby and offered him their gifts. Kings or not, they were the first to respond to the message of Epiphany. They knew to look for the star, because it would lead them to a newborn king of the Jews.

As Christians, our faith journey shares much in common with the magi. We become aware of the light of Christ shining in our hearts. We leave (at least spiritually) the comforts of the world we knew to follow Jesus' call. We go to Mass since we believe that it is there where we are closest to Jesus. While there we adore Him and pay Him homage. We may not offer gold, frankincense, or myrrh, but we do offer Jesus our time, talent, and treasure.

Regardless of who the magi were, they show us the way to Jesus. As we begin this new year, let us open our hearts to the light of the star and courageously follow God's call wherever it takes us, give him homage, and offer ourselves to God.

As Christ blessed the manger on Christmas, so we believe that he blesses our hearts and homes wherever we dwell. If you are blessed to live surrounded by family, then your home is considered a domestic church. I pray that your home may be blessed with the peace and love that comes from the presence of Jesus made manifest through lives lived in faith.

It is appropriate, especially near the celebration of the Epiphany to pray that God would bless your home. It is a good practice to start the new year. Although myself or one of the deacons would be happy to bless your home, anyone may ask God's blessing upon a home. One may simply pray the prayer below. If desired, Holy Water may be sprinkled throughout the home. One may also use chalk to write the Ephiphany blessing over the doorway of the home: 20 + C + M + B + 17. The numerals consecrate the new year. The initials remind us of the legendary names of the magi—Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar—and also stand for the Latin motto *Christus mansionem benedicat* ("May Christ bless the house").

Lord God of heaven and earth,
You revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation
by the guidance of a star.
Bless this house and all who inhabit it.
Fill them with the light of Christ,
That their concern for others may reflect your love.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fr. Jason

Weekly Events

1/8 Sunday

The Epiphany of the Lord

8:30 AM Mass

9:30 AM RCIA in Rm. 13

9:30 AM RCIA for Children in Rm. 1

10:30 AM Mass

10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word

in Rm. 4-5

1/9 Monday

8:30 AM Mass

6:30 PM Preschool Board Mtg. in Social Hall

1/10 Tuesday

8:30 AM Mass

9:00 AM Coffee and... in Barrett Hall9:00 AM Adult Bible Study in Rm. 13

6:30 PM CHRP Women in Rm. 13

7:30 PM Baptism Preparation Mtg. in Church

1/11 Wednesday

8:30 AM Communion Service

RE Classes

1/12 Thursday

8:30 AM Mass

9:00 AM Yoga in Rm. 1

7:30 PM Choir Practice in Church

1/13 Friday

Deadline Bulletin January 22, 2017

8:30 AM Mass

1/14 Saturday

3:30 PM Reconciliation

3:30 PM MQH School Open House in School

4:30 PM Mass

6:00 PM Indian Community

in Church/Barrett Hall

1/15 Sunday

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Mass

9:30 AM RCIA in Rm. 13

9:30 AM RCIA for Children in Rm. 1

9:30 AM MQH School Open House in School

10:30 AM Mass

10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word

in Rm. 4-5

11:30 AM Fellowship in Barrett Hall

12:00 PM Baptisms in Church

Parish News

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH (CHRP)

Come experience a Women's Spiritual Renewal Weekend Jan 21-22, 2017

God gave his life for us. Can you give him 30 hours of your time? Make God a priority and you will be blessed beyond belief. You can't out give God. All of a sudden you'll find time to complete your "to do" list. Put you cares and your worries aside for a day and a half.

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 <u>reneemrja@aol.com</u>.

"YOU'RE SPECIAL" AUCTION/DINNER DANCE FEBRUARY 10

Mary Queen of Heaven's Auction Dinner Dance is just a month away! Gather your friends, relatives and special people in your life and invite them to join you on Friday, February 10th, 2017 for a delightful evening featuring music, dancing, Silent Auction Items, a Live



Auction and Raffles. As in previous years, all proceeds from this event will go towards helping families in need both in our parish and the surrounding areas.

The evening will take place at Alta Villa Banquets in Addison, Illinois on Friday February 10, 2017. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. Everyone attending will enjoy a delicious dinner including soup, salad, rolls and butter, a main entree, potatoes, vegetables and dessert. Table Wine, coffee & tea are also included. A Cash Bar is available and, of course, music for listening or dancing. This has been a fun evening for the last 15 years and the committee has been working many hours to make the evening special for all who attend. Reservations can be made or tickets purchased beginning the weekend of January 14-15 after all the masses so get a group together and fill a table. The Ticket Donation is \$60 per person.

For further information,: please contact **Sheila Reiter** at **630-833-6657** or **Mary White** at **630-833-9809**.

Parish News

THANK YOU! FROM WATERLEAF

\$2,646.62 was collected in support of Waterleaf in our



Baby Bottles for Life Program. This contribution helps promote a Culture of Life by helping women and men to understand the best choices for themselves and their babies.



IN MEMORIAM



FR. BENET FONCK, OFM

Fr. Benet Fonck, OFM, passed away December 23, 2016 surrounded by loving family members and friends. Fr. Benet had devoted his life to helping others and was especially well known and loved by the Mary Queen of Heaven community. Fr. Benet lived in the parish growing up and attended

MQH school. Many of us remember his selfless service to our community particularly during our times of transition.

