

## Bringing the 2009 DPAA to Closure at MQH Parish

MQH Parish is preparing to kick off the 2010 Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal.

However, before we kick off the new DPAA, let's take a look at how we did last year as we bring the 2009 DPAA to a close in the upcoming weeks. *The final billing for the 2009 DPAA commitments will go out this month.*

Overall, our parish's pledge fulfillment rate is extraordinary! Roughly 94% of the 2009 DPAA dollars pledged end up being fulfilled. However, there is one area of concern – **unfulfilled pledges.**

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21 households that pledged over \$6,000 made no payments whatsoever.

15 households that pledged appear to have stopped making payments resulting in an additional \$4,000 deficit.

**Total amount of unfulfilled pledges will amount to over \$10,000 for MQH for the 2009 DPAA.**

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At times, the financial situation of a family can change drastically and financial commitments have to be reexamined. Please know that what is key here is **COMMUNICATION**. **A simple and confidential phone call to the pastor is all that is requested if fulfilling a pledge is no longer possible.**

Why is this important? Simple. Father Wurth and the Finance Council made financial plans for the parish and the parish school based upon a dollar amount parishioners indicated they would give to the 2009 DPAA. When pledges are not fulfilled for whatever reason, last-minute restructuring and reprioritization become necessary. Needless to say, this can be nerve-wracking for parish leadership. *At the end of the day, a loss of an expected and committed \$10,000 can wreak havoc on a parish our size.*

Sometimes, things simply “fall through the cracks” and we forget. Please take this correspondence as a gentle reminder that fulfilling pledges is very important to the wellbeing of our MQH Parish family. Reducing the 2009 DPAA deficit of \$10,000 would be a great launching pad for a successful 2010 campaign.

**PLEASE MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO FULFILL ANY PLEDGES TO THE 2009 DPAA DURING MARCH.**

If you have any questions about your 2009 DPAA pledge, please call Lori Spencer at the parish office for any specific pledge questions or contact Fr. Wurth if you are one of the 36 households with an unfulfilled pledge. All communication will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Mary, Queen of Heaven parishioners are extraordinary people who give generously of themselves for the mission of Jesus and His Church. May God bless every family of this parish!

## CATHOLIC EDUCATION

### Children's Stewardship

82 envelopes were turned in on the February 27/28 weekend for a total offering of **\$42.51**. Time and Talent: I took money out of my piggy bank and put it in my Operation Rice Bowl; I worked at the fish fry; I prayed the rosary; I did the dishes; I helped with laundry.

### Kards 4 Kids

Romantic comedy? Sci-fi thriller? Classic? Whatever kind of movie you and yours like, just add a delicious pizza and it's always a great stay at home Date Night!! Stop by the narthex table for your Blockbuster rental card and pick your favorite pizza place - Jetts, Pizza Hut, Papa John's, Dewey's, or Fazoli's! Enjoy!

### Market Day

SAVE on SEAFOOD SELECTIONS. Consider purchasing your Lenten meal through Market Day and support our school. Remember, there's no fish fry on Good Friday. Spring Freequent BuyerR -- Start Qualifying Today! Make two purchases of \$40\* between February and April. Then, place a third order of \$40\* in May to receive a free Mite 'N' Mighty stool at your May sale.\*See order form for details. Order online by 11PM CST on Saturday, March 13. To order by phone or if you have any questions, call Susan Rice at 525-0589 or Mary Cleary at 689-0768. Pick-up is on Thursday, March 18, from 6:30 - 7:30PM.

### School Field Trips

If you are planning to attend a field trip with your child during April or May, please be current in the safe environment training, VIRTUS. Contact Jenny at the parish office if you have any questions.

### Virtus Training

If you are in the VIRTUS Program, please check your account to verify you are in compliance. Anyone who has experienced sexual misconduct by a cleric, employee, religious or volunteer of the Diocese of Covington is asked to contact **Ms. Margie Schack**, diocesan victim's assistance coordinator (859) 392-1515. Professional assistance and pastoral support will be provided in confidentiality and with respect. A copy of the "Diocesan Policies and Procedures for Addressing Sexual Misconduct" is available by contacting the Chancery, (859) 392-1510.

### MQH Partnership Pledge and Financial Aid

The due date for filing for financial aid is April 15<sup>th</sup>. Financial aid is distributed on a first come, first serve basis. Please file before the due date and provide the required documentation on a timely basis. REMEMBER: Parishioner status is re-evaluated each year. You must be attending Mass at MQH and using your Sunday collection envelopes to qualify as an active parishioner. If you have questions, please contact Lori Spencer at 525-6909.



