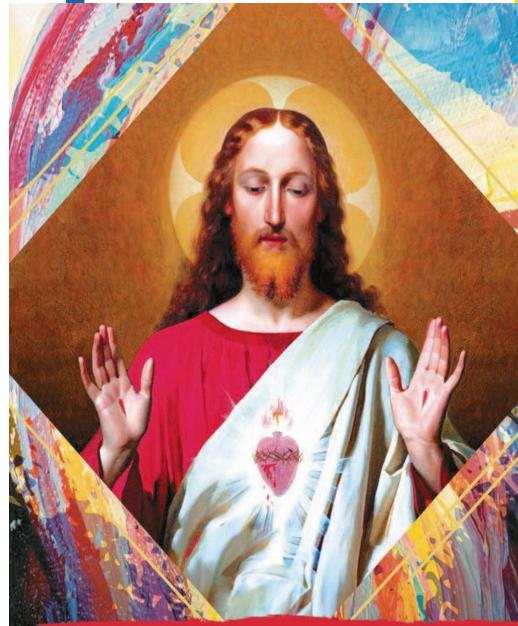
MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." - Lk 24:46

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APRIL 14, 2024 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

LITURGY SCHEDULE

<u>Weekend Masses</u> Saturday 4:30 pm Sunday 8:30 am and 10:30 am

<u>Weekday Masses</u> Monday -Communion Service 8:30 am Tuesday to Saturday 8:30 am

<u>Rosary</u> Monday to Saturday 8:00 am

SACRAMENTS

<u>Reconciliation</u> Saturday 9:00 am

<u>Baptism</u>

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:00 pm. Required Baptismal preparation on the 2nd Thursday at 7:00 pm. Call Parish Office to register.

<u>Marriage</u>

Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance.

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

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BULLETIN DEADLINES

for April 21, 2024 MON. 1:00 PM 4/15/24 for April 28, 2024 MON. 1:00 PM 4/22/24

A Message from Fr. Sunny

Never Stop Learning About Your Faith

As I count down the days of my time with you, my dear MQH family, I would like to take this opportunity to leave a few tenets that I have found to be very important for my own life of faith, hoping that you will find the truth and inspiration in them as well.

This weekend, on the third Sunday of Easter, I was to leave you with this: NEVER STOP LEARNING ABOUT YOUR FAITH. The mystery of God is so deep that in our lifetime, we will not get to the bottom of it. It is so rich that it will continue to yield more and more insight and inspiration. That is because our God is a living God, and the Church and All-That-She-Is possesses a living mystery that we are unable to fully comprehend with our historical minds.

SYMBOLIC ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS. As a priest, I am constantly in search for deeper meanings, and more effective expressions of what I believe in. I sometimes embody it in the form of a poem or poetic prayer, if not a song or even perhaps a photograph, a painting, or another artform. These expressions are possible especially when I encounter a new way of talking about God, or another expression of my love and trust in Him. I love listening to new songs that convey the ancient sentiments of discovery or longing for God. Some of the fruits of these divine meanderings could end up being in my homily or in a new book of poetry or song. But the point is, the very source of all of these is utterly inexhaustible.

CATHOLIC WRITERS AND LITERATURE. Reading is another way that we can gain from the spiritual insight of others and thereby creating its own application in our souls. Reading the lives of the saints, the encyclical of the popes, the writings of the early church fathers, and the current spiritual writings of contemporary authors and theologians, are just the immediate things that come to mind. Imagine if you read the spiritual classics like St. Therese's the "Story of a Soul" or Saint Teresa of Avila's "The Interior Castle" and St. John Paul II's "Theology of the Body". These words are life-changing and they contain within them truths that will be relevant to every generation, time and season.

SCRIPTURAL MEDITATION AND REFLECTION. One of the things I love about our Focolare Community here is the fact that every month, people gather together to share their concrete experiences with scripture passages. In our monthly sharing of the Word of Life at Barrett Hall, we discover that the Lord has not only gave us the Scripture as Word of Life, He also provided the various opportunities to live out the verse of the month. As people share and participate in this communion of souls around the Scripture chosen for the month, we encourage and inspire each other, thanks to the work of the Holy Spirit in our midst. The Focolare Bible Sharing is always an open door for anyone who desires to join.

