



HOLY FAMILY
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
inviting all to new life in Christ

HOPE

Lent 2018

About Us

Holy Family

Catholic Community
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Fr. Terry Keehan

Pastor

Fr. Richard Jakubik
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Vision Statement

Holy Family Catholic Community invites all to new life in Christ. Our response to God's call is evident through full, conscious and active participation in our community.

Mission Statement

To engage all in the sacramental life through vibrant worship, life-long learning and passionate community.

Core Values

Animated by our faith in God to evangelize, we live the following core values:

- Integrity
- Excellence
- Unity
- Service
- Justice

Welcome to Holy Family

Holy Family Catholic community invites all to new life in Christ. Are you new to Holy Family? Are you considering becoming a registered parishioner? We welcome you to become engaged in carrying out our mission. New members are registered on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month (excluding holidays) immediately following the 9:00 A.M. Mass. Welcome Ministers will be available at the Welcome Desk to walk you through the short registration process. Saint Paul says, "We are the Body of Christ." We look forward to experiencing that reality with you. Fr. Terry Keehan, Pastor

Schedule

Masses

Weekdays:

Monday-Friday	9:00 a.m.
Monday & Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
First Friday of the month	9:00 a.m.
(with Anointing of the Sick)	
First Saturday of the month	9:00 a.m.

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m. (interpreted for the hearing impaired); 11:00 a.m.; 4:00 p.m.

Kid Church - 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 10:15 in the chapel.

Holy Days 7:00a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Assisted Listening Devices available in the Liturgical Life Office for use at Masses.

Eucharistic Adoration

Everyday 6:00 a.m. to Midnight

Reconciliation (Available upon request)

Communal Reconciliation with individual absolution
First Saturday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in chapel)
Individual Reconciliation (in Reconciliation Room)
Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick

Please know that recent hospital privacy laws have significantly limited our knowledge of parishioners who are hospitalized. If you have a loved one who is ill, please contact contact Mimi Ferlita in our Pastoral Care office at 847-907-3425 to request the Anointing of the Sick. The ideal time for anointing is when family is present and not necessarily in the final hours of life. Monthly Anointing of the Sick takes place on the First Friday of the month at 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Sacramental / Formation Ministers

Fr. Charles Bolser Fr. George Kane
Friar Johnpaul Cafiero Fr. Bill Zavaski
Fr. Denis Carneiro
Deacon Dennis Brown, Pastoral Associate

Pastoral Council

e-mail: council@holyfamilyparish.org

Chad Archer	Chair (Deanery Rep)
Jack Shedd	At Large (Pastor)
Fr. Terry Keehan	Pastor (Staff)
Bill Leece	Adult Faith
Luis Gutierrez	At Large (Pastor)
Barb Knuth	At Large (Council)
Andrew Konopka	At Large (Council)
Rick Zanardo	Family Faith
Cattie Tenzillo	Holy Family Academy Staff
Karina Chavez	Academy Parents Rep
Joe Ferlita	Knights of Columbus
Mike Myers	Human Concerns
Bernie Schaeffer	Staff
Pauline Carlson	Teen Faith (Adult Rep)
Anthony Piasecki	Teen Faith (Teen Rep)
Alexandra Posey	Teen Faith (Teen Rep)
Bob Keller	Liturgical Life

Council meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend and listen to the items on the published agenda. If you or your group have an item for discussion, it needs to be submitted in writing to the council chair one week prior to the scheduled meeting.

Finance Council

The Finance Council of Holy Family meets quarterly and its current members are:

Ken Aman - Chair	Jim Vande Logt
Randy Olech	Chet Zara
Ron Sobon	

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Fr. Terry Keehan

We have launched the voyage of Lent. Ash Wednesday reminded us of our commitment to "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel." We here at Holy Family traditionally accompany the reception of ashes with a question that demands a response. This year, as usual, the answer to the question was, and is, "Yes." The question was, and is, "Are you willing to be an instrument of hope for the world?"

Hopefully you have already noticed the word HOPE on the triangular spaces on either side of the altar. That word is a guide for us on the 40 day retreat that is Lent. You will also notice the accompanying words DARKNESS, HUMANITY and VIOLENCE. We are calling all of you to be an instrument of, and to support, *Peaceful Pathways* in the midst of a world that is sometimes violent, dark and very human. We believe that will lead us to HOPE.

One of the accompanying words is VIOLENCE. Another tradition here at Holy Family is to join together in support of a Lenten Social Justice Project. All of these projects have been rooted in Catholic Social Teaching. This year's project continues that discipline, rooted in such tenants as respect for the dignity of life, solidarity, a commitment to family and community participation.