*Mary, Queen of Heaven Inspire Vocations in Our Parish*  
*The Apostolate of Prayer for Vocations statue is missing.*  
*Whoever has it please contact the parish.*



**Fasting** requires a Catholic from the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 59<sup>th</sup> birthday to reduce the amount of food eaten from normal. The Church defines this as one meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed the main meal in quantity. Such fasting is obligatory on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. **Abstinence** requires a Catholic 14 years of age until death to abstain from eating meat on Fridays in honor of the Passion of Jesus on Good Friday. On the Fridays outside of Lent, Catholics in the US may substitute a penitential or even a charitable practice of their own choosing.

## EVENTS IN OUR PARISH

### International Needs Collection

On a recent Sunday morning, in a small town in Belarus there was a tremendous stir. Hundreds of people came to witness an extraordinary event...the consecration of a new Catholic Church. Decades before, a Catholic Church had stood there. During the Soviet era, however, it was shut down and it eventually collapsed. During the midst of this tremendous celebration, one woman cried, "I am thinking about my parents, and the day I walked by here as a little girl. There was nothing but a pile of ruins. I asked them what it was. They said a church. For years and years, I thought a church meant a mass of rubble." Miracles like this happen every day through the work of the Catholic organizations sponsored by our Diocesan International Mission Needs Collection. Your one gift will bring the hope and the love of Jesus to the whole human family through Catholic Relief Services, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, the Holy Land Collection, the Church in Latin America and the Pontifical Mission Aid Societies. Please give generously.

### Fish Fry

Three down three to go! Thank you for volunteering and supporting our fish fry! We appreciate all of you. Desserts are always needed. Please drop them off at the school on Thursday or Friday afternoon. Clean up help is a must. We need about 8 more volunteers. Please contact Christy at [christy.munyon@insightbb.com](mailto:christy.munyon@insightbb.com) if you can help in any way.

### New Appointment

Father Wurth is pleased to announce that parishioner Bob Fulkerson has accepted a three-year appointment to Finance Council. Bob has been serving on Parish Council. Thank you Bob for serving your parish well.

**2009 DPAA**

We have received our February 2009 DPAA rebate check from the Diocese in the amount of \$6,273.65. This brings our total rebate to date to \$53,611.45. Thanks go to everyone continuing to pay on their 2009 pledge.

### Celebrate Marriage

Any couple celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary in 2010 is invited to join the parish Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at the 5:30PM Mass for a special blessing. Future Anniversary Masses are: April 25<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00AM Mass for those couples celebrating 15 years and May 15<sup>th</sup> at the 4:00PM Mass for those couples celebrating 20 years of marriage. Contact Terri Brass with your information at 331-4115 or [mghweddinganniversary@yahoo.com](mailto:mghweddinganniversary@yahoo.com)

### R.C.I.A. Class

Are you an adult in the parish looking for some instruction on your faith? Come to an R.C.I.A. class! Classes are held Tuesday evenings at 6:30PM in the school library. The next class will be on Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> and the topic will be, "The Cross and Easter Glory." All adults are welcome.

### Thanks Be To God

George and Mary Rogers would like to thank everyone who has been praying for their intentions. God Bless You!

### Men's Retreat

Fr. Matt Cushing is going to be the Retreat Master for the men's parish retreat at Marydale Retreat Center, March 12-14. His theme: "St. Joseph - A Real Man". The cost is \$125.00 and includes 2 overnights and 5 meals. Contact: Larry Kleisinger Email: [LK1@fuse.net](mailto:LK1@fuse.net) Phone/Cell: 859/394-2213 for more information.

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

### Seminary Live-In

On April 15 – 17, 2010, the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio, and the Office of Vocations, will host a College Live-In for young men who are juniors and seniors in high school, and college students who are interested in knowing more about seminary life. There is no charge for the weekend. For more information, call Rev. Eduardo Navares, Vice Rector of the College, at 614-985-2240 or Fr. John Heisler, Dean of Men, at 614-985-2256.

### 2010 TMC Lecture Series

On Thursday, March 25, 2010, Thomas More College will host the 2010 Hillenmeyer Lecture, featuring Fr. George Kilcourse, Professor of Theology at Bellarmine University. Fr. Kilcourse will be speaking on the topic: *Flannery O'Connor's Catholic Vision: Human Imperfection as 'the Raw Material of the Good.'* The lecture will take place at 7:00PM in Steigerwald Hall, located in the Holbrook Student Center at TMC. The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 344-3344.

