



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN

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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.

OCTOBER 19, 2025

**TWENTY-NINTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

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.

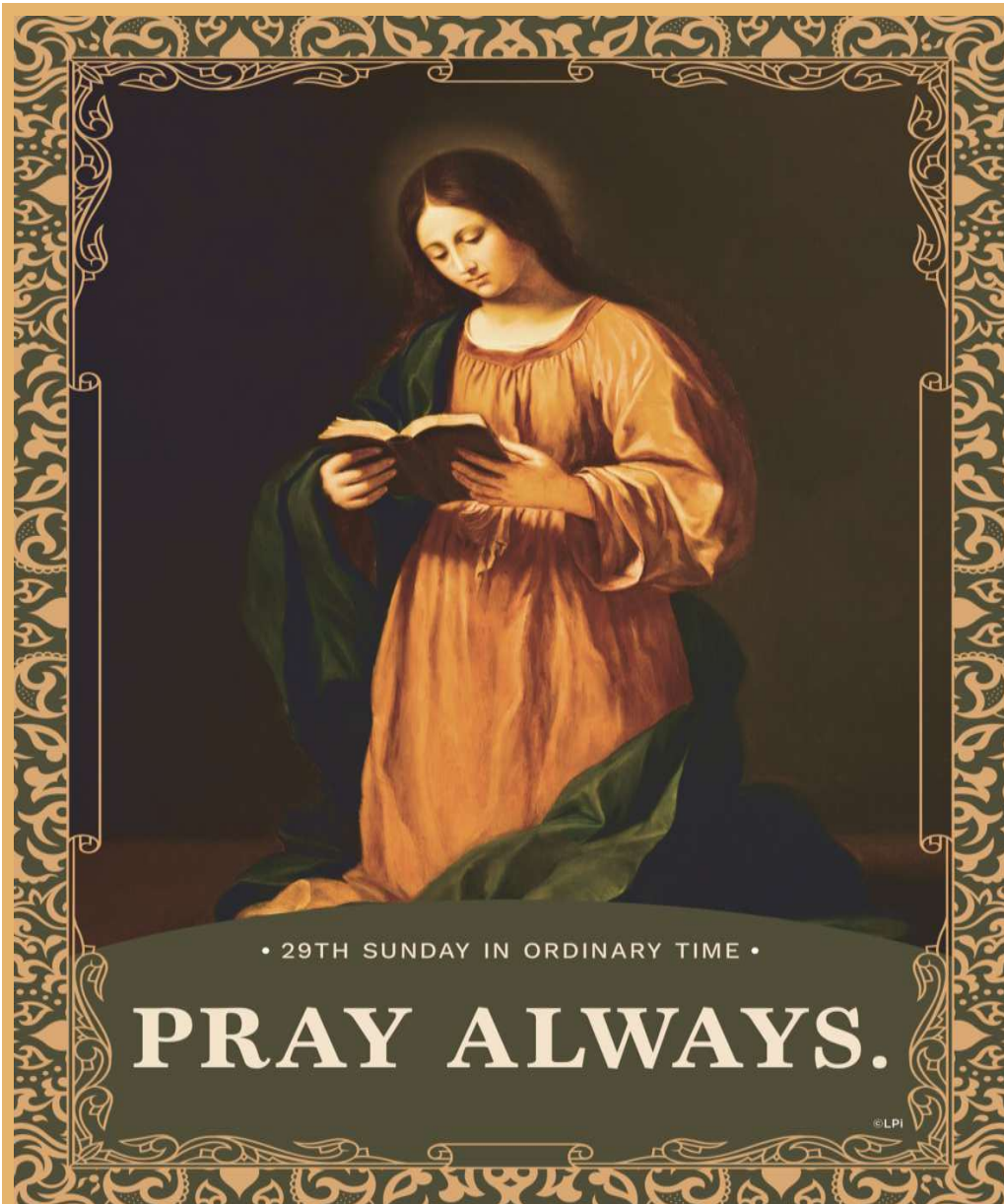
PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Friday

Closed





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BULLETIN DEADLINES

October 19th

Friday, October 10th

October 26th

Friday, October 17th

November 2nd

Friday, October 24th

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER SŁAWEK

Praise be Jesus Christ... Now and Forever!

This Sunday we celebrate World Mission Sunday, a day when the whole Church joins in prayer and solidarity for the missionary work of spreading the Gospel. Every baptized person is a missionary disciple—called to witness the love of Christ to others through prayer, word, and action. Mission is not something far away; it begins in the heart of each believer.

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus tells the story of a widow who never gives up asking for justice. Her persistence moves even an unjust judge to act. Jesus uses this parable to teach us the power of persevering prayer. If a dishonest judge can respond to persistence, how much more will our loving and merciful God listen to those who cry out to Him day and night? God always hears the prayers of His people, even when His answer may come slowly or in ways we do not expect.

