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November 4, 2012

*31st Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

*Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear, O Israel!
The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love
the Lord your God with all your heart, with all
your soul, with all your mind, and with all
your strength."* — Mk 12:29-30

*Jesús le respondió: "El primero es: Escucha,
Israel: El Señor, nuestro Dios, es el único
Señor; amarás al Señor, tu Dios, con todo tu
corazón, con toda tu alma, con toda tu mente
y con todas tus fuerzas".* — Mc 12, 29-30

Worship Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Schedule

Mon., Tues., Wed., and Thurs.: Mass

Fri.: Communion Service

First Friday of the month: Mass

All at 8:30 a.m.

Rosary Devotion

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM

Sacraments

Reconciliation - Saturday 3:30 p.m.

Baptism

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 2:00 p.m. Required Baptismal preparation on the 2nd Tues. at 7:30 p.m. Call Deacon Tom to register.

Marriage

Please contact the Pastor 6 months in advance.

Parish Office Hours

Mon.-Fri.: 9:00am-4:00pm

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Note from the Pastor



Requiescat in Pace R.I.P

October is the month of the rosary. What a beautiful month. The leaves turn, the air is crisp and football rules. November is the month of the dead. Oh dear, oh dear, what do we do with November?

We remember. We remember those who have "gone before us marked with the sign of faith." We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles, brothers, sisters and friends. We are, however, beginning to forget. And it is imperative to remember.

Last Friday, All Souls Day, our bereavement ministry called together all those who have lost a loved one this last year to remember. Candles were lit, prayers were said, Mass was celebrated for all who were buried from Mary Queen. But one day is not enough time to remember so we have the entire month. In the back of our church is the Book of the Dead in which we can write the names of those loved ones who now see God face to face and also to remember that we one day will join them. And there's the rub.

As much as we love them, we don't want to join them. I want to live. How long? Forever. Oh, we say that we would be happy to die at 90 until we turn 89 and then we want to up it to 93. What is both amazing and frightening is that we have the technology to keep the body alive that long. Or longer. I often tell our children who are sometimes frightened that they are not to worry. Most likely they can expect to live to be 100 or more. Is that enough? It depends.

There was a time, and not too long ago, when death was considered an integral part of life. But when I ask people in their 80's and 90's today if they thought that they would live this long, almost always they say "no." When they were children their aunts and uncles were dead at 60 or 65. The scenario was often the same. One would get sick, call the family around the bedside and make their amends. All would keep vigil for a while and then they would die. It was a pretty natural process. Read Leo Tolstoy's, *Death of*

Ivan Illich, to see how it was done at its best. Today, sadly, there doesn't seem to be a "best practice" for dying. Something is amiss and wrong.

And it goes wrong in that period between, "I'm just fine," and waking up and seeing the Lord eyeball to eyeball and saying, "Hello Jesus!" Most of us want to go to bed perfectly healthy and wake up dead. I've seen that happen only once with my ersatz "grandmother" who lived next door to me when I was a child. At 97, she came down the stairs from her bedroom, lay on the living room couch, crossed her arms, closed her eyes and died. That, however, is a long way from ventilators, and diseases that can be elongated to last seemingly forever. And how long did I say I wanted to live?

Our technology seems to be moving at supersonic speeds. And yet, sadly, in matters of the soul we seem to be going not forward but backwards. As a matter of fact, when it comes to 'soul knowledge', our grandmothers and grandfathers were light years ahead of us. Living close to the rhythms of nature, they understood the rhythms of life. They knew there was a time for everything under the sun, a time to be born... a time to die. And dying always means letting go, and letting go is *always* an act of faith.

Death is an integral part of life. It is not the end of life. In recent years we have made death the ultimate obscenity. We talk about it in euphemisms (they passed away) we cover it up with makeup (doesn't he look like himself) and we spend our entire life savings in the last three months in order to live one month longer. Why? We want to live! Forever. And so we shall.

There is only one way that can happen. And we as Christians know how. There is only one way and that is the way through. If we want to choose the fullness of life, we can only get there through death. It is God's way of things and His Son has shown us the way. He is the Way. Do you believe it? Are you willing to follow?

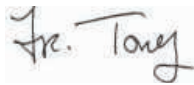


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Note from the Pastor (cont.)

November is the month of the dead. It is a good month to remember those who have gone before us. It is an excellent month for us to contemplate our own death. I am totally convinced that no one ever begins living until they come to terms with their death. It is not morbid, it's mortal. And we are created to be immortal mortals.

In Jesus, Who Showed Us the Way Through,



Parish News



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

This year we have adopted 25 families for our Thanksgiving Food Drive. The Food Drive will be held the weekend of November 10 and 11. We are in need of the following items; canned soup, vegetables, fruit, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, baking items, jello, pudding, potatoes, rice, prepared foods, spaghetti, pasta, juices, coffee, tea, paper towels, toilet tissue, Kleenex, dish soap, laundry soap, toothpaste, deodorant and Dominick's and Jewel Gift Certificates so that the families can purchase turkeys, ham or other meat for their Thanksgiving Dinners.

We want to thank you for your generosity in the past and we appreciate whatever you can do to help out this year. Many families are suffering because of loss of jobs and we hope to make their Thanksgiving Holiday special for them. We will be sorting the food on Tuesday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m. If you can spare a few hours to help us fix the Thanksgiving Baskets, we would really appreciate your help. Please give Sheila a call at (630) 833-6657 and let her know if you would like to volunteer to help sort the food. God Bless! Thank you for helping us help those in need.

