

QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS BASILICA

SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2019

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*The community of Queen of All Saints is committed to Christ,
sharing God's gifts and building the Church together,
through word, worship and service.*

FROM FATHER SIMON



For almost a year now, you will have noticed the scaffolding around the bell tower and are probably wondering how extensive are these repairs and when will they be completed.

In October 2017, after a couple of days of heavy rainfall, we noticed water on the north-east wall of the choir loft. Although there was water on both the north and east walls of the choir loft, there was no water on the ceiling tiles. A visual inspection in December 2017 revealed that there were cracks in the mortar joints on the west and north sides of the bell tower.

Upon the advice of the archdiocesan engineer and the structural engineers from Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates (WJE), we conducted an extensive investigation of the problem. We performed a water test and doused the west side of the bell tower with water and in less than five minutes noticed water coming in on the northeast walls of the choir loft. We also made openings around the bell tower and in the roof to further examine the state and integrity of the structure and look for any potential problems.

The report of WJE revealed cracks at the corners of the bell tower. Some of the exterior stone cladding on the tower is displaced and the underlying brick masonry has suffered freeze-thaw deterioration. The scope of work proposed by WJE addresses the problem of water infiltration and securing the structural integrity of the bell tower.

It was recommended that this work be done in two phases. The first phase would focus on arresting water infiltration into the structure. This would involve removing part of the slate roof to erect scaffolding and perform masonry repairs on the bell tower as well as the cricket between the roof and the bell tower. This phase was completed by Thanksgiving last year. Since then we have noticed there has been no water infiltration into the choir loft, the area most noticeably affected by this issue.



rotted decking — part of cricket



finished cricket assembly



rebuilding the cricket assembly

FROM FATHER SIMON

The second phase of the work would begin in early spring of 2019 and would include the necessary masonry build as well as grinding and repointing of the entire bell tower, replacing spalled or cracked lannon stone, patching and repairing limestone and fixing the lightning protection system. As this work continued, we also discovered due to corrosion over time, the base of the cross at the top of the spire and the sphere below it were both split.



spalled lannon stone



freeze-thaw brick backup masonry



the top of the spire shows split sphere (left) and a split cross (right)

The structural engineers from WJE have advised us to clean and coat the steel with an epoxy that would prevent future corrosion, fabricate and install a new sphere made of a thicker gauge copper, remove, repair and reinstall the cross. You may have noticed the cross missing at the moment. We hope to finish work on the spire by the beginning of this coming October and finish all repairs to the bell tower by the end of November.



removal of the cross

While all of this can be overwhelming, I assure you that we have extensively investigated the problem, as well as relied on the reports of the structural engineers, the advice and support of the finance council and the Archdiocese to arrive at the conclusion that it is prudent and necessary to resolve these issues sooner than later. As responsible stewards, it is our duty and honor to preserve, protect and enhance what we have received so that future generations may give glory to God in a place worthy of the honor of the designation 'Basilica of Queen of All Saints'.

Blessings!!

SAVE THE DATE

1929
2019

OUR 90th ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION MASS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27
11:00 A.M.

CELEBRANT
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PARISH NEWS

RCIA Inquiry

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

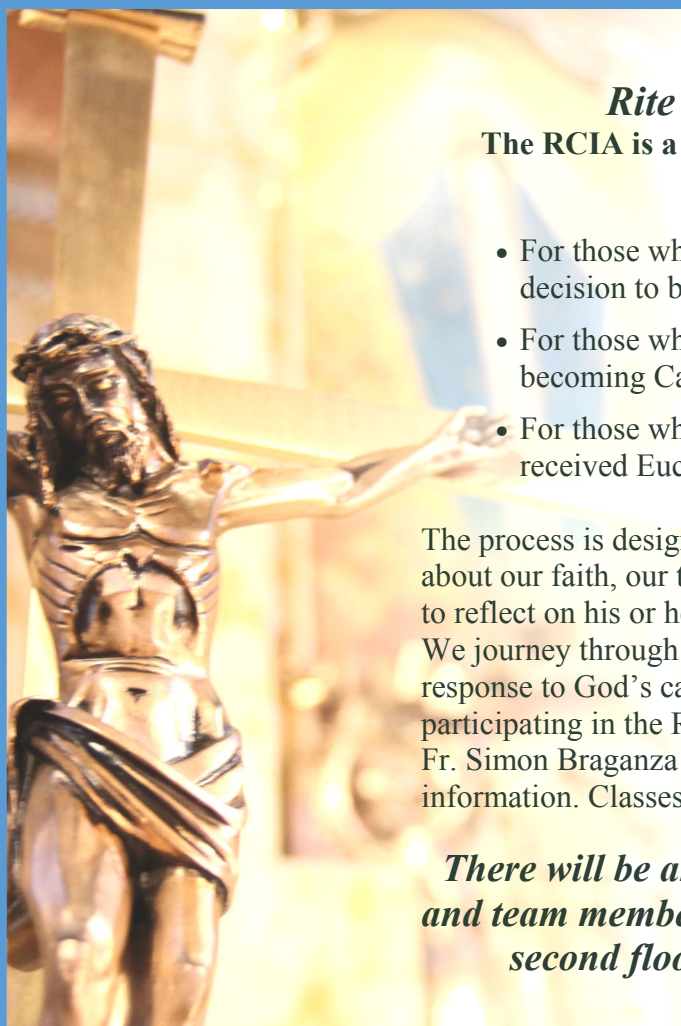
The RCIA is a process for those considering becoming Catholic.

