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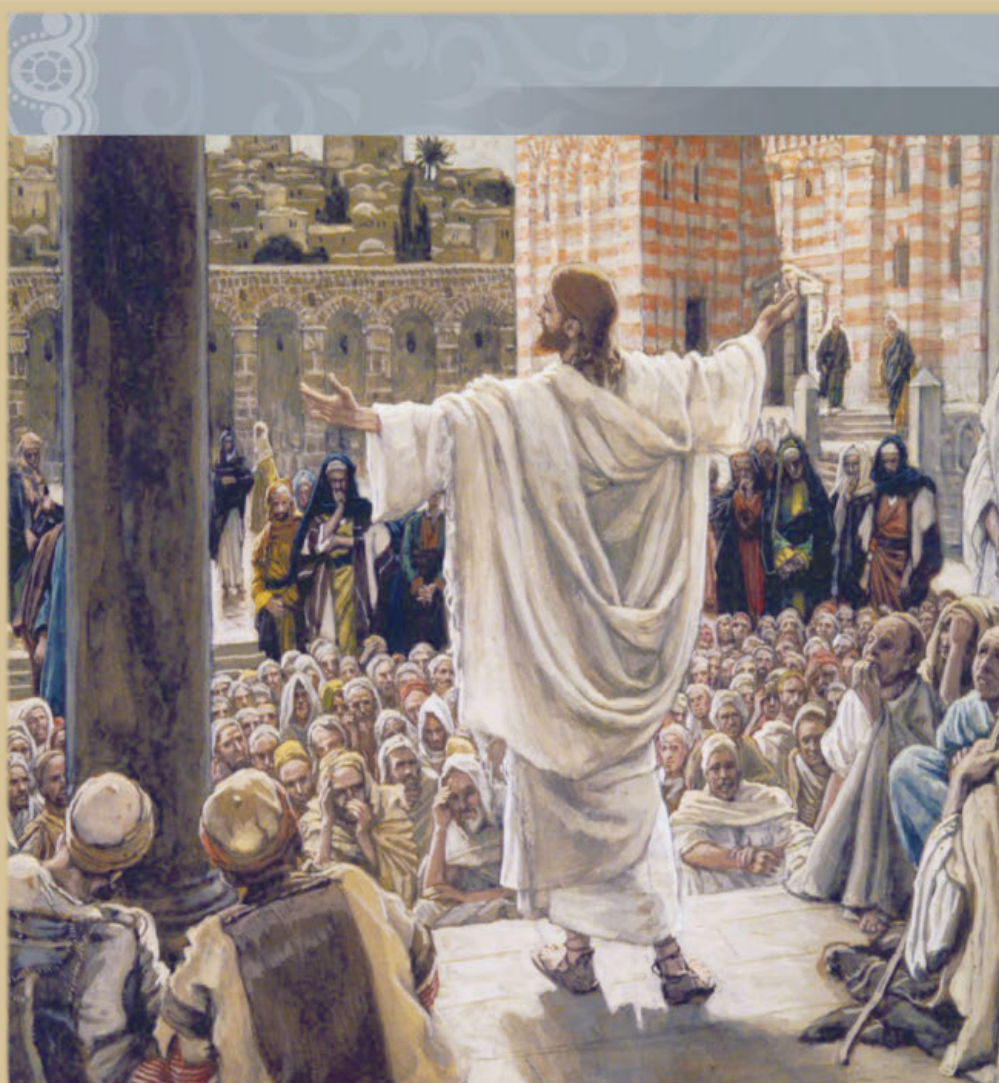
Pastor Rev. Sławomir "Sławek" Ignasik

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.

AUGUST 17, 2025

**TWENTIETH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**



20th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" - Lk 12:49

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



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BULLETIN DEADLINES

August 24th

Friday, August 15th

August 31st

Friday, August 22nd

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER SŁAWEK

Praise be Jesus Christ... Now and Forever!

The Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary – August 22nd

On Friday, August 22nd, the Church throughout the world will celebrate the *Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. This beautiful feast invites us to reflect on Mary's special place in God's plan of salvation. Crowned in heaven as Queen of Angels and Saints, Mary reigns as a loving mother who intercedes for each of her children with tenderness and care.

For us at Mary Queen of Heaven Parish, this day holds a special meaning. Mary is not only honored universally as Queen, but she is also our parish's patroness. As members of her parish family, we joyfully claim the title "children of the Queen of Heaven." Like subjects of a loving and gentle queen, we look to her for guidance, protection, and inspiration in our journey of faith.

We could say that we are "prisoners" of Mary's love—not in chains, but held fast by her motherly embrace and her unceasing desire to lead us closer to her Son, Jesus Christ. Her "rule" over us is not one of power, but of service and love, showing us the path to holiness by her own example of humility, faith, and obedience.

On this feast, we remember that Mary's queenship flows from her unique role in God's saving work. As the Mother of the King of Kings, she shares in her Son's glory. Yet her crown is woven of love, sacrifice, and unwavering trust in God's will. This day is a reminder that the crown of heaven is not reserved only for Mary—it is also the destiny God desires for each of us if we remain faithful to Him.

I would like to invite all parishioners and friends to join us for Holy Mass at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, August 22nd, as we honor our Queen and Mother in a special way. Together, we will lift our prayers of thanksgiving for her intercession and ask for the grace to imitate her virtues more closely in our daily lives.

Let us come together as a family of faith to celebrate this feast, to honor Mary as our Queen, and to renew our commitment to live as her devoted sons and daughters. May her intercession always protect our parish, guide our steps, and draw us ever deeper into the love of Christ, her Son and our Lord.

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 August Vocal Workshop 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 micro phone, come meet Holly Herber, our new music director!



CALENDAR

8/16/25 SATURDAY

8:30am Mass
 9:00am Reconciliation
 4:30pm Mass
 5:30pm Parish Picnic

**8/17/25 SUNDAY**

8:30am Mass
 10:00am Mass
 11:30am Polish Mass

8/18/25 MONDAY

8:30am Communion Service

8/19/25 TUESDAY

8:30am Mass
 6:30pm CRHP Women
 7:00pm Vocal Workshop - Choir Loft

8/20/25 WEDNESDAY

8:30am Mass
 6:30pm RE Catechist Kick-Off

8/21/25 THURSDAY

8:30am Mass
 7:00pm Finance Council

8/22/25 FRIDAY

~ *The Memorial of the
 Queenship of the Blessed
 Virgin Mary* ~
 8:30am Mass

**8/23/25 SATURDAY**

8:00am MQH Rummage Sale
 8:30am Mass
 9:00am Reconciliation
 9:00am RE Catechist Kick-Off
 4:30pm Mass
 5:00pm Focolare

8/24/25 SUNDAY

8:30am Mass
 8:30am RE Family Faith Formation
 10:00am Mass
 11:30am Polish Mass

*Let us
 & run with
 PERSEVERANCE
 THE RACE MARKED
 out for us.*
 HEBREWS 12:1



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 of open positions within the
 Diocese of Joliet, please visit:
[https://www.diojoliet.org/
 offices/careers](https://www.diojoliet.org/offices/careers)

PARISH EVENTS

Announcing the **FIRST** Annual Mary Queen of Heaven



~ Saturday August 23, 2025 ~ 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. ~

at Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Church

426 West Avenue, Elmhurst, IL 60126

Adult clothing, shoes, coats, kitchen and dining ware, books, puzzles,
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 Queen, Fr. Stawek's Kenya fund and Mary Queen of Heaven Parish.

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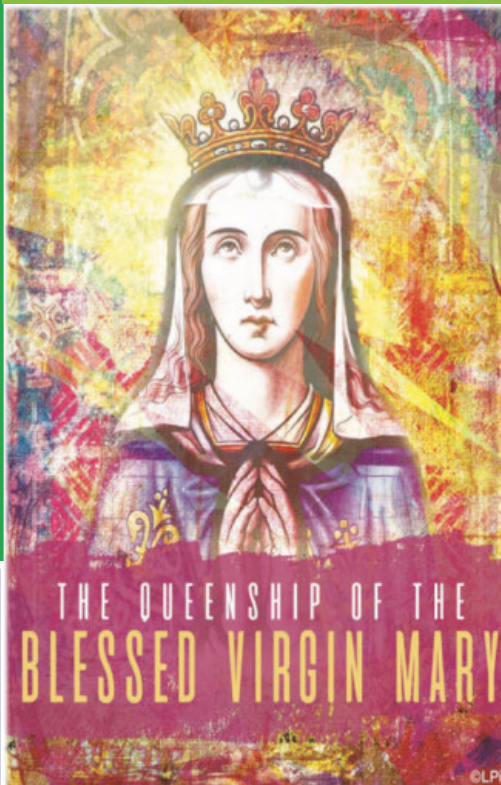
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BRING A FRIEND & SPREAD THE WORD!

Thank you to all whom have donated items for the sale to date!!

Donations will be accepted until 12:00pm on Thursday, August 21st

All donations can be dropped by the Parish Office.



O Mary, Queen of Heaven
 and Earth, we greet you with
 profound reverence.

You are the Mother of God,
 the Mother of the Church
 and our Mother.

We thank you for your love,
 your guidance and your
 constant intercession.

We ask you, Queen of
 Heaven, to look upon us
 with compassion and grace.
 Guide us on our journey of
 faith and help us to
 imitate your virtues of
 humility, obedience and love.

O Mary, Queen of
 Heaven and Earth,
PRAY FOR US!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS - MARY GLAUDELL, DIRECTOR

*"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!
There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my
anguish until it is accomplished"*
Luke 12:49



We are all called by our baptism to spread the Good News like wildfire. Ignite the flame of faith in our young people. We need 3rd and 6th grade catechists for our once-a-month Family Faith.

Sunday Catechists receive a 50% tuition discount.