This Gospel invites us to trust that faithful prayer changes hearts—our own hearts first, and often the hearts of others as well. Mission begins with prayer. Before we can speak about Jesus, we must first speak with Him. The missionary spirit grows in silence, trust, and daily perseverance in prayer, even when the world seems indifferent or hostile to faith.

On this Mission Sunday, we are reminded that prayer must always lead to action. To be missionary is to make God's mercy visible through our deeds of love, compassion, and justice. Some are called to go to distant lands, but most of us are called to live the Gospel right where we are—at home, at work, in our parish, and in our neighborhoods. Every act of kindness and forgiveness is a small mission that brings the light of Christ to others.

I would like to thank all those who have supported my mission outreach in Kenya. Through your prayers and generosity, you have helped bring hope and dignity to children and women in need. Your support builds not only classrooms and kitchens but also a community of faith that reflects the Gospel's compassion and joy. You are living witnesses of what it means to be missionaries of Christ's love.

Let us continue to pray for all missionaries throughout the world—priests, sisters, brothers, and lay people—who often serve in difficult and dangerous conditions. May God strengthen them with courage and perseverance, and may their example inspire us to be faithful witnesses wherever we are.

May this Mission Sunday renew in each of us a missionary heart—a heart that prays without ceasing, loves without limits, and trusts that God's justice and mercy will prevail. Let us never lose heart, but keep faith alive through prayer and good works, until the day the Son of Man finds faith burning brightly on the earth.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Sławek

This weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday. We join Catholics worldwide in support of the missionary work of the Church.

Your prayers and sacrifices today ensure that the light of Christ reaches the ends of the earth. The Church's mission is not the responsibility only of those who serve in distant lands; it belongs to all of us by baptism. Each time we support the missions, we affirm that we are one Church, one family in Christ, united in bringing hope and love to all people.

May this World Mission Sunday deepen our commitment to the missionary dimension of our faith. Let us go forth as Missionaries of Hope, bringing God's love and mercy to all people!



CALENDAR

10/18/25 SATURDAY

6:30am That Man Is You (TMIY)
8:30am Mass
9:00am Reconciliation
4:30pm Mass

10/19/25 SUNDAY

~ *World Mission Sunday* ~

2nd Collection

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



10/20/25 MONDAY

8:30am Communion Service
11:30am Prayer Group
3:15pm Brownie Troop

10/21/25 TUESDAY

8:30am Mass
9:00am Gentle Stretch
6:30pm CRHP Women

10/22/25 WEDNESDAY

8:30am Mass
3:00pm RE Faith Formation

10/23/25 THURSDAY

8:30am Mass
6:30pm CCW
7:00pm Finance Council

10/24/25 FRIDAY

8:30am Mass

10/25/25 SATURDAY

6:30am That Man Is You (TMIY)
8:30am Mass
9:00am Reconciliation
4:30pm Mass
5:00pm Focolare

10/26/25 SUNDAY

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

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY



ALL SOULS MEMORIAL

The Memorial for All Souls this year will be held during the regular weekend Mass on **Sunday, November 2nd at 10:00AM.** Those of our loved ones who have entered into eternal life over the past twelve months will be memorialized in a special way at this Mass, even as we remember and pray for all the souls of the departed.

Once again this year, there will be a **reception in Barrett Hall following the Mass.**

All are invited to join us for time to relax, share memories and continue to celebrate the lives of those we have bid farewell to this year.



SAVE THE DATE - 2026 CRHP & CCW EVENTS

GIVE YOURSELF A GIFT OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

Come to the next Christ Renews His Parish Women's Weekend
February 21- 22, 2026

What is CRHP? Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) is a beautiful time to celebrate your faith, spend time with God and share it with Sisters in Spirit.

~MORE INFORMATION ABOUT CRHP & THE RETREAT WEEKEND COMING SOON~

Bells of Mary Queen

Rehearsals for the new handbell choir will begin on Thursday, October 30th at 6:30p.m.

Learn technique and rhythm with this enjoyable ensemble. Music reading is not required. We own over three octaves of quality handbells and will ring for Christmas Eve and Epiphany.



Please contact **Holly Herber** to sign up or for any questions at:
hollymusicministry@gmail.com



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CCW invites you to a lively Bingo Night!

Friday, January 9th, 2026
@ 7:00pm

More Details to Come!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS - MARY GLAUDELL, DIRECTOR



"Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know from whom you learned it"
(2 Timothy 3:14)

This month in Faith Formation our children will be focusing on Jesus, Our

Lord and Savior. It is through our faith in Jesus Christ that we find salvation. Our faith calls us to live as children of God in love: love of God and love of our neighbor.