Specifically, it is:

- For those who are not baptized and are in the process of making a decision to become Catholic
- For those who were baptized in another faith and are thinking of becoming Catholic
- For those who were baptized Roman Catholic and have not yet received Eucharist or Confirmation

The process is designed to assist those interested in Catholicism, to learn about our faith, our traditions, and our celebrations. Each person is invited to reflect on his or her own relationship with God and the faith community. We journey through this process together, assisting each other in our response to God's call. If you or someone you know is interested in participating in the RCIA, please call (773) 736-6060, to speak with either Fr. Simon Braganza (ext. 234) or Fr. Walter Cheboi (ext. 238) for more information. Classes are on Thursday evenings beginning in September.

There will be an initial meet-and-greet for inquiring adults and team members today, Sunday, after the 11am Mass in the second floor meeting room of the Benedict Center.



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Sunday, September 8



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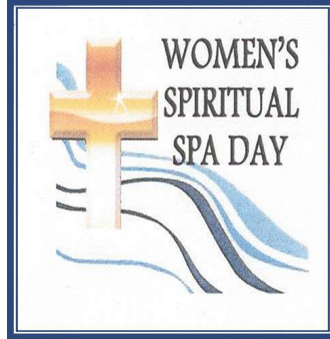
Please let Paul Scavone know of any conflicts for the months of October, November and December.

Please call the rectory at 773-736-6060 or e-mail, paul.scavone@qasparish.org.

We need this information by Wednesday, September 11th. Thank you very much!



PARISH NEWS



**This Thursday
September 12th**

Morning Session: 9:30am to 12:30pm

Evening Session: 6:30pm to 9:00pm

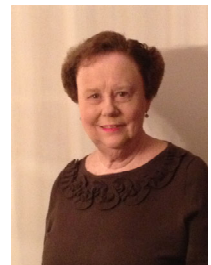
(Each session contains the same material)

*A Tapestry of Grace...
Letting Go, Letting Be, and Letting Come*

Presented by Sister Mary Ruth Broz

Using the metaphor of weaving, we will glean spiritual lessons that are embedded in the fabric of our ordinary lives and our world today. Those who gather will be encouraged to hold the many threads of their own tapestry and listen for how the Spirit calls each of us to “let be, let go, and let come” as important ways of making room for a God of mystery and ushering in a new season as summer comes to an end!

Mary Ruth Broz is a Sister of Mercy and ministers as a retreat facilitator and spiritual director throughout the Chicago area. She presently works out of the Administrative Center of the Sisters of Mercy on Central Park Avenue in Chicago. She has an M.Div. degree from the Jesuit School of Theology and a Doctor of Ministry Degree from St. Mary of the Lake University in Mundelein, Ill. She is also the author of the book *Midwives of an Unnamed Future: A Spirituality for Women in Times of Unprecedented Change*.



Felician Sisters Convent
3800 W. Peterson Ave.
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Cost is \$10 per session. Please register with Mary Kelly at mpkell@sbcglobal.net or call, 847-800-5654.
You can also register online at qasparish.org and click on the Women's Spiritual Spa day link.

WALK-INS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

New Choir Season Begins

Fall marks the beginning of a new choir “season” at Queen of All Saints. If you’ve ever thought about singing with the choir this is a great time to give it a try.

Basilica Choir

Rehearses each Wednesday beginning at 7:30pm and sings for the Sunday 11am Mass.