Contact Mary Glaudell in the Faith Formation Office for more information. 630-832-8962 or re@maryqueen.org

**Coming
Soon**

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

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 21 (Thurs.) at St. Michael's (Wheaton) 7-8:30pm

August 23 (Sat.) at Ascension (Oakbrook Terrace) 9-10:30am

August 30 (Sat.) at St. Pius X (Lombard) 9-10:30am

Meet an instructor, talk to current students, see the books, get a feel for a typical class!



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MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL NEWS— GÉNET PINKERTON, DIRECTOR

Playground upgrade-Summer Volunteers are amazing! The mountain of woodchips is spread to make a cushion for the children. The garden is weeded so the flowers can show their beauty. The swing set looks new and fresh. And the outdoor classroom looks inviting and fun.

Thank you to all the hands that helped. Anuar Arciniega, Diane Gornick, Rick Perzchals, Heather Raffé and her kids Eleanor and Iris, Herb Schultz and Kathy Tortora



Readings of the Week

THE WEEK OF AUGUST 17TH, 2025

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday:

Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/ Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: St. Pius X, Pope

Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/ Mt 22:1-14

Friday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/ Mt 23:1-12

DONATIONS

Data for The Mary Queen of Heaven Weekly Offerings Report for the Week of August 3rd, 2025 and The CMAA Pledge Report with Results through 8/10/2025 was not available for inclusion in this week's bulletin and will be published at a later date.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

August 18

Fr. Tuan V. Nguyen
Fr. James Guarascio

August 19

Sr. Mary Ellen McAleese OSF
Sr. Patricia Villarreal OSF

August 20

Sr. Shirley Krull OSF
Sr. M. Pauline Langfield OSF
Sr. Theresa Langfield OSF

August 21

Sr. Patricia Norton OSF
Sr. Clare Nydereck OSF
Sr. Melanie Paradis OSF
Sr. Jane Petzel OSF

August 22

Aspirant Pravin Lewis
Aspirant Guy Maras
Aspirant Doug Pearson

August 23

Fr. Jesus Oliveros
Fr. James Olofson

August 24

Fr. William Harry O. Carm
Fr. Robert Colaresi O. Carm



Fr. Dennis Punthambuyo would like to THANK all the parishioners of Mary Queen of Heaven who contributed to his recent Rosary collection for the villagers of Africa in Zambia.

He returned home to Africa on 8/3/2025, with **907** rosaries from various Catholic parishes.

In addition to rosaries, various other items of rosary cases, medals, crossed, statutes, religious necklaces, bracelets, chaplets and scapulars were among the items donated.

Here is a personal message from Fr. Dennis;

"When I give out a rosary, I ask the recipient to pray one full rosary for the donors. Be assured of that prayer."

May God Bless you for your generous donations. I am very appreciative and so are all the villagers."

- Fr. Dennis



Join us for the
Diocese of Joliet

JUBILEE MASS FOR GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY

Pilgrims of Hope

**Saturday, October 4, 2025
11:00 AM**

Cathedral of St. Raymond
604 N Raynor Ave, Joliet, IL

RSVP by scanning
the QR code or by
calling 815-221-6192



Questions? Call Jim Elias 815-221-6134

**Saturday, August 16, 2025**

8:30am † Jose Trejo
4:30pm † Anthony Beran

Sunday, August 17, 2025

8:30am † Hilario, Aurora and Lorenzo Calderon
† Virginia Hayes
Parishioners of Mary Queen
10:00am † Derna Marcheschi
11:30am † Anna, Maria Angeletti
† Tadeusz Gil

Monday, August 18, 2025

8:30am Communion Service

Tuesday, August 19, 2025

8:30am † Dr. Thomas Pozen

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

8:30am † Dennis Wolff

Thursday, August 21, 2025

8:30am † Ken Windisch

Friday, August 22, 2025

8:30am † Sharon Lofgren Palm

Saturday, August 23, 2025

8:30am † Patti Parrilli
4:30pm † Vincent Coppola

Sunday, August 24, 2025

8:30am Parishioners of Mary Queen
10:00am The Frank Family
11:30am † Kazimierz Surdel
† Eugenia Kosk
† Zmarla Zofia Liebicke

† 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 23rd - Sunday, August 24th

LECTORS

Saturday: August 23rd | **4:30pm** | B. Dunn
Sunday: August 24th | **8:30am** | K. Sutkus
| **10:00am** | P. Naples

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday: August 23rd | **4:30pm** | Deacon Tim
K. Vicary (Capt.) | T. Stockman

Sunday: August 24th | **8:30am** | Deacon Tim
A. Weigel (Capt.) | W. Woollard

Sunday: August 24th | **10:00am** | Deacon Tim
D. Reed (Capt.) | C. Gillie |
D. Justus | D. Styka

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND FELLOW PARISHIONERS

Lynn Suwanski Hunter Zielinski Larry Calia
Emily Stolz John Kontek Sandie Novak

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.S. Marine Corps SSGT Ethan Zielinski, Camp Pendleton, CA
U.S. Navy 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.

FREEWILL



Diocese of Joliet

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.

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