Calendar



CALENDAR OF EVENTS NOVEMBER 4 - NOVEMBER 11

Sunday, November 4, 2012

Daylight Saving Time Ends

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass
 10:40 AM - 11:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word in Room 2-3
 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM CRHP (Men) in Conf. Room
 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Baptisms in Church

Monday, November 5, 2012

8:30 AM MQH Mass
 9:00 AM - 7:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration in Church
 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM CRHP (Men) in Room 13

Tuesday, November 6, 2012

Election Voting in Mary's Gathering Place

8:30 AM MQH Mass
 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry in Room 4-5
 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Gospel Mark Part II in Conf. Room
 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Building Grounds in Conf. Room
 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Gospel Mark Part II in Room 13

Wednesday, November 7, 2012

8:30 AM MQH Mass
 3:15 PM - 8:00 PM RE Classes (Pre Advent Reconciliation)
 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Gospel Mark Part II in Conf. Room

Thursday, November 8, 2012

DEADLINE BULLETIN ARTICLES NOVEMBER 18, 2012

8:30 AM MQH Mass

Friday, November 9, 2012

8:30 AM Communion Service

Saturday, November 10, 2012

3:30 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM MQH Mass

Sunday, November 11, 2012

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM MQH Mass
 9:30 AM - 10:20 AM RCIA in Room 13
 10:40 AM - 11:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word in Room 2-3

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN COMING TO A CHURCH NEAR YOU

And I hope it is dear to you, too, for it is we (strange English, no?) our own Mary Queen. Every year at this time we recommit to the Lord our tithe of our time, talent and treasure. This year we will be seeking first time committers (as opposed to commuters) and for the already committed to consider ParishPay. How do I return to the Lord for all of His blessings? Next weekend we'll tell you.

Parish News

*Mary Queen of Heaven
Parish
13th Annual
“Evening Under the Stars”*



*Alta Villa Banquets
Friday November 9, 2012
Auction | Dinner Dance*

*6:30 pm - Dinner at 7:30 pm
Cash Bar
\$50 Ticket Donation
per person*

Invite your relatives and friends
to join this event!

All proceeds from this event will be used to help parishioners who are in need and other families in our area with rental assistance, electric, gas and water bills. Assistance will also be given for doctor bills, medicine bills and car repairs. These funds are not given without proof of need. Thanks for helping us help others who are less fortunate.



Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, articles for bulletins for the month of November and December will have the following deadlines:

For Bulletin On	Articles Due by Noon
Sunday, November 18	Thursday, November 8
Sunday, November 25	Wednesday, November 14
Sunday, December 2	Wednesday, November 21

Thank you for your cooperation.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Come and see Jesus in His Eucharistic presence during our next day of Adoration on **Monday, November 5**, from after morning Mass until 7:00 p.m. when we close the day with Benediction. Come for Benediction too! Sign-up is in the back of church. You are welcome to “adopt an hour”. Questions? Please call **Kay Diggins(630-530-7214)** or **Rose Wilkes (630-833-7238)**.

Religious Education News



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

On Wednesday, November 7, all students in Grades 3 through Confirmation Prep will have an opportunity to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for Advent. This will take place during class time. All home school families are welcome to join us at 3:30, 5:30, or 7:00 p.m. in church.

Confirmation Prep Families: All Confirmation candidates, parents, and if possible, their sponsors are to attend a meeting with Fr. Tony in church on **Wednesday**, November 14 at 6:45 p.m. Please call us if there is an emergency which prohibits your attendance.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, November 17 at 10:30 a.m. in church. Children and their families are to be in attendance. If for some reason, you cannot make this date, please call the REO.

Reminder to all RE families: As the cold & flu season descends upon us, please keep your children home if they are ill.

For more information on any of the above, please contact the REO, (630) 832-8962 or email at mqhmawoods@sbcglobal.net.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2012

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Presider	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Lector	B. Dunn	K. Sutkus	T. Kowalski
Eucharistic Ministers	J. Duprey (S) H. Todd (C) B. Eadon B. Lawlor G. Los G. Los S. Pingatore	M. Grozik (S) M. Kelly (C) N. Williamson T. Nanak T. Sabel K. Vicary	T. Kevil (S) K. Gusloff (C) T. Gusloff P. Mason P. Twardowski R. Marro R. Melendez M. Murray
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 **Church Support**

Collection Totals for: Sunday, October 21, 2012	
Adults	\$7,068.76
Parish Pay	\$3,881.31
Children	\$32.38
Collection Total	\$10,982.45

168 parishioner envelopes were used.
 137 parishioners - Parish Pay.

Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity.

 **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, November 4, 2012

8:30 AM † Gerald Wilkes
 10:30 AM † Edward Poremba

Monday, November 5, 2012

8:30 AM † Patricia Timothy

Tuesday, November 6, 2012

8:30 AM † Della Rose Schroedl

Wednesday, November 7, 2012

8:30 AM † Judge Fred Carr
 † Lauretta Vero

Thursday, November 8, 2012

8:30 AM † Mary and John Taychman

Friday, November 9, 2012

8:30 AM Communion Service

Saturday, November 10, 2012

4:30 PM † Dolores Poremba

Sunday, November 11, 2012

8:30 AM † Sarah Taschetta
 10:30 AM † Helena Giryn
 † Shirley Sargent Harrell

† indicates person is deceased

Readings for the Week of November 4, 2012

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34
 Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14
 Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24
 Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33
 Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10
 Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/
 Jn 2:13-22
 Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15
 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/
 Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Prayer List

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Dallas Barker
 Mary Hagerty
 Mary Kauck
 Avery Laws
 Ramero Martinez
 Kevin Nolan
 Gary Regan
 Dianne Sierak
 Johnny Weiger
 Dennis White



Please call the Rectory to add a name to our Parish Prayer List.



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