

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN

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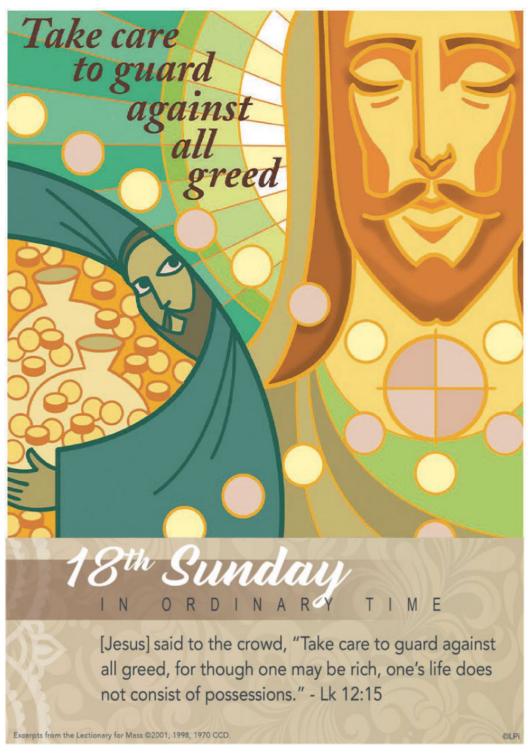
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Pastor Rev. Sławomir "Sławek" Ignasik

AUGUST 3, 2025
EIGHTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

Inspired by the Holy Spirit and nurtured by our sacramental life, Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Church provides a welcoming and inclusive parish home.

We bear witness to the Gospel of Christ through prayer and worship, catechesis and spiritual growth, outreach and social action.



LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 4:30 pm Sunday - 8:30 am, 10:00am and 11:30 am (Polish)

Weekday Masses

Monday Communion Service 8:30 am Tuesday to Saturday Masses 8:30 am

Rosary

Monday to Saturday 8:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration

1st Friday of each month from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm with Benediction at 7:00 pm.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Saturday 9:00 am

Baptism

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 1:00 pm.
Required Baptismal preparation on the 2nd
Thursday at 7:00 pm.
Call Parish Office to register.

Marriage

Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday

9:00 am to 2:00 pm *Friday*

Closed



CLERGY

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BULLETIN DEADLINES

August 10th
Friday, August 1ST
August 17th

Friday, August 8TH mqhbulletin@maryqueen.org

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER SŁAWEK

Praise be Jesus Christ... Now and Forever!

In recent weeks, we have encountered two troubling incidents involving the Eucharist—one time the consecrated Host was found on the floor beneath a pew, and on another occasion, it was left on the pew itself. These situations are deeply concerning, as they involve the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, which deserves our utmost reverence and care. The Eucharist is not merely a symbol, but the Body of Christ, and every Host must be treated with the greatest respect and devotion.



I have already spoken with our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to be especially vigilant when distributing Holy Communion. This is particularly important during funerals and weddings, where some individuals may come forward out of respect or confusion, even if they are not Catholic or properly disposed to receive. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion have been asked to watch carefully to ensure that each communicant consumes the Host immediately.

However, this is not only the responsibility of the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. I am also asking for your help as a parish community. If you notice someone returning to their pew without having consumed the Eucharist, I encourage you to kindly and respectfully approach them. You may either ask them to consume the Host reverently or offer to return it to the priest or deacon after Mass.

This is not about judgment but about love and reverence for the Lord. Sometimes, people are unfamiliar with our faith or unaware of the seriousness of the Eucharist. A gentle, charitable response can be a moment of evangelization and education. Let us protect the sacredness of the Blessed Sacrament together.

Let us also remember to pray for a deeper appreciation of the Eucharist in our parish. May the Lord renew our faith in His real presence among us and help us to receive Him with pure hearts and reverence each time we approach the altar.

God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Sławek

AUGUST VOCAL WORKSHOP SERIES

Are you interested in learning more about your voice?



Anyone is welcome to attend the <u>August Vocal Workshop</u> Series on Tuesday evenings at 7:00p.m. in the church balcony.