What are you doing to learn more about your own faith? Learning about God and His ongoing creative interplay with the world is a lifelong venture. Learning is not only for the young children who go to catechism. It is for all of us, including myself. I pray that you may grow in your passion for discovering the wisdom of God and may each moment of discovery be full of joy and gratitude. God bless you!

With the gladness of the Eastertide,

Fr. Sunny Castillo

CALENDAR

4/13/24	SATURDAY
6:30am	That Man is You in Barrett Hall
8:30am 9:00am	Mass Reconciliation
10:00am	Jovful Again in Room 1
3:00pm	1st Comm Retreat II
4:30pm 6:00pm	Mass Indian Catholic
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4/14/24	3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER
8:30am 9:00am	Mass 1st Comm Retreat II
9:00am	Family Faith 6-8
9:30am	OCIA
10:30am 10:30am	Mass Children's Liturgy
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4/15/24	MONDAY
8:30am	Communion Service
4/16/24	TUESDAY
8:30am	Mass
9:00am	Yoga CRHP
6:30pm 7:00pm	Choir Practice
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4/17/24	WEDNESDAY
8:15am	Preschool Coffee and Convos
8:30am	Mass
3:00pm	Religious Ed Classes
4/18/24	THURSDAY
8:30am	Mass
7:00pm	Parish Pastoral Council
4/19/24	FRIDAY
8:30am	Mass
4/20/24	SATURDAY
6:30am	That Man is You in Barrett Hall
8:30am	Mass
9:00am	Reconciliation
4:30pm	Mass NAMETAG WEEKEND
5:30pm	Focolare in Barrett Hall
4/21/24	World Day of Prayer for
-, 21, 24	Vocations & 4TH SUNDAY
8:30am	OF EASTER Mass
	NAMETAG WEEKEND
9:30am	OCIA
10:30am 10:30am	Mass Children's Liturgy
	of the Word
11:30am 12:00pm	Fellowship Baptisms
3:00pm	El Shaddai Charismatic

PARISH NEWS

Thanks to the 2nd grade RE Class

The Ministry of Care team was presented with lovely, handmade Christmas and Easter cards created for those homebound persons we serve. We want to thank the second grade RE class taught by Marcia Walz who organized this project. It helped to connect the children to MQH parishioners who are unable to attend Mass due to illness or age. Your efforts brightened the lives of these parishioners! Thank you for your care and creativity!

NAMETAG WEEKEND - Saturday, 4/20 & Sunday, 4/21

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

Please join us for Fellowship Sunday in Barrett Hall on April 21st immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The Lectors and Ushers are hosting and invite you, your families and friends to join one another for coffee, tea, juice and goodies. Hope to see you after Mass!

Coming soon to Visitation!

Called & Gifted

Saturday, June 15th 9:00 am – 3:30 pm Visitation Parish Center



The *Called & Gifted* workshop can help you:

- Discover the unique call God has for you.

- Discern the gifts the Holy Spirit has given you in Baptism and Confirmation to fulfill your mission in life?

Teachers from the **Catherine of Siena Institute** in Colorado will facilitate this introductory **Called & Gifted** workshop. Learn more at <u>siena.org/called-gifted</u>



To register for the June 15th workshop use the QR code to the left or: <u>http://bit.ly/CandGElmhurst</u>

Cost: \$35 (covers book & lunch)

This is a joint effort of Visitation, IC, & Mary Queen of Heaven.

For more info please contact: Matt Pozen (Vis): 630-279-7058, <u>matt.pozen@visitationcc.org</u> Donna Campbell (IC): 630-805-0935, <u>donnaccampbell@att.net</u> Mary Glaudell (MQH): 630-832-8962, <u>mglaudell@maryqueen.org</u>

PRESCHOOL NEWS

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRESCHOOL CHILDREN'S CLOTHING & TOY RESALE

Saturday April 27th 8am-2 pm at Mary Queen of Heaven

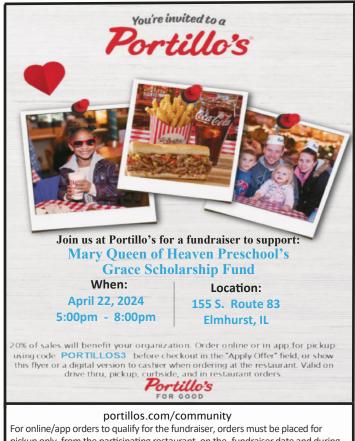
Donations Needed

Your donations of items that we can sell are greatly appreciated! Drop off items year round to the brown bins behind the preschool sign near the playground.

Volunteers Needed

- We also need help preparing for and running the sale. We have a sign up for the many hands it takes to have a successful sale. <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084DAAA82AA3FF2-48240010childrens#/</u>
 Proceeds and Unsold items
- All proceeds for the sale go directly to the school for new items. Unsold items go to a variety of charity organizations such as Soles For Kids, St Vincent DePaul store, and The Elmhurst Clothing Center.
- ♦ For more information :
 - Email us at mqhpreschoolresale@gmail.com Visit our website at www.mqhpreschool.org

FUNDRAISER



For online/app orders to quality for the fundralser, orders must be placed for pickup only, from the participating restaurant, on the fundralser date and during the listed fundralser hours. Gift card purchases, delivery orders, and orders placed on the third party websites are excluded from the fundralser. Online ordering subject to availability. \$200 minimum fundralsing sales required for the

organization to receive donation. Cannot be combined with other offer codes.



SACRAMENT CELEBRATION

Such a beautiful celebration! God Bless Casey Lou Jarvis



Word of Life Meeting Saturday, April 27, 2024

5:30 p.m. Mary Queen of Heaven Parish 426 West Avenue, Elmhurst Room 13 Potluck dinner and Word of Life Sharing

"With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all." (Acts 4:33)

FAITH FORMATION NEWS FROM MARY GLAUDELL, DIRECTOR

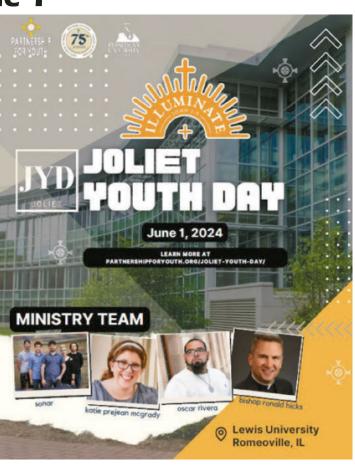
Joliet Youth Day – June 1st

You have heard of World Youth Day and the spiritual awakening that invokes. Now, you have a chance to participate in a similar experience on a smaller & local scale. The Diocese of Joliet is hosting a day long Youth Day on June 1st.

Let the Holy Spirit light fire up your faith and discipleship in a day designed to be both lively and deeply spiritual.

7th graders (going into 8th grade) through high

school join our Mary Queen of Heaven group. Cost = \$75 includes transportation & lunch.



SUICIDE PREVENTION:

Listening For and Helping to Create Life Worth Living

Monday, April 22 @ 7:00 - 8:30 PM Mary Queen of Heaven Parish Barrett Hall

Presenter: Bradley Burnett

Depressed, severely depressed, and suicidal people often are not inspired to create a quality future for themselves and have lost touch with the value of life.

This presentation meets the struggling person in his or her shoes in the moment and leads them to be inspired not only live, but to love being alive. And it empowers the helper – e.g., family member, friend, teacher, neighbor, coworker, etc. – to help shift the struggling person's context to that of choosing life and generating a life worth living.

Presented by Bradley Burnett, a trained suicide prevention counselor, you will first hear his personal story of his own son's life and death – his triumphs, struggles, and ultimate death by his own hand. Brad will share the detail of his conversations with his son about whether and why his life was worth living, exposing both the skill set Brad had ... and, sadly, did not have ... at the time. You will then learn skills and gain hands-on experience on how to become an inspired and inspiring listener who puts the struggling person back in touch with what inspires him or her.

At the conclusion of this presentation, you should be able to:

- Identify the warning signs of suicidal behavior and ask the question of a struggling person which leads to their freedom and safety;
- Listen more effectively to the speaking (and lives) of others for what is possible for them;
- Glean from another's speaking and actions what inspires and interests them; and
- Lead another to generate their own thoughts and actions to create for themselves a successful future.

All are welcome to this practical and much-needed presentation. For information, contact Joe Gornick at (630) 601-8343 or gornickjoe@gmail.com.





Russ & Lynn Kubycheck Amber Rodriguez ⁺ Padre Valentino DeBlasio George "Allen" Alcorn Celia Targa **Eric Sanders** Joseph Fassl **Phyllis Greco** Phil Greco Santiago Mendez **Apolinario Abad** Lynn Suwanski The Deceased Members of the Mr. & Mrs. Calia Family

Alex & Lillian Karpy Ed (Millard) Wilson Paul Kulczynski Helen Kulczyncki Laurina Coccia ⁺ Sam Furlin Marcela Mendez Nemesia Ruizol

Ray, Donovan, and Grocke Families

Universal Prayers

Monday, April 15 - St. Peter, Piper City Wednesday, April 17 - St. Paul the Apostle, Peotone Friday, April 19 - The staffs in the Hospitals in the Diocese

Readings

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 14, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 41: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9 1 Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48

Monday: Easter Weekday [3]

273: Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29 Tuesday: Easter Weekday [3]

274: Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31: 3cd-4, 6ab, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab Jn 6:30-35

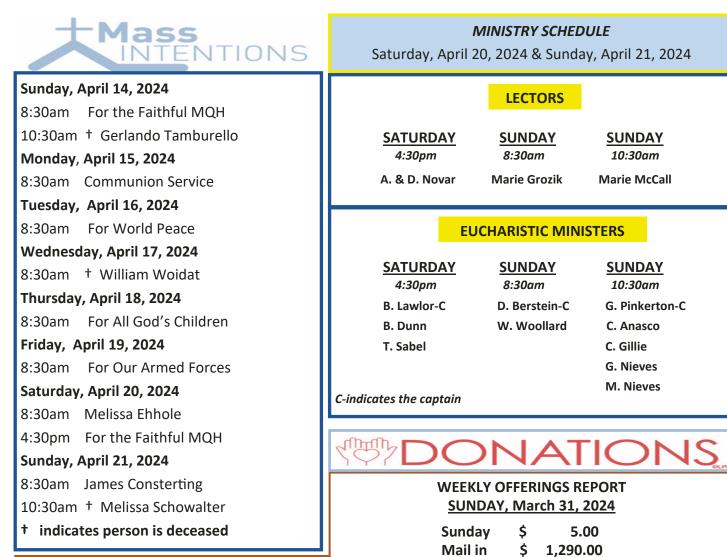
Wednesday: Easter Weekday [3]

275: Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Easter Weekday [3] 276:Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51 Friday: Easter Weekday [3]

277: Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1-2 Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Easter Weekday [3] 278: Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-17 Jn 6:60-69



Mary Queen of Heaven

Monthly Sunday Giving Collection Analysis
(rounded to the nearest \$)

	<u>March</u>		YTD
Sunday Collection	\$	23,212	\$ 210,565
Mail in	\$	4,240	\$ 29,428
<u>WeShare</u>	\$	16,473	\$ 130,71 <u>6</u>
Total Collections	\$	43,925	\$ 370,709
Budget Total	\$	50,804	\$ 315,785
Over (Under) Budget	\$	(6,879)	\$ 54,924

CMAA Pledge Report for Mary Queen of Heaven

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TOTAL

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 amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs. PARISH GOAL: 41,600