Visitation was held on Monday, December 26, 2016 at St. John the Baptist Church in Joliet, Illinois. The Mass of Christian burial followed with private internment at St. John Cemetery.

Please keep his family and his community in your prayers.

DEADLINE FOR THE JANUARY 22ND BULLETIN IS

FRIDAY JANUARY 13TH AT NOON

Thank you for your cooperation.

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 4th at 7pm. Tickets are \$50.00 per person.

Sales deadline is January 9th.

For more information please call:

Don and Ellen Walker at 630-279-4021.

Hope to see you there!

Stewardship

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

WEEKLY OFFERINGS REPORT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2016

Sunday \$4,387 97 parishioners envelopes

Parish Pay \$2,857 102 parishioners

Total \$7,244 199 parishioners

WEEKLY OFFERINGS REPORT SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2017

Sunday \$5,039 118 parishioners envelopes

Parish Pay \$2,857 102 parishioners

Total \$7,896 220 parishioners



COMMUNITY NEWS

Please join Bishop Conlon to celebrate his 40th Priesthood Anniversary



Jubilee Mass

Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus 604 N. Raynor Avenue in Joliet

Sunday—January 15, 2017

Reception to follow in the Commons

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017 6:30PM – ICCP MAIN CAMPUS SCHOOL BLDG

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JANUARY 28TH





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL 537 South York Street

Doors & Cash bar OPEN at 5:30 PM
Dinner Buffet served 6:30 - 7:15 PM



Show time 7:30 PM TICKETS \$45.00

Sister B feels bad that not everyone will be able to attend her *Bingo Bonanza Show* at The Hall at the Knights of Columbus on January 28 due to limited seating.

In an effort to make sure everyone in all our parishes are happy, Sister B is having a raffle to support each of the 3 parishes of our Council!

A winner FROM EACH PARISH will receive \$100 of lottery tickets!

Raffle tickets are 2 for \$5; 5 for \$10 or 15 for \$20!

Tickets will be available from Knights of all three parishes and sold after Masses as shown below:

AT IC: Sat-Sun January 7-8, 2017.
AT VIS: After all Masses in January 2017
AT MQH: TBD

Winners to be announced at Sister B's Bingo Bonanza January 28, 2017. (need not to be present to win)

For more information, call Navarro Catering and Events (630) 638-0110

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Religious Education classes will resume on Wednesday, January 11.

A Catechist sub is needed on Wednesdays at the 3:15-4:30pm time for our 4th grade. If you like being around kids and have a desire to share your faith with them, please call Jo at the REO (630) 832-8962. Being a catechist is not so much about "teaching" as it is about being a partner in faith sharing. You will receive support in



lesson planning and managing the kids. Being a catechist is more about breaking open the Word of God with the kids and learning more together about Jesus.

Please pray about this opportunity to join the catechetical team working with the MQH RE kids.

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 1st. 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!

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.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

CHRISTMAS CAROLING December 22

Fifteens teens from the combined youth group of Immaculate Conception, Charles Borromeo, Mary Queen of Heaven and Visitation Churches went out to sing Christmas carols to the residents at Park Place of Elmhurst Retirement Home.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Steubenville Youth Conference July 21-23rd, 2017

This is the biggest thing we will do <u>all year</u>. 35 of our high school students (current 8-12 graders are eligible) will take a roadtrip



out to Ohio by coach bus where Steubenville Youth Conference will be held at Franciscan University. This conference has changed thousands of teens lives since it's inception 40 years ago and I have seen this happen in the students I have served in the past. I could not encourage our students enough to sign up--more info after the New Year! We are making a big investment to take such a large group so please spread the word.

For more information see the conference website. www.steubenvilleconferences.com/youth

Ministry Schedule Saturday, January 14 / Sunday, January 15, 2017

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Lector	B. Dunn	M. Grozik	S. Napolilli
Eucharistic Ministers	M. White (Capt.) G. Los T. Sabel M. Stepniewski H. Todd	K. Vicary (Capt.) P. D'Souza J. Eichorst R. Styka	M. Reed (Capt.) C. Cote K. Carambot D. Reed J. Spears
Altar Servers	J. Anderson E. Pas		E. Frank J. Frank



Sunday, January 8, 2017

8:30 a.m. † John & Mary Taychman

10:30 a.m. † Mary Watry

Monday, January 9, 2017

8:30 a.m. † All the Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

8:30 a.m. † Fr. Benet Fonck, OFM

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, January 12, 2017

8:30 a.m. † John & Elizabeth Kuhn

Friday, January 13, 2017

8:30 a.m. † Fr. Thomson Panakal

Saturday, January 14, 2017

4:30 p.m. † Tony Carlevato

Sunday, January 15, 2017

8:30 a.m. Parishioners of Mary Queen 10:30 a.m. † Matilde & Salvatore Fasano

† indicates person is deceased

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS

Bill Kohut Luke Lancaster Kendall Monaghan John Rossi Joan Skimina

Readings for the Week of January 8, 2017

Sunday The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

Monday

The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10 Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday

Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab, 5-9/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12/ Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

Wednesday

Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday

Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday

St. Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday

Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8-10, 15/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Please call the Parish Office to add a name to our Parish Prayer List. A new listing will appear in bold face.



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