Each week will have a new focus, from learning about microphones to vocal tone and color.

Whether your goals are to sing better in the car, in church or even gain confidence speaking with a microphone, come meet Holly Herber, our new music director!

UPCOMING HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

The Solemnity of the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary is Friday, August 15th.

This solemnity commemorates Mary being assumed body and soul into heaven at the end of her earthly life. The date was formally confirmed in the 9th century by Pope Leo IV, who helped solidify its celebration throughout the universal Church. In the United States and many other countries, it is a holy day of obligation, meaning Catholics are required to participate in Mass.

Mass Times at Mary Queen of Heaven on the 15th will be: 8:30AM and 7:00PM



CALENDAR

8/2/25 SATURDAY

MQH Giving Weekend ~ DuPage PADS

8:30am Mass

9:00am Reconciliation

4:30pm Mass

5:30pm Fellowship in Barrett

Hall—celebrating Ed Nowak

8/3/25 SUNDAY

MQH Giving Weekend ~ DuPage PADS

8:30am Mass 10:00am Mass 11:30am Polish Mass 1:00pm Baptisms

8/4/25 MONDAY

8:30am Communion Service

7:00pm Prayer Group

8/5/25 TUESDAY

8:30am Mass

6:30pm CRHP Women

8/6/25 WEDNESDAY

~ Feast of The Transfiguration of

the Lord ~

8:30am Mass

8/7/25 THURSDAY

8:30am Mass

8/8/25 FRIDAY

8:30am Mass

8/9/25 SATURDAY

8:30am Mass

9:00am Reconciliation

4:30pm Mass

6:00 pm Indian Catholic Community

8/10/25 SUNDAY

8:30am Mass 10:00am Mass

11:30am Polish Mass



While He was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with Him, Moses and Elijah.

-Luke 9: 29-30



To view complete job descriptions of open positions within the Diocese of Joliet, please visit: https://www.diojoliet.org/ offices/careers

PARISH EVENTS

2025 MQH Parish Picnic

Saturday August 16th - 5:30 – 8:30 pm Food, Music, Raffles, Games, and More!



Food Ticket Prices:

Adults: \$15 in advance / \$20 at the door Children 5-12: \$10 / Under 5: Free

New vendor and room set-up to shorten food lines!



- √ Hamburgers
- ✓ Hot Dogs
- ✓ Grilled Chicken
- √ Veggie Burgers
- ✓ BBQ Beans
- ✓ Mostaccioli
- ✓ Potato Chips



- ✓ Chicken
- ✓ Steak
- ✓ Barbacoa
- ✓ All Bases and Toppings
- ✓ All Salsas

or at weekend mases during the weeks of August 2nd and 9th.

- ✓ Guac and Oueso
- ✓ Tortillas and Chips



- √ Ice Cream Bars
- ✓ Ice Cream sandwiches
- ✓ Popsicles
- ✓ Dream Bars
- ✓ Screwhalls
- ✓ Snickers / Twix
- Purchase food tickets in advance using the QR code until August 13th,



HAPPENING SOON! First Annual Mary Queen of Heaven



~ Saturday, August 23rd ~ 8am - 3pm ~ in Barrett Hall ~

Keep the donations coming! Still in need of; gently used ADULT clothing, shoes and coats. Also, kitchen and dining ware, books, puzzles, tools, games, linens, bikes, holiday décor, etc. Please bring donations to the Parish Office and if you have any questions, please contact Janet at the Parish Office. Volunteers are also needed! For sorting and set up on Friday, August 22nd from 3:00pm - 7:00pm and for day of sale support as Cashiers, Baggers and Sale/Event Monitors. To volunteer call the Parish Office with what days and amount of time you can help. Proceeds from the Rummage Sale will be donated equally to St. Vincent DePaul Society of Mary Queen, Fr. Sławek's Kenya fund and to Mary Queen of Heaven Church.