This Lent we are asking you to support life, stand in solidarity with other organizations and people steeped in violence, and make a commitment with others at Holy Family to strengthen your family and community as well as other families and communities. The intent of our Lenten support this year is Violence Prevention Initiatives and the method of doing so is through *Peaceful Pathways*.

We are so fortunate to be the first and only (so far) parish that is joining Cardinal Cupich's Violence Prevention Initiative along with Catholic Charities, the City of Chicago, Mercy Home for Boys and Girls and St. Sabina Parish. Sue Geegan our Director of Human Concerns, Ro Geisler, our Parish Manager, and I have been researching and discussing our participation in this initiative for several months now. We have looked into possibilities of our ability to express our commitment to the tenants of Catholic Social Teaching and support *Peaceful Pathways* to Violence Prevention.

The two specific programs that we are asking you to be attentive to are "Strong Futures" at St. Sabina in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood on Chicago's south side. "Strong Futures" can begin

with young men playing in a basketball league, often with team mates who are in rival gangs. It provides young men with support in job training and other life skills.

The second is the "Peace Corner" run by Catholic Charities in the Austin Neighborhood on Chicago's west side. This program provides youth with alternatives to many issues that often lead to violence. You will hear much more about these programs as Lent unfolds.

We welcome Phil Andrew to Holy Family this weekend. Phil has been appointed by Cardinal Cupich to oversee all of the Violence Prevention Initiatives in the Archdiocese. Sue, Ro and I have talked a lot with Phil recently, and he is genuinely excited to share with us some of the building blocks of both violence prevention and pathways to peace.

Phil comes to us after recently retiring from the FBI. He brings a lot of professional experience in the areas of conflict negotiation and response in the midst of stress, emergency and crisis. I could share a long list of Phil's expertise and qualifications but, most importantly, he is enthusiastic about this very important area wide Violence Prevention Initiative. After meeting with and talking with him, I am confident that he will bring strong leadership and vision.

On a very personal level, Phil was shot in a highly unusual encounter with Laurie Dann, who had just minutes before shot several students at a school on the north shore. Phil's family house is in the neighborhood of the school where the shooting occurred and Laurie, the shooter, fled and literally walked into Phil's home. He and his mother negotiated with her, tried to calm her, non-violently disarmed her of several weapons, but she ultimately held one gun that she shot Phil with.

As you might imagine, this incident shaped much of his professional career as an agent of investigation and security. Please give Phil Andrew a warm Holy Family welcome as he shares his commitment to and energy around Violence Prevention Initiatives. He will be speaking at both the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses. Ro Geisler, Sue Geegan, Fr. Rich Jakubik and I will be speaking at the rest of the weekend liturgies. As has been our custom for the past six Lents, please listen to the story and the cause as it is presented during ALL of Lent and support it financially and spiritually as the Spirit moves you.

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The Liturgical Arts Community... creates a vibrant prayer and worship experience so that all may participate in a fully conscious and active way in the liturgy. This includes different forms of prayer and worship experiences, for all attending Holy Family.

CALLING ALL
HOLY FAMILY PARISH
3RD THRU 8TH GRADERS!
WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE AS
TABLE AND LIGHT MINISTERS AT
SUNDAY MASS?

If so, please contact Cindy Valukas
(cinfl98@comcast.net, 847-382-1085)
or Kathy Ahlgrim
(kathy@ahlgrimfuneral.com,
847-359-5346)
BEFORE February 26.
Training will be provided.

Attention All Ministers of Care and Others Who Take Communion to the Homebound!

Beginning with the masses on the weekend of March 3/4, we will be making a change in the procedure for you to obtain consecrated hosts for those who are unable to attend mass. Instead of coming to the front to receive the hosts from the priest after Communion, please present your pyx to the Eucharistic Minister when you receive Communion. The EM will place the required number of consecrated hosts in your pyx at that time. After Communion you will be asked to stand at your seat in the assembly for a blessing. You will no longer be called forward after Communion to fill your pyx. That will be done by the Eucharistic Minister when you receive Communion personally. Those who take Communion to nursing homes will continue to fill their pyx directly from the tabernacle (either before or after mass) but will stand for the blessing after Communion.

If you have any questions, please contact Mimi Ferlita (mferlita@holyfamilyparish.org, 847-907-3425) in the Pastoral Care office or Deacon Dennis Brown (dbrown@holyfamilyparish.org, 847-907-3440) in the Liturgy office.

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Watch our weekly LBSCC reflection @
<https://www.youtube.com/user/HFInverness/videos>. Click on reflections for Sunday Readings 2-25-18 and listen to Fr. Rich Jakubik reflect on the readings.