## PERMANENT DIACONATE

### Parishioner Larry Kleisinger will be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate on April 17, 2010.

### DEACONS: Ministers of Service – The Liturgy of the Eucharist (Part 9 of 10)

The deacon, or one of the other ministers, can prepare the altar; then the deacon receives the gifts of bread and wine from the faithful, and prepares the gifts at the altar or credence table. As part of this preparation, the deacon pours a little bit of water into the wine, saying silently, "By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity." During the Eucharistic Prayer, the deacon will kneel from the time of the epiclesis (the invocation of the Holy Spirit upon the bread and wine) until after the words of consecration. At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer, the deacon elevates the chalice while the priest elevates the Host and sings the words of the doxology, "Through Him, with Him, in Him..."

## FOR THE HEALTH OF IT

The Health Ministry is very active in our parish. Here is a summary of 2009: 441 BP checks, 36 Blood donors, 3 organ donor cards signed, 400 informational cards on organ donation, monthly bulletin health updates. Thank you Health Ministry for keeping MQH "in the pink!"

St. Elizabeth's Mobile Mammography Van is going to be at St. Henry District High School on March 11, 2010.

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**Parish Council**, Monday, March 8, 6:30PM in the Library  
**Lenten Evening Mass**, Wednesday, March 10, 6:30PM  
**Pro-Life Essay Banquet**, Thursday, March 11, 6:30PM in the MPR  
**Maintenance Committee**, Thursday, March 11, 6:30PM in the Cafeteria  
**Fish Fry, Friday**, March 12, 4:00PM in the MPR  
**SVDP**, Saturday, March 13, 9:00AM in the NMR  
**Women's Prayer Group**, Saturday, March 13, 9:30AM in the Library



### Did You Know....

**31 weeks** This week, our baby measures over 16 inches long. He weighs about 3.3 pounds (try carrying four navel oranges) and is heading into a growth spurt. He can turn his head from side to side, and his arms, legs, and body are beginning to plump out as needed fat accumulates underneath his skin. Please continue to pray for your baby!



## THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**The Offertory Collection from February 28, 2010**

635 envelopes used – Total Collection **\$36,595.51**

This includes EFT and credit cards

**Blessed Mother Shrine** total collection **\$50.00**

**Adopt A Student** total collection **\$85.00**

**St. Vincent de Paul** total collection **\$85.00**

**Debt Reduction** total collection **\$53.00**

*“For three years I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down! Why should it exhaust the soil?” Luke 13:1-9*



**SWEET HEART OF JESUS, WATCH OVER THE HEARTS OF OUR PRIESTS**

- Mar 7 - Bishop Roger J. Foys
- Mar 8 - Msgr. Donald Enzweiler
- Mar 9 - Rev. Douglas Lauer
- Mar 10 - Rev. Damian Hils
- Mar 11 - Rev. Paul Berschied
- Mar 12 - Rev. William Hinds
- Mar 13 - Msgr. John Schulte



**CARE FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH**

Please pray for our sick and homebound: Vera Stortz, Virginia & Howard Schmidt, Jean Schumer, Jack Haas, Kate Bedinghaus, Tom Ober, Nolan Kenter, Kay Robinson, Ruth Jones, Pat Callahan, Doris Juhl, Hal Hampton, Angeline Barth, Bill Voss, Roy Brooks, Joann Kleier, Betty Svec, Jean Doellman, Nancy Morrison, Douglas Karson, Toby Brandon, Steve Teleky, Marty Lindau, Stanley Werbrich, Helen Callahan, Rosemary Schwab, Frieda Stein, Larry Tracy, Jean Bryson and Lucy Klein. This ministry will provide weekly Holy Communion to you when needed. Call Nancy Brewer, 341-2455 if you or someone you know is interested in this ministry.

**Cleaning Team for March 13, 2010**

- Lori Spencer
- Leslie Garcia
- Karen Kleisinger
- Tina Ryan
- Amy Lampone
- Marge Retzler
- Tracy Whitney

SEE YOU AT THE FISH FRY!



**THE MASS CALENDAR AND INTENTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK**

<b>Saturday, March 6</b>	<b>Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
8:00AM	Glenn Enzweiler
<b>Saturday March 6</b>	<b>Vigil of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>
4:00PM	Al & Hilda Detherage
5:30PM	Arthur & Ann Nicely
<b>Sunday, March 7</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>
8:30AM	Dolores Renaker
10:00AM	People of the Parish
11:30AM	Donald Schumer
<b>Monday, March 8</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b>
8:00AM	Leo Mathis
<b>Tuesday, March 9</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b>
8:00AM	Kathy Burger
<b>Wednesday, March 10</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b>
8:00AM	Chrissy Nicely
9:26AM SHDHS	Tom Schinner
6:30PM	Mary Ann Marshall
<b>Thursday, March 11</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b>
7:15AM SHDHS	William Gentrup
8:00AM	Intentions of the Donovan Family
	David Conrad
<b>Friday, March 12</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b>
8:00AM	Rita Karlosky
<b>Saturday, March 13</b>	<b>Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
8:00AM	Jack Williams
<b>Saturday, March 13</b>	<b>Vigil of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>
4:00PM	West & Feldmann Families
5:30PM	Living & Deceased Members of the Neihoff & Wurth Families
<b>Sunday, March 14</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>
8:30AM	People of the Parish
10:00AM	Tom Creamer
11:30AM	Ben Luken