Third Sunday Choir

If you’re tight on time, we have a “Third Sunday Choir” which is part of the Basilica choir. The Third Sunday Choir rehearses on the first and third Wednesdays of the month and sings once a month at the 11am Mass on the third Sunday of each month.

Questions? Contact Ken Sotak at the rectory, 773-736-6060, or drop an email to ken.sotak@qasparish.org.



Oktoberfest

Sunday, September 29th

1 to 4pm on the basilica lawn

Join your fellow parishioners for an afternoon of food, kids games and other fall-themed fun! Hosted by the Men’s Club, Women’s Auxiliary, QASPA and FACA!



San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena

The Filipino-American-Community-Association invites all to participate in our annual novena to the first Filipino saint.

September 20 & 21, 23—27 at 6:00pm in the Benedict Center Chapel. Sunday, September 22 at 1:30pm in the Benedict Center Chapel.

Saturday, September 28 at 7:15am in the basilica, followed by Mass at 8am. Reception to follow.

Religious Education News

Special Catechist Needed

Religious Education is looking for a co-catechist for one of our Tuesday 6th grade classes. A co-catechist works together with another catechist as a team. This position is perfect for people who want to teach but are unsure of leading a class by themselves. It also allows for a more flexible volunteer schedule. Please prayerfully consider becoming a part of this amazing ministry.

Please note

Our 1st grade on Tuesday afternoons is at capacity and therefore is closed for registrations. Our Saturday morning 1st grade class still has availability.

Save the Date - September 15th

Catechetical Sunday is next weekend! Queen of All Saints will have a special commissioning Mass for all of our catechists who participate in Religious Education, QAS School, Youth Ministry, RCIA, SPRED, Baptismal Prep and CLOW. If you are a catechist for the parish in one of these ministries, please join us at the 11am Mass on the 15th with a reception to follow in the cafeteria.

Registration

Registration for the 2019-2020 RE school year is still open! The QASRE program begins at kindergarten and goes through eighth grade. Our program focuses on building Christ’s disciples who will go out and glorify the Lord by their lives. Students wanting to participate in the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation must attend a minimum of two years of Religious Education as per the archdiocesan requirement. First Reconciliation and Communion preparation begins at 1st grade. Confirmation preparation begins at 7th grade.

Information and registration forms can be found on the parish website under the Religious Education tab.

If you have any questions please reach out to the Office of Religious Education via e-mail, qasreoffice@qasparish.org or 773-286-1939.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

A Novena for Healing and Atonement

An initiative of Catholic laity of Vicariate II has united, calling the faithful to address the issues of clergy sexual abuse through prayer and ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Nine evenings of prayer and reflection will be hosted by the parishes to give us an opportunity to walk together in spirit towards reparation, forgiveness and healing. Each of these nights begin at 7pm and will conclude by 8pm.

Saturday, September 21st

Our Lady of Ransom Church
8300 N. Greenwood Avenue, Niles

Sunday, September 22nd

Queen of Angels Church
2330 W. Sunnyside Street, Chicago

Monday, September 23rd

St. Mary's Church
1012 Lake Street, Evanston

Tuesday, September 24th

St. Cornelius Church
5430 W. Foster Avenue, Chicago

Wednesday, September 25th

St. Clement Church
642 W. Deming Place, Chicago

Thursday, September 26th

St. Gertrude Church
6200 N. Glenwood Avenue, Chicago

Friday, September 27th

St. Catherine Laboure Church
3535 Thornwood Avenue, Glenview

Saturday, September 28th

St. Gregory the Great Church
5545 North Paulina Avenue, Chicago

Sunday, September 29th

St. Mary of the Lake Church
4200 North Sheridan Road, Chicago

Call the Vicariate II office, 773-388-8670 for more information or e-mail MBartosic@archchicago.org.

Ministers of Care

Tuesday Evenings, 7 to 9pm

September 24, October 1, 8, 15 & 22

You see them come forward for a blessing at the end of the 9:30am Mass each Sunday. They are your friends and neighbors who give generously of their time and care for our homebound parishioners. Every one of them will attest to the fact that in their ministry they receive more than they give.

Consider joining us as we endeavor to bring communion, comfort and connection to those who cannot be with us.

A new course of formation is being offered entitled *Ministers of Care Formation* which is designed with the person in mind who is interested in taking part in this parish ministry. While each session focuses on a particular aspect of the Ministry of Care, the unifying thread woven throughout is a commitment to help you develop skills and confidence needed to be a source of comfort to those who are sick. Completion of this course qualifies you to receive the Archdiocesan mandate to bring communion to the sick, homebound and hospitalized of your parish.

Sessions will run two hours and will include a talk given by an experienced facilitator accompanied by group discussion and/or an exercise to help you practice a particular skill.

Please join us Tuesday evenings, September 24 through October 22 from 7 to 9pm at St. Benedict Nursing Home, 6930 W. Touhy Avenue, Niles, IL. The cost for the full slate of sessions is \$30 per person, payable to the St. Benedict Chapel Fund. For further information or to register please contact Carole Eipers at ceipers@qasparish.org or 773-736-6060.





STEWARDSHIP

The community of Queen of All Saints is committed to Christ, sharing God's gifts and building the Church together, through word, worship and service.

Stewardship - Understanding our Parish Finances

We rely on three main sources of funds:

Sundays, Holidays, UPP — This is our regular revenue and is by far the largest source of funds to pay for our parish operations. In a sense, this is what “keeps the lights on” by paying for our staff, our routine repairs, maintenance, and the other day-to-day costs of running the parish.

Long-Term Savings — We are blessed with savings resulting from the generosity of the past, including parish and school endowments. The earnings from these accounts is used to supplement our regular revenue to balance the budget and, on occasion, to pay for extraordinary repairs. We have drawn upon our savings deeply to pay for the unanticipated basilica repair costs, including the ceiling project, the bell tower project, and other repairs and now must take steps to replenish those savings. *We will need a significant increase in our Sunday collections to pay ourselves back and restore our savings back to a prudent level.*

Capital Campaign — Our capital campaign drive is aimed at making our older parish buildings (the Benedict Center and the Lemont & Keene Avenue buildings) more suitable for today’s and tomorrow’s needs, including making better use of space for school needs and for the needs of our increasing numbers of lay ministries. *Our final construction projections require us to raise our pledge target from \$5,000,000 to \$6,000,000, and we have already raised \$200,000 of that new target. Please consider how to you can help us reach our new goal.*

We believe that well-informed parish membership deserves an explanation of parish finances. Please be as generous as you can in supporting our parish and the many ways it touches and helps all of us at all times of our lives.

Today’s Readings

“Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.”

- Luke 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His disciples.

Is it time to join your fellow parishioners who have already made the move to electronic giving?

It’s safe, convenient and dependable!

Just go to the parish website, qasparish.org and click on the Give Central logo and follow the prompts.



SUNDAY COLLECTIONS AUGUST 22 TO AUGUST 31, 2019

Donation Type	Amount	Users
Envelopes	\$19,740.56	476
Loose Donations	\$3,519.00	n/a
Electronic Giving	\$6,961.97	173
Total	\$30,221.53	
YTD Total	\$237,114.68	
August 2019	\$115,532.43	
August 2018	\$110,017.40	

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 8th (Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time) - All Sunday Masses will be offered for the people of Queen of All Saints and the benefactors of our endowments for the school and the parish

Monday, September 9th (St. Peter Claver) - School Endowment Fund benefactors, QAS Homebound, George Stegmaier, Estelle E. Sklodowski, Patrick Guinan, Alma & George Brown, Joseph McCarthy, Patrick Brouillette, Sara Testa

Readings: Col 1:24-2:3/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 10th - Deceased members of the QAS Widowed Group, Eileen Stegmaier, Michael Pollard, Jack & Patricia Dollear

Readings: Col 2:6-15/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 11th - Basilica Fund members, Ruth Stegmaier, Fred Stummer, Richard F. Scheuer, Ria Erdelyi, Adam Swierz

Readings: Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 12th (The Most Holy Name of Mary) - Leslie Guderyahn, Charles Hansen, Katherine Hansen, John Hansen, Nadine Zei, Claudia Reardon, Antonio V. Soriano

Readings: Col 3:12-17/Lk 6:27-38

Friday, September 13th (St. John Chrysostom) - Helen & Jerry Martin, Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Guderyahn Sr., Martin Hautzinger, Gloria Bacazi, Danny Martin, Robert Byfield, Corky DeCastro, Stephen Reardon

Readings: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, September 14th (The Exaltation of the Holy Cross) - Jonathon U. Villa, Kolich Sangari, Salvy Monastero, Daniel Kelly, Therese Tirio, Ken & Norma Campagna, Josefina Villa Wells, Donald Wells, Bartholo T. Villa, Jonathan Villa, Sito Villa, Reymaldo M. Gonzalez, Richard F. Scheuer, Orlando Villa Lim, In thanksgiving & memory of the deceased members of the Campagna & Dumayas family, Dominador Madrid

Readings: Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

WE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Jacqueline Lato



QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS BASILICA

Pastoral Staff

Pastor.....	Rev. Simon Braganza
Pastors Emeriti.....	Rev. Msgr. John Pollard Rev. Msgr. Wayne F. Prist
Associate Pastor.....	Rev. Walter Cheboi
Residents.....	Rev. Michael Cronin Rev. Edward D. Grace
Pastoral Associate.....	Dr. Carole Eipers
Director of Religious Education.....	Erika Tate
Director of Music.....	Dr. Kenneth Sotak
Assistant Director of Music.....	Paul Scavone
Youth Minister.....	Morgan O'Leary

Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday.....8:30am-4:00pm

Telephone Numbers

Rectory.....	773-736-6060
Parish FAX.....	773-736-6099
School/Preschool.....	773-736-0567
Religious Education Office.....	773-286-1939

Accounting Office

Business Manager.....	Gerald Farrell
Project Manager.....	Deb Bolash
Accounting Assistant.....	Kate Dombrowski

Rectory Office Staff

Parish Secretaries.....	Pam Hautzinger Michael Jolls Mary Morley
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Buildings and Grounds

Ralph Meschewski, Bobby Brooks, Jonathon Hernandez,
Eric Martinez, Victor Miranda, Ken Skokowski

Queen of All Saints School

Pre K-3 through Grade 8	
Principal.....	Emily Carlson
Administrative Assistant.....	Ida Segreti
School Secretary.....	Janet Santicola

Visit Our Website

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Contact Info

Address.....	6280 N. Sauganash Ave., Chicago, IL 60646
Rectory phone number.....	773-736-6060
Rectory fax number.....	773-736-6099

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil.....	5:00pm
Sunday.....	6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am, 12:30pm

Daily Mass and Rosary

Monday-Friday.....	6:30, 8:30am
Saturday.....	8:00am
Rosary.....	Daily after the 8:30am Mass

Devotions and Holy Day Masses

Holy Hour.....	Monday, 7:00pm
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Please consult the parish bulletin or website for the Holy Day Mass schedule

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday.....After the 8:00 am Mass until all are heard

To Register in the Parish

Please contact the Rectory Office.....773-736-6060

The Sacrament of Baptism

Queen of All Saints rejoices in the incorporation of new members into the Body of Christ through the Sacrament of Baptism. If you are a registered parishioner, please come to the rectory during business hours to schedule your child's baptism. If it is not possible for you to come to the rectory, please call the rectory to make arrangements. The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is celebrated two or three Sundays of the month, depending on the time of year, at 1:30pm. Please call the rectory for the exact schedule. A Baptismal Preparation class for the parents is required. They are held once a month on alternate Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and must also be scheduled in advance. If an adult or a school age child seeks baptism, special arrangements should be made with one of the priests.

The Sacrament of Matrimony

Queen of All Saints helps couples prepare not only for their wedding day, but also for the lifelong commitment of living a Christian marriage. Parishioners of Queen of All Saints Basilica who are baptized and free to marry in the Catholic Church may celebrate their marriage in Queen of All Saints Basilica. Couples from Queen of All Saints seeking marriage in Queen of All Saints Basilica should contact one of the parish priests at least six months prior to their intended date of marriage. The couple must meet with one of the priests before the date for the marriage can be confirmed.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is not just a sacrament for those who are at the point of death. As soon as one of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him or her to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived. Therefore, any member of the faithful who is seriously ill because of sickness or advanced age may properly receive this sacrament.

PARISH NEWS

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Or whoever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight. (Wisdom 9:13-18b)

Psalm: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge. (Psalm 90)

Second Reading: I should have liked to retain him for myself, so that he might serve me on your behalf in my imprisonment for the gospel, but I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary. (Philemon 9-10, 12-17)

Gospel: Other wise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him an say, "This one began to build but did not have resources to finish." (Luke 14:25-33).



CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

Next Sunday, September 15th
5:00pm - Fr. Michael Cronin
6:45am - Fr. Edward Grace
8:00am - Fr. Robert Heidenreich
9:30am - Fr. Walter Cheboi
11:00am - Fr. Simon Braganza
12:30pm - Fr. Walter Cheboi



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