Spread the Word!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS - MARY GLAUDELL, DIRECTOR



The beginning of the school year and Faith Formation is just around the corner, please note the upcoming important dates:

Catechist/Volunteer Kick-off Meeting August 20th at 6:30pm OR August 23rd at 9:00am

Family Night: Wednesday, September 3rd at 6:30pm

Classes Start:

- Family Faith Confirmation Prep II (8th grade)- August 24th
- Family Faith K 6th grades September 7th
- Wednesday 1st 8th grades September 10th
- Family Faith Confirmation Prep I (7th grade) September 14th

Catechetical Sunday - September 20th / 21st

Plus, registration is still open, but sessions are filling up. If you have not registered yet, please register soon. Rates will increase on August 15th.

DIOCESE OF JOLIET BIBLICAL INSTITUTE PREVIEW NIGHTS



PREVIEW THE BIBLE SCHOOL IN OUR DIOCESE - The acclaimed **Biblical Institute in the Diocese of Joliet** is registering students for Years 1 and 2 this Fall: Attend in person classes at **St. Michael's Catholic Church** in Wheaton for Year 1 on Thursdays 7-9pm. Year 2 in person classes will be held at **Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church** in Oakbrook Terrace on Saturdays 9-11am. If you want to learn the Bible from a Catholic perspective come and see if this program is for you.

In Person Preview Events in August:

August 7 (Thursday) at John the Baptist (Winfield)
 August 9 (Saturday) at Christ the King (Lombard)
 August 21(Thursday) at St. Michael's (Wheaton)
 7-8:30 p.m.
 7-8:30 p.m.

August 23 (Saturday) at Ascension (Oakbrook Terrace) 9-10:30 a.m.

August 30 (Saturday) at St. Pius X (Lombard)

9-10:30 a.m. 9-10:30 a.m.

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- Email jgorski@mayslakeministries.org
- •Web site mayslakeministries.org

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL NEWS— GÉNET PINKERTON, DIRECTOR



- * Do you see preschool children as curious, capable, inquisitive, and full of life?
- * Are you interested in teaching these young minds?
- *Mary Queen Preschool is looking for a few new members for our teaching staff.



OPEN POSITIONS:

Classroom Teacher

- = PM 3's and 4's class; Mon. Fri. 11:30- 3:15 (student hours 11:45-2:45)
- = AM 2's Mon.-Thur. 7:45-11:45 (student hours 8:15-10:15)
- = AM 4's Mon.- Fri. 7:45-12:15 (student hours 8: 15-11:45)
- *Previous preschool teaching experience is recommended.
- *Registration with the Diocese of Joliet is required.
- *ECE certification is required.
- *Aug. 11th May 26th is the school year for staff.

For complete details and information: contact the MQH preschool director Genet Pinkerton at 630-833-9500 or mqhprschool@maryqueen.org

MQH PRESCHOOL KICKS OFF '25/'26 SERVICE PROJECT

The Katsis family brought in their donation for our pop tab and bag tag service projects. They are starting our 2025-26 service project for Ronald McDonald House and Danielle Cares for Chairs.



Jack is adding to the bag tag bin. We hope to fill it this year so we can donate it to SCARCE which will give them to the organization Danielle Cares for Chairs. It takes 260,000 bag tags to buy a wheelchair.

Thank you for all of your donations to these two incredible projects. We are helping people in our community and the environment. I have posted more information about these two organizations on the bulletin board in the church narthex.



Paige is starting off our pop tab collection. Last year we collected 42 pounds of aluminum pull tabs and donated them to the Ronald McDonald House Charities. The money they receive from recycling the tabs goes to the House near Loyola University Medical Center.





Curious about Pope Leo XIV?

Dr. Mary Amore and the Board of Directors of Mayslake Ministries cordially invite you to

A Joyful Evening of Conversation

with Fr. Tony Pizzo, O.S.A.,

Prior Provincial of the Augustinians and lifelong friend of Pope Leo.

When: Friday, September 26th at 7:00pm

Where: Ascension of our Lord Parish, Oakbrook Terrace, II.

Fr. Tony fondly recalls: "As the red velvet curtains at the Vatican parted, I realized that my college pal from the South Side of Chicago-that I know as "Bob" - had been elected the first American pope."