**OTHER LITURGICAL/SACRAMENTAL EVENTS**

- **Morning Prayer**  
*Weekday mornings at 7:30AM during Lent*
- **Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament**  
*Every Thursday after 8:00AM Mass until 5:00PM*
- **Stations of the Cross**  
*Every Thursday Evening at 5:00PM during Lent*
- **Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament**  
*Every Thursday Evening following Stations*

Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish

Clergy:

Rev. Richard W. Wurth, Pastor

Rev. Matt Cushing, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Thomas Dushney

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Stewardship Council: Dan Moser 341-8732  
Finance Council: Jerry Cook 283-5047  
Board of Total Catholic Education: Tony Vonderhaar 647-7925

**Committees and Activities in the Parish**

Athletic Director Steve Lee 918-5937  
Bereavement Committee Nancy Brewer 341-2455  
Boy Scouts Mark Barth 283-0833  
CCD Director Deacon Dushney 525-6909  
CCD Ass't Coordinator Bonnie Hampton 586-5565  
Communion to the Homebound Nancy Brewer 341-2455  
Community Service Dottie Weis 331-9198  
Cub Scouts Terry McFarland 512-6340  
Cursillo Jenny Kunst 727-0701  
Festival Chairman Gary Fabre 525-9724  
Girl Scouts Tina Ryan 689-9533  
God's Word for Children Keri Schroder 586-5773  
Health Ministry Diane Enzweiler 331-3340  
Knights of Columbus Chris Mandic 689-4744  
Liturgical Schedule Susan Sassin 342-6526  
Maintenance Advisory Dale Holocher 341-0114  
Market Day Susan Rice 525-0589  
Men's Retreat Captain Larry Kleisinger 534-5007  
Music Director  
Prayer Line Patty Kelley 384-8831  
PTO Linda Allen 344-0255  
Queen's Service Frieda Stein 342-9841  
Respect Life/Family Life Carol Dushney 342-7066  
R.C.I.A. Deacon Dushney 525-6909  
Spirit Wear Christy Munyon 513-312-4535  
St. Vincent de Paul Ed Vogel 322-5860  
Ushers Joe Marusin 331-1463  
Welcoming / Hospitality  
Women's Prayer Group Barb Vogel 322-5546  
Women's Retreat Captain Sheila Gramaglia 812-537-3923

**Major Leadership Councils**

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism** Contact Fr. Matt Cushing one month in advance.  
Celebrated on the First Sunday of the month.

**Confirmation:** Contact Deacon Tom Dushney for information.

**Holy Orders:** Contact Fr. Greg Bach (859)392-1500 for information on priesthood and diaconate.

**Marriage:** Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the intended date.

**Penance:** Confessions heard every Saturday 3:00-3:30PM.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the Rectory before the First Friday of the month.

**Sunday Obligation Masses**

Saturday Vigil Masses – 4:00PM and 5:30PM

Sunday Morning – 8:30AM, 10:00AM and 11:30AM

**Weekday Masses**

Monday through Saturday – 8:00AM

**Holy Days of Obligation**

Vigil on the Eve Prior – 6:30PM

Holy Day – 9:00AM and 6:30PM

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**AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL FROM CHECKING ACCOUNT**

I authorize Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish to withdraw \$ \_\_\_\_\_ automatically from my checking account beginning in \_\_\_\_\_ (month) for \_\_\_\_\_ months (*Please specify the number of months. This pledge period will expire in December, 2010.*) Withdrawals will take place on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**I have attached a voided check.** Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**CREDIT CARD CONTRIBUTIONS**

I authorize a one-time charge or \_\_\_\_\_ equal monthly charges to my MasterCard Visa Discover account to fulfill my pledge of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year. (*This pledge period will expire December, 2010.*)

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_ 3-Digit Security Code (on back of card) \_\_\_\_\_

*The Parish will continue to send offertory envelopes to you on a bi-monthly basis so that you will have envelopes for the special collections and holy day collections. Your weekly envelopes have a box for you to check that you contribute by EFT or Credit Card. Please check that box and continue to drop your envelope in the basket each week. This helps us to know how many parishioners are actually attending Mass at Mary, Queen of Heaven Church. Thank you for your cooperation.*