Our 2nd graders remind us to "turn our hearts to Jesus"



PARISH NEWS - PET BLESSING

On October 5th, our parish family and animal friends (from the usual dogs and cats to a bearded dragon) came together for our annual Pet Blessing to commemorate St. Francis, patron saint of animals and ecology.



Pet Blessing: "God made every kind of wild animal, every kind of tame animal, and every kind of thing that crawls on the ground. God saw that it was good." (Genesis 1:25)



UNDY SUNDAY RESULTS!

Here is a recap from **Undy Sunday 2025**. We collected over **3,000** individual items for **Catholic Charities**!

- + Men's Underwear— **108**
- + Men's Undershirts - **9**
- + Kid's Socks - **65 pairs**
- + Wipes - **10 packs**
- + Feminine Hygiene Products - **523 items**
- + Women's Underwear - **31**
- + Kid's Undershirts - **5**
- + Baby Diapers - **1,770**
- + Adult Diapers - **24**
- + Soap, Shampoo, Conditioner - **34**
- + Kid's Underwear - **52**
- + Adult Socks - **150 pairs**
- + Pull-ups - **503**

THANK YOU for all your help and donations!
As usual our parish makes a big difference!!!





Mary Queen of Heaven

COAT EXCHANGE

Bring your clean and gently used winter gear for a second life!

We're accepting coats, boots, hats, gloves, scarves, etc. Please check and clean items first. Drop all items off on the racks and bins in the hallway to Mary's Gathering space and look for some new for you winter gear to keep you cozy this winter! You do not need to donate items in order to take from the exchange, all are welcome. We're collecting all child and adult sizes. All leftover gear will be donated.

Exchange runs October 15th - November 3rd.

BRING SOMETHING
AND/OR
TAKE SOMETHING

ALL ADULT & CHILD
SIZES ACCEPTED

ALL LEFTOVER GEAR
WILL BE DONATED

COATS, HATS, GLOVES,
SCARVES, BOOTS,
SNOWSUITS

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN

FALL RESALE



SATURDAY, NOV 15
8AM - 12PM

LIGHTLY USED OR BRAND NEW ITEMS!
TOYS | CLOTHES | BOOKS | STROLLERS | BABY ITEMS
MOST ITEMS \$1-2 CASH ONLY

430 WEST AVE. ELMHURST

MQH MOM & TOT TUESDAY PLAYGROUP



Join us for our Mom & Tot Craft Days, dates and themes listed below. This is a great way for your little ones to begin socializing and communicating while having fun. They may even meet some future classmates who will be starting at MQH Preschool next year. The play group is a **FREE** program that Mary Queen of Heaven facilitates. Donations are accepted to offset the program costs. While the program is free, registration is required prior to the events so we can be properly prepared.

Who: Parents/Caregivers with children 0-2 years old.

When: Tuesday morning 10:20-11:20am (see below for details).

Where: Mary Queen of Heaven Rm 2/3-come to the "parish office" entrance located on West Ave. Ring the doorbell & let them know you are there for the play group. Or enter through the back preschool entrance & ring the doorbell there.

10/14- Halloween Craft 2/10 - St. Valentine's Craft

11/11 - Thanksgiving Craft 3/17 - St. Patrick's Craft

12/16 - Holiday Craft 4/14 - Easter Craft

1/13 - New Year's Craft 5/5- Summer Picnic

Register: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4AAAAA29A1F9C70-54329367-mqhmom>

Email mqhmomandtots@gmail.com for registration/questions.

FAITH FORMATION FOR FAMILIES

A free Zoom webinar presented by the Catholic Schools Office.

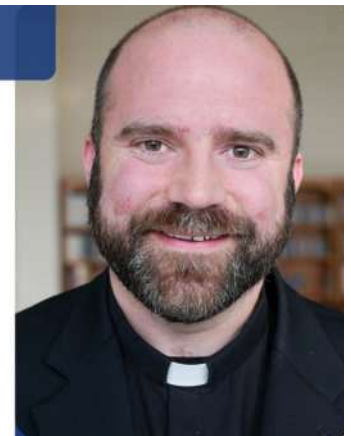
**Wednesday,
October 22 at
6:30 p.m.**

**Join Fr. Andy Davy, M.I.C.,
for a conversation about
forming our families in faith.**

Register Today!



The Beyond the Books parenting workshop series accompanies parents and students as we navigate the challenging world around us.



Our Speaker

Fr. Andy Davy, M.I.C.

Fr. Andy is a Marian Father of the Immaculate Conception. He has focused much of his time on helping children, youth, and young adults discover the love and mercy of God, and mentors them to become missionary disciples. He is the host of "Gospel Picnic," a weekly program for kids on the upcoming Sunday Mass readings. He served as pastor at St. Mary's Parish in Plano, Illinois.