First Sunday of Lent

1. Like Abraham, in what ways have you been tested by God? How has this made your faith stronger?
2. When has God's plan surprised you, because it was better than the plan you had for yourself?
3. As Paul wrote, in life we all go through difficulties. How can we keep God's love foremost in our lives to better handle tough times?
4. In this Gospel reading, as in others, it is Peter, James and John who are Jesus' inner circle. Who's in your inner circle, and what trusted role do they play in your life? Simply put, who are your Peter, James and John?
5. In our Gospel, the voice of God says: "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" What can you do during this holy period of Lent to listen to Jesus more?



THE PASCHAL SEASON 40 / 3 / 50

ALL THE DAYS, from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost, are our **Paschal** (Passover) **Season**. The **40** days of **Lent** and the **50** days of **Easter** surround the **Triduum**, the **Great Three Days** from Holy Thursday evening through Easter Sunday evening. This entire season has a unity founded in the Easter Vigil. This unity is visibly expressed in our **Lenten**

reflection on HOPE in the face of violence, and our continued celebration of baptismal death and resurrection in Christ during Eastertime. To put it another way, **TOGETHER** we seek **HOPE** and deeper conversion during Lent so that we might come to new life during Easter and, in turn, go forth at Pentecost with the power of the Spirit to transform the world.



You will notice throughout Lent that words, as they did during Advent, will play a prominent role in both our Lenten environment and liturgy. Most obvious is the “Word Wall” on each side of the sanctuary and photos that “express a thousand words” on the back wall. In addition, each Sunday during Lent, the entrance procession will include a person carrying a sign with a word written on it, gleaned from the Scriptures for that Sunday,

which speaks to our Lenten focus on **HOPE IN THE FACE OF VIOLENCE**. This sign will be placed on an easel near the ambo. After the last mass, the sign will be attached to our Lenten Social Justice display in the narthex. The Penitential Rite each week will provide an opportunity for prayerful contemplation of these words that we hope will enrich your Lenten journey and bring you more fully to the celebration of Easter, and on to Pentecost.

Baptisms During Lent????

In the first centuries of the early Church, a person prepared to enter the Church through a very lengthy process known as the Catechumenate. Near the end of this process there was a 40-day retreat during which the catechumens preparing to be initiated into the community through their Baptism, Confirmation, and reception of the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. This final period of preparation for Baptism became what we now call Lent. For those already baptized it was a time to encourage the candidates for Baptism and to pray with them. Equally important, it was a time to renew their own baptismal promises.

In keeping with this ancient tradition, many parishes today, including Holy Family, do not celebrate the sacrament of Baptism as a normal practice during Lent. For us, Lent will be a 40-day retreat during which we rediscover the rich, ever-powerful reality of our Baptism and spiritually prepare to renew our baptismal promises at Easter. As a strong visible symbol of our Lenten “fast” the Baptism fonts will be emptied and not filled again until the Easter Vigil when we can once again quench our “thirst” in the waters of new life.

Liturgical Arts

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 19

9:00AM Bob Nikodem (Knights of Columbus)
9:00AM Special Intention (Simon Family)
9:00AM Peter Wickman (Nedza Family)
7:00PM Jim Frangos (Mel Dianis)

Tuesday, February 20

9:00AM Philippe Paragas (Family)
9:00AM Ralph Thundathil (Family)

Wednesday, February 21

9:00AM Fr. Pat Brennan (Nwankwo Family)
9:00AM Thomas Reynolds (Son)
9:00AM Joann Martinez (Debbie Maffesoli)
7:00PM Stanley Szerszen (Connie & Jerry)

Thursday, February 22

9:00AM Rick Zito (Family)
9:00AM Virginia Zito (Family)
9:00AM Ellen Zito (Family)
9:00AM Eugene Kaczmarczyk (Family)

Friday, February 23

9:00AM Garret Fineza (Family)
9:00AM Residents of Poplar Creek (Ministers of Care)
9:00AM Leonard Remick (Family)
9:00AM Richard Bokor (Family)

Saturday, February 24

5:00PM Daniel Scatena (Jim Finn)
5:00PM Bob McGrath (Barb & Dave Hooper)
5:00PM Agnes & Constanty Obrochta (Family)

Sunday, February 25

7:30AM Cathleen Mahoney (Mom)

9:00AM Dawn Stadler (Joe & Judy Klen Family)
9:00AM Rev. W. Timothy Cuny, OSA
(Christine Komperda)
9:00AM Paul Sicotte (Rhea Schneider)

11:00AM Sharon Stoppeworth (Haben Family)
11:00AM Fr. Tim Cuny (Haben Family)
11:00AM Yuleppe Soares (Haben Family)

Mass intentions are available
by contacting the Parish Office



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

* Peter Ambrosio	* Vera Hart
* Delores Aniol	* James Kulikaukas
Dorene Belli	* Robert Ouimette
* Bonnie Bennett	* Mark Rolfe
* Tony Capalbo	* Hwanhee Yi
* Patricia Ann Croak	

"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.": John 11: 25

In a Special Way We Remember Those Who Are Ill...