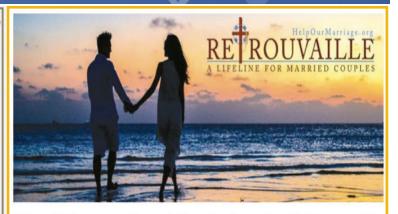
Join us for a special evening as Fr. Tony Pizzo, O.S.A., Prior Provincial of the Augustinians, offers reflections and personal stories about Pope Leo XIV, the newly elected, Chicago-born Pontiff.

The evening will include a Q&A session, providing attendees the opportunity to learn more and ask questions about the new Holy Father. Wine and cheese will be served.

Register online at www.mayslakeministries.org or by phone at 630-852-9000. Admission: \$30 per person.

All proceeds raised will support the work of Mayslake Ministries.





Retrouvaille is a program for married couples who are struggling to stay together. You will learn how to communicate calmly and respectfully, and then you'll learn tools for handling conflict and other stresses together – in a way that strengthens and uplifts your marriage! Since its inception, Retrouvaille has helped over 200,000 married couples rebuild their marriages, and we can help you too if you are willing to work hard. Our next weekend program is:

September 19th - 21st, 2025 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL

Call us today at 815-246-2080, email us at JolietRegistration@HelpOurMarriage.org, or visit us at www.HelpOurMarriage.org/Joliet for more information.



Readings Week

THE WEEK OF AUGUST 3RD, 2025

Sunday: Eccl 1:2,2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4,5-6,12-13, 14, 17(1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2,

10-14

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/ Mt 16:24-28 Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/ Mt 17:14-20

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WEEKLY OFFERINGS REPORT

Week of July 20, 2025

Sunday \$ 6,190.00 Mail in \$ 0.00 Electronic \$ 1,910.00

TOTAL \$ 8,100.00

Thank you for Your Generosity!



CMAA Pledge Report for Mary Queen of Heaven

157 - Mary Queen of Heaven Parish - Elmhurst Results through 7/27/2025

| | 2025 | 2024 | Inc/Dec | 2024 (Final) |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|-----------|--------------|
| Parish Goal | \$45,800 | \$41,600 | \$4,200 | \$41,600 |
| Amount Pledged | \$70,854 | \$79,445 | (\$8,591) | \$86,211 |
| Amount Paid | \$61,555 | \$66,703 | \$5,148 | \$83,971 |
| Balance Due | \$9,299 | \$12,742 | (\$3,443) | \$2,240 |
| Donors | 188 | 202 | -14 | 218 |
| Rebate | \$11,029 | 2 6 | | |

Monthly pledge payments for CMAA *Open your heart to God's goodness* pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over our goal will be returned to our parish for our needs.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

August 4
Seminarian Matthew Bernhard
Seminarian Jack Meinhart

August 5Fr. James Murphy
Fr. Patrick R. Murphy

August 6Fr. Robert Carroll O. Carm
Fr. John Comerford O. Carm

August 7 Dcn. Sean McGreal, Dcn. James Means, Dcn. Genaro Mempin and Dcn. Dale Metcalfe

Sr. Glenna Marie Czachor OSF Sr. Jackie Drazen OSF

> August 9 Fr. Matthew Nathan Fr. Francis Neissery

August 10
Dcn. Robert Miciunas, Dcn. Kenneth
Miles, Dcn. Eduardo Murillo and
Dcn. Terrence Neary

VILLA PARK KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 8365 BLOOD DRIVE





Tuesday, August 12, 2025 12:00pm - 5:00pm

St. Alexander Catholic Church Father Tuan Room

300 S. Cornell
Villa Park, IL
60181





OUR MQH GIVING WEEKEND IS THIS WEEKEND!

Benefiting DuPage PADS, Public Action to Deliver Shelter

We are asking for personal hygiene & non-perishable food donations this **Saturday**, **August 2nd & Sunday**, **August 3rd**.

PADS has indicated their supply of the following 4 items is short and are most needed;

Body Wash
Men's and Women's Deodorant
Applesauce- Individual Cups
Ramen Noodle Cups

All donations are appreciated. Please provide new unopened products. PADS and Mary Queen of Heaven do not have the means to evaluate the safety of open products.

Please leave your donations in the Church Narthex.

THANK YOU for your past donations to Evergreen Shared Housing for Women, Catholic Charities St. Joseph's Place and PADS.

We serve God by serving others.



Elmhurst's Ultimate Backyard BBQ is Back!

'Cue for a Cause | August 31, 2025 • 12-7 PM York & Vallette Streets, Elmhurst, IL

Get ready for a smokin' good time at 'Cue for a Cause—Elmhurst's most mouthwatering fundraiser of the year! Grill masters from all around fire up their best barbecue in a friendly competition to claim the crown, while you enjoy the flavor-packed action. Bring the whole family for a day full of live music, raffles, great eats, cold drinks, and fun entertainment for all ages. Come hungry, leave happy—and know you are supporting a great local cause!



Saturday, August 2, 2025

8:30am † Floria DiVito 4:30pm † Val Poulin

Sunday, August 3, 2025

8:30am † Giovanni Ressa † Donna Wiora

> † Virginia Hayes † Leah Reed

Parishioners of Mary Queen

10:00am † Mark Connelly 11:30am † Tadeusz Podgórny

† Tadeusz Furman

God's Blessing for Dorota

Monday, August 4, 2025

8:30am Communion Service

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

8:30am Loreen Colins

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

8:30am † Kathleen Reiter

Thursday, August 7, 2025

8:30am † Fr. Don McLaughlin

Friday, August 8, 2025

8:30am † Paul Schroedl

Saturday, August 9, 2025

8:30am † Nelly M. Bonugli

4:30pm † David Alen Buendicho

Sunday, August 10, 2025

8:30am Parishioners of Mary Queen

10:00am † MaryAnn Stenger

11:30am † Wojciech Gron

Piotr Health and Quick Recovery

† indicates person is deceased

Please remember deceased family, friends and parishioners in your daily prayers. May God grant them eternal rest and may His light shine on them forever.





If you are new to our church or just visiting today, **WELCOME!** We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist with us. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become part of our parish family. We are so glad you're here and hope you'll come back again! Call our office or visit our website for information on how to register.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE Saturday, August 9th - Sunday, August 10th

LECTORS

Saturday: August 9th | 4:30pm | K. Passarelli Sunday: August 10th | 8:30am | W. Woollard |10:00am | S. Kowalski

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday: August 9th | 4:30pm |

B. Lawlor (Capt.) | B. Dunn I E. Ruizol

Sunday: August 10th | **8:30am** | Deacon Alex

J. Weigel (Capt.) | J. DeZur

Sunday: August 10th | 10:00am | Deacon Tim

K. Carambot (Capt.) | D. Justus |

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND FELLOW PARISHIONERS

Lynn Suwanski Hunter Zielinski Larry Calia

Emily Stolz Connie Edwards Judith Spinelli

John Kontek

Do you or someone you know need prayer?

Please call the Parish Office to add a name to our Parish Prayer Lists.

Names will appear for one month, 3 months for chronic illness.

Asking for prayer for someone you love is a powerful act of faith, love and community.

Also pray for the protection of our military as they serve our country.

<u>U.S. Marine Corps</u> SSGT Ethan Zielinski, Camp Pendleton, CA <u>U.S. Navy</u> Kevin Caskey, Japan

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Grant us all peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.



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Did you know that August is National "Make-A-Will Month?

As Catholics, we believe caring for the people and causes we love - today and in the future. There's no better time to create or update your will.

The Diocese of Joliet is offering a free resource through FreeWill, a simple online tool that can help you plan ahead in about 20 minutes.

Your will reflects your values - caring for your loved ones, stewarding your blessings and strengthening the Church for generations to come .

Create your Catholic legacy today and make a difference in the lives of those you love and the faith you cherish.

To learn more and get started, visit FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet

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