Diocese of Joliet Catholic Schools



Readings Week of the

THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 19TH, 2025

Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Monday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday:

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: St. John Paul II, Pope

Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest

Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday:

Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23(7a)/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14



DONATIONS

WEEKLY OFFERINGS REPORT

Week of October 5, 2025

Sunday \$ 6,782.00

Mail in \$ 630.00

Electronic \$ 5,755.00

TOTAL \$ 13,167.00

Thank you for your Generosity!



CMAA Pledge Report

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Results through 10/12/2025

	2025	2024	Inc/Dec	2024 (Final)
Parish Goal	\$45,800	\$41,600	\$4,200	\$41,600
Amount Pledged	\$73,284	\$81,154	(\$7,871)	\$86,211
Amount Paid	\$67,746	\$74,390	(\$6,644)	\$83,971
Balance Due	\$5,538	\$6,765	(\$1,227)	\$2,240
Donors	191	202	-11	218
Rebate	\$15,362			

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

October 20

Dcn. John Rex
Dcn. John Ripoll
Dcn. David Ritter
Dcn. Timothy Roberts

October 21

Sr. Sharon Frederick OSF
Sr. Ann Freiburg OSF

October 22

Fr. Robert Schoenstene
Fr. James Schwab

October 23

Fr. John Sponder

October 24

Seminarian Giovanni Gonzalez

October 25

Fr. Maciej Stelmach
Fr. Daniel F. Stempora

October 26

Dcn. Thomas Ross
Dcn. Michael Ruddle
Dcn. Kevin Ryan
Dcn. Terry Safko
Dcn. Thomas Sagenbrecht
Dcn. Luis Saltigerald

Mary Queen of Heaven Thanksgiving Food Drive

We will be holding our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for the families that we have adopted through St. Vincent DePaul. We will help them create a wonderful Thanksgiving Feast with the items that you donate. Keep your eyes out for **"The Turkey Pumpkin"**. It will give its feathers away so that you can give to the Food Drive. Written on each feather are non-perishable food or household items that are most in need for the celebration. There are also feathers requesting Grocery Store Gift Cards so that our families can purchase turkey or other perishable items. (You do not have to have a feather to donate). **Please return all donations by Monday, November 17th. Sorting and packing the donations will be held the evening of Monday the 17th.**



NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated November 2nd–8th, 2025.

It is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations.



Blood Drive!

Sunday, October 19th 8AM - 2PM

The Renaissance Room
537 S. York Rd Elmhurst, IL

Walk ins welcomed or schedule an appointment





Saturday, October 18, 2025

8:30am † Michael Norman Durdil
4:30pm † James and Ruth Friel
† Eileen Opferman

Sunday, October 19, 2025

8:30am † Ann T. Holub
† Lynn Suwanski
† Charles (Chuck) Smith
Parishioners of Mary Queen
10:00am † George M. Lutz
11:30am † Seweryn Lebiecki– XV rocz. śmierci
† Ireneusz Ber

Monday, October 20, 2025

8:30am Communion Service

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

8:30am Kevin W. Hanlon

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

8:30am † Szymon Zelazny

Thursday, October 23, 2025

8:30am † David Grunwald

Friday, October 24, 2025

8:30am † Ed Nowak

Saturday, October 25, 2025

8:30am † Kay Ryan
4:30pm † Frances Griffin
† Jack McLaughlin-Strain

Sunday, October 26, 2025

8:30am † Lynn Suwanski
† Dorothy Cirock
Parishioners of Mary Queen
10:00am † Floria DeVito
11:30am † Wojciech Gron
† Tadeusz Podgórny

† indicates person is deceased



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, October 25th - Sunday, October 26th

LECTORS

Saturday: October 25th | **4:30pm** | S. Griffin
Sunday: October 26th | **8:30am** | W. Woolard
10:00am | M. McCall

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday: October 25th | **4:30pm** |
L. Maniola (Capt.) | S. Nagy | E. Ruizol
Sunday: October 26th | **8:30am** | Deacon Alex
J. Eichorst (Capt.) | A. Locascio
Sunday: October 26th | **10:00am** | Deacon Tim
P. Twardowski (Capt.) | R. Baguilet | D. Justus
J. Naples | P. Naples

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND FELLOW PARISHIONERS

Angelica Gonzalez Ignacio Campos

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**



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JUBILEE
Day of Prayer

Visit St. Peter's in Itasca,
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during the 2025 Jubilee

SCHEDULE

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM – Holy Mass
8:30 AM – 8:00 PM – Adoration
3:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Confessions
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Holy Hour with
Vespers and
Benediction



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