Elaine Freeman	Sarah
Joe Harrison	Lauren Scienski
Jim Hellstrom	Dennis Siebold
Tom Maag	Mary Tazelaar
Joan Maestranzi	Susan Tipre

We Pray for Family Members in Service of Our Country

Lt. Colonel David J. Benjamin III - *US Army*
Capt. Sean P. Benjamin - *US Army*
Lt. Anne Louise Graft - *US Air Force*
First Lieutenant Peter Keiser - *US Army*
Ensign Patrick J. Kennelly - *US Navy*
Major Brian Malloy - *US Army*
Lt. Colonel Jade Patrick Miller - *US Army*
Pvt. Theodore Rogers - *US Army*
Airman Zachary L. Schirmer - *US Navy*
Capt. Nick Lewis-Walls - *US Army*

Weekly Readings

Monday, February 19

Leviticus 19: 1-2, 11-18
Matthew 25: 31-46

Tuesday, February 20

Isaiah 55: 10-11
Matthew 6: 7-15

Wednesday, February 21

Jonah 3: 1-10
Luke 11: 29-32

Thursday, February 22

1 Peter 5: 1-4
Matthew 16: 13-19

Friday, February 23

Ezekial 18: 21-28
Matthew 5: 20-26

Saturday, February 24

Deuteronomy 26: 16-19
Matthew 5: 43-48

Sunday, February 25

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a,10-13,15-18
Romans 8: 31b-34
Mark 9: 2-10

Parish Support & Services

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

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The Parish Support
& Services
Community...
oversees the parish
business and
infrastructure activities
to ensure they operate
efficiently.

	ATTENDANCE	COLLECTIONS
Jan 22	2,012	\$ 79,533 *
Jan 29	2,243	\$ 15,786
Feb 4	1,594	\$ 19,732
Feb 11	1,691	\$ 51,765 *
Total	7,540	\$ 166,816
Last year	8,582	
Year to Date Sunday Collections		\$ 1,312,137
Year to Date Budget		\$ 1,268,928

* Includes online giving



Consider increasing your weekly donation by the cost of one cup per week.

Help Wanted

Holy Family Catholic Community has staff openings in the Maintenance Department for individuals with experience in the following areas:

Maintenance Manager
- Full-time

General Maintenance
- Part-time

Contact Ray Lacek,
Building Engineer at
847-907-3437

Attention: Electronic Donors -

Please remember to advise of any change in your credit card status. We are happy to assist you in updating records or you can also access ACS. Your assistance will avoid any potential confusion or interruption in your donations.

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The Adult Faith
Community...
supports the mission
of lifelong learning by
providing educational,
spiritual, and
formational activities
for the parish and the
community.

Bible Journey – Spring Session

“God as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier in the Bible”

Presented by Dr. Pauline Viviano

March 7, 14, 21, April 4 11, and 18, 2018

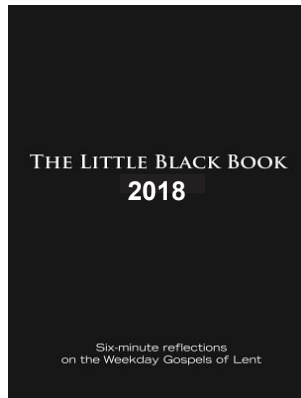
9:45 am-11:45 am (includes one hour of small group discussion and one hour of lecture)

Cost: \$35

To register, contact Mary Whiteside at 847-907-3450 or mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org



Lenten Prayer Books



Our little black prayer books to help you pray through Lent are available at the front office. The cost for each book is \$1. Please bring exact amount or, if you are purchasing for a group, make checks payable to Holy Family Parish. Wishing you a peaceful, prayerful Lent.

Annulment Support

If you would like to speak to someone who has experienced an annulment or have someone walk the journey with you as you complete the annulment process, we hope you will consider contacting our Annulment Ministry leaders.

For more information, contact

Jan at jromanowski51@gmail.com or 847-504-6924 or

Rosemary at rtspinner@gmail.com or 847-991-7833

Adult Faith



Please keep our catechumen and our candidates in your prayers today as they attend the Rite of Election at Holy Name Cathedral. This is a very special day of celebration as they affirm their intention to join the Church and begin the Period of Purification and Enlightenment, the final preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation.

Amanda Cummings

Timothy Esposito

Penelope Ffitch-Heyes

Randall Gurvitz

Andrea Ruetