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JANUARY 14, 2024

**2nd Sunday of
Ordinary Time**

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30pm

Sunday 8:30am and 10:30pm

Weekday Masses

Mon: Communion Service 8:30am

Tues to Sat 8:30am

Rosary

Monday to Saturday 8:00 am

Sacraments

Reconciliation-Sat. 9:00am

Baptism

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month
at 12:00pm.

Required Baptismal preparation
on the 2nd Thurs at 7:00pm.

Call Parish Office to register.

Marriage

Please contact the Pastor
at least 6 months in advance

Parish Office Hours

Mon. to Thurs. 9:00am to 4:00pm

Friday 9:00am to 12:00pm

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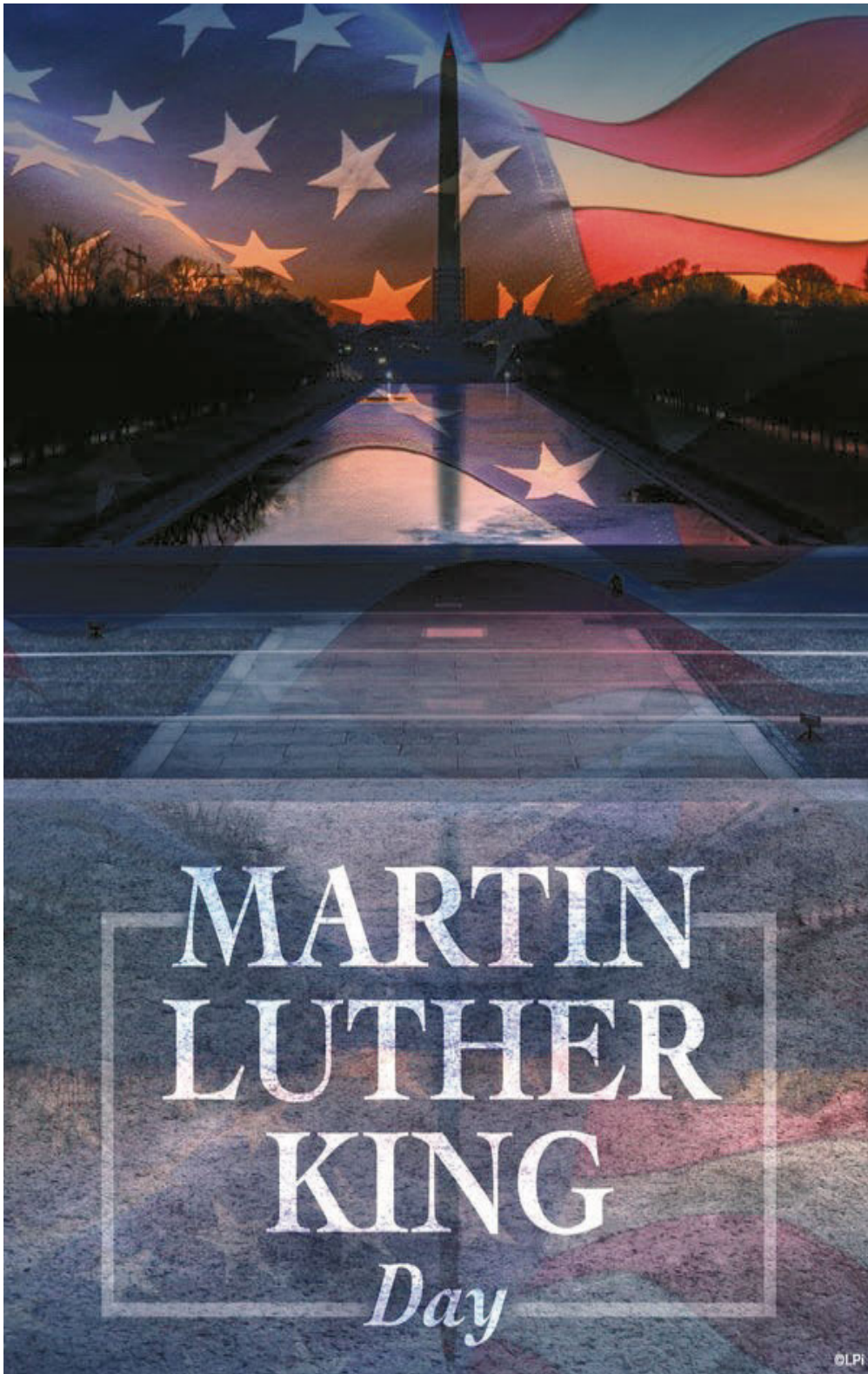
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BULLETIN DEADLINES

for January 21, 2024

MON. 1:00PM 1/15/24

for January 28, 2024

MON. 1:00PM 1/22/24

A Message from Fr. Sunny

IN THE MIDST OF A JOURNEY

I have been doing pilgrimages since 2006, barely two years after my ordination. I started to think about it when I read an article from Pope Benedict encouraging the faithful to visit the holy shrines of the Catholic Church for their spiritual growth. It is also something that Pope John Paul II was known for, being the most traveled pope in history.

Seventeen years later, I am here in the Philippines doing my twentieth pilgrimage together with my friends Frs. Mario Quejadas and Dindo Billote, and twenty-two others who are visiting some of the Philippines’ most sacred shrines in Bohol and Cebu, plus a short visit to Coron, Palawan for sight-seeing and relaxation. It is my first time to visit these churches and shrines. It is also my first time to attend the well-known festival called Sinulog, which pays homage to the statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague that was gifted by the Spaniards to the chieftain of Cebu, who was baptized with his family into Catholicism, marking the beginning of Christianity in the country. I am excited and thankful for this trip because it is an opportunity for me to get to know the land of my birth better than ever before.

As a Catholic priest, I have grown so much in my knowledge and appreciation of the Catholic Church through traveling and visiting Catholic shrines. I was also able to have many profound spiritual experiences during these travels. They have helped mold my spirituality and awakened me to the true universality of the Church.

Here are ten of the most unforgettable moments:

1. Celebrating masses in Bethlehem, Nazareth, Golgotha, Gethsemane.
2. Kissing the spot where Jesus was born.
3. Receiving a blessing from Pope John Paul II, when he put his hand on my head in the Vatican, and later on receiving a rosary from him in a private audience.
4. Experiencing a healing miracle in Lourdes, France.
5. Sailing on the Sea of Galilee, feeling the presence of Jesus walking on the water.
6. Walking through the ruins of Ephesus, thinking that Saint Paul walked right on those actual spots.
7. Being with my mother in three pilgrimages so far: Holy land, Marian (Fatima to Lourdes) and Central Europe (Poland, Austria, Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovakia).
8. Celebrating Mass at the Chapel of the Apparition in Fatima.
9. Singing songs to the Virgin Mary in procession to see the tilma at the Guadalupe Shrine in Mexico.
10. Witnessing conversion and spiritual renewal among the pilgrims.

On September 30, 2024, I am going to another Marian Pilgrimage to visit the shrines of Lisbon, Fatima, Lourdes, Spain, Montserrat and Barcelona. This is an amazingly beautiful and spiritually charged journey. All are welcome. Meanwhile, as I continue this spiritual journey here in my beloved Philippines, know that you are prayed for, my dear MQH family. God bless you.

Growing in faith and love,

Fr. Sunny Castillo

CALENDAR

1/13/24 SATURDAY

4:30 pm Mass

**1/14/24 SUNDAY, 2ND
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**8:30 am Mass
9:30 am OCIA
10:30 am Mass
10:30 am Children's
Liturgy of
the Word**1/15/24 MONDAY**8:30 am Communion
Service**1/16/24 TUESDAY**8:30 am Mass
9:00 am YOGA
6:30 pm CRHP
7:00 pm Choir Practice**1/17/24 WEDNESDAY**8:30 am Mass
3:00 pm Religious Ed Classes**1/18/24 THURSDAY**8:30 am Mass
7:00 pm Parish Pastoral
Council**1/19/24 FRIDAY**

8:30 am Mass

1/20/24 SATURDAY9:00 am Reconciliation
10:00 am Reconciliation
Retreat
4:30 pm Mass
4:30 pm Mass Tag Weekend**1/21/24 SUNDAY, 3RD
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**8:30 am Mass
8:30 am Mass Tag Weekend
9:00 am Family Faith 6-8

PARISH NEWS

Women – Give Yourself a Gift! Women's CRHP Weekend Feb 24-25, 2024

Do you sense that something's missing from your life? Do you feel that if you weren't so busy you would be happier, more fulfilled, healthier, and maybe even a better person? Give yourself a gift.

**Prayerfully consider coming the next Women's CRHP
Weekend, February 24-25, 2024.**

Take a break from the craziness of life and connect with other women from the parish. This weekend has changed lives and brings you closer to Jesus and each other.

For more information contact

Karen Sutkus, Spiritual Director, at 630-935-1153 or kustkus1@comcast.net
or Siobhan Nolan, Lay Director, at sbhnolan@yahoo.com, 630-263-4396.

HOLIDAY THANK YOU!

ON BEHALF OF THE 15 FAMILIES WE ADOPTED FOR THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS, WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED. ALSO, A SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM THE ELMHURST EXTENDED CARE NURSING HOME AND THE GROVE NURSING HOME FOR THE GIFTS DONATED TO THEIR RESIDENTS BY OUR PARISHIONERS AND THE ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY. ONCE AGAIN MARY QUEEN HAS BEEN BEYOND GENEROUS. GOD BLESS!

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

On Sunday, January 21st, CHRP will be hosting Fellowship immediately following the 10:30 am Mass in Barrett Hall. Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy the company of fellow parishioners and the delicious breakfast items donated by the members of CHRP. Hope to see you all there!

*NAME TAG MASSESgetting to know our
fellow parishioners*

**On the weekend of January 20 & 21, 2024,
name tag stickers and markers will be
provided when entering church. If you
wish to participate, we would love to
learn your first and/or last name!**



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FROM MARY GLAUDELL, DIRECTOR

Marillac House sent a special thank you for MQH support through the Christmas toy drive.

To all of our Wonderful Volunteers and Supporters...

The 2023 Christmas Store was an absolute success!!! We served 250 families in record time, in what was one of the smoothest mornings in memory! Thank you all for showing up this past Saturday, on all the set-up days, and on the toy collection/drop off events for the past month with full hearts, energetic bodies, can-do attitudes, smiling faces, and a spirit of service that went above and beyond everything we could have hoped for.

On behalf of our families, all of the staff who were out in front or behind the scenes, and our MSV leadership, I thank you for supporting the Annual MSV Christmas Store. So much of what we do every day simply would not happen without dedicated and generous donors and volunteers who share time, talent and treasure so that we can accompany the people in our programs on their journeys toward greater growth, empowerment, and success.

We extend to each of you our deepest gratitude.

Wishing you all safe, peaceful and joyful holidays, and abundant blessings in 2024.



PRESCHOOL NEWS

FROM GENET PINKERTON, DIRECTOR



Mary Queen of Heaven
PRESCHOOL

REGISTRATION BEGINS IN JANUARY
FOR OUR AMAZING SCHOOL!



Mary Queen of Heaven Preschool, in partnership with families and with the loving support of our parish community, offers a Child-centered early learning environment.

OUR PROGRAM

We provide an educational experience that honors differences and focuses on strengths and goodness. Children are encouraged to make choices, develop their talents, and understand the role God plays in the world around them. We strive to educate the whole child. Children will be free to play, explore, and imagine in the course of a child-oriented day. Our faith-centered, child-focused, family sensitive preschool, seeks to develop a loving relationship with God and all those around us with love, justice, peace, and service. **All are welcome.**

PROGRAM DETAILS

- * Serving children ages 2-6 yrs. old.
 - o 4's classroom for MWF or M-F 8:15-11:45
 - o 3's classroom for MWF or M-F 8:15-11:45
 - o 2's classroom for T/Th or M/W 8:15-10:15
 - o Afternoon Enrichment 11:45-2:45

2024 Open House Dates and Times

Tue. 1/9, 5:30pm-7:30pm

Thur. 1/11, 4:30pm-6:30pm

Sun. 1/21, 11:30am-1:30pm

REGISTRATION OPENS IN JANUARY!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE! www.mqhpreschool.org for more information

Visit our Facebook, come to an open house, or schedule a tour to learn more about us!

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Monday, January 22nd

4:00 PM - 10:00 PM

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PARISH NEWS

We are wise like the Kings; we all went to find Jesus in the stable.



Many blessings to you in the New Year with Jesus!



The 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!

As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are humbly asking all parishioners to pledge their support for this important effort, as together we can make a profound difference.

This year's CMAA theme is *For the Glory of God*. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we can help provide safe shelter for the homeless, feed the physical and social needs of those who are hungry, inspire those discerning a life of vocation, and aid in the education of our next generation of Catholics. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own, but together through the appeal we can do so much more.

Our parish's goal for the 2024 CMAA is \$41,600, and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us and used fruitfully within our own parish. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office. Thank you!



Eastern DuPage Deanery
Join Us as we Welcome
Fr. Michael Pawlowicz
"Understanding the Structure of the Vatican"

January 22, 2024 7:00pm

Immaculate Conception Church
132 Arthur St. Elmhurst, IL 60126

Priests, deacons, staff, council members, and all parish leadership are encourage to attend.

All are welcome to join us for an engaging presentation!

Please go to icelmhurst.org to register. Registration is requested, not required.

Walk-ins welcome!

A priest of the Diocese of Joliet, Fr. Michael is currently working in for the Apostolic Nunciature of Indonesia.





Sunday, January 14, 2024

8:30am Russ Kubycheck & Lynn Kubycheck

10:30am † Gerlando Tambello

Monday, January 15, 2024

8:30am Communion Service

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

8:30am Parishioners of Mary Queen of Heaven

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

8:30am Homeless & Hungry

Thursday, January 18, 2024

8:30am Priests and Seminarians

Friday, January 19, 2024

8:30am All God's Children

Saturday, January 20, 2024

4:30pm All of Our Nation's Military

Sunday, January 21, 2024

8:30am † Vivian Ressa

Russ Kubycheck & Lynn Kubycheck

10:30am † Stella Bavaso

† indicates person is deceased



Jim Calderone, Bob & Pasty O'Donnell,

Maureen Gordon, James Cloney

Requested by Kathleen Calderone

Deborah Blazer & Patricia Connolly

Requested by Dr. & Mrs. Blazer

Betty & Ray Wozniak

Requested by Judith Fuchsen

Loretta & Mike Mazgaj, Betty, Joe & Mike Bednarz,

Jackie Perez, Teri, Madelynn & Frank Martino,

Mary Lou Campo, Mary Pestillo, Anthony Zomparelli,

Sr. Honorata, Sr. Thomas Leo, Mary Hagerty,

Gloria Agreadaro & Sally Carf

Requested by Mr. & Mrs. John Bednarz

Cindy Jergan

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 20, 2024 & Sunday, January 21, 2024

	SATURDAY 4:30pm	SUNDAY 8:30am	SUNDAY 10:30am
LECTORS	Scott Griffin	Ken Sutkus	Pat Naples
EUCARISTIC MINISTERS	K. Vicary-C E. Ruiz K. Passarelli	M. Nolan-C A. Locascio	G. Pinkerton-C J. Naples P. Naples G. Nieves M. Nieves
	<i>C-indicates the captain</i>		

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of JANUARY 14, 2024

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

65: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 / Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 / 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20 / Jn 1:35-42

Monday:

311: 1 Sm 15:16-23 / Ps 50: 8-9, 16-17, 21, 23 / Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday:

312: 1 Sm 16:1-13 / Ps 89: 20-22, 27-28 / Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Saint Anthony, Abbot

312:1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 / Ps 144:1-2, 9-10 / Mk 3:1-6
see 513: Eph 6:10-13, 18 Mt 19:16-26

Thursday:

314: 1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7 / Ps 56:2-3, 9-14 / Mk 3: 7-12

Friday:

309: 1 Sm 24:3-21 / Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11 / Mk 3:13-19 S

Saturday: Saint Fabian, Pope, Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr; BVM

31: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 / Ps 80: 2-3, 5-7 / Mk 3:20-21



WEEKLY OFFERINGS REPORT	Sunday	\$ 4729.50
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023	Mail in	\$ 450.00
	Electronic	\$ 2307.50

THANK-YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

TOTAL	\$ 6487.00
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CMAA PLEDGE REPORT THROUGH 1-7-2024

GOAL	\$ 37,800
PLEDGED	\$ 66,134
PAID	\$ 65,772
BALANCE DUE	\$ 362

Monthly pledge payments for CMAA 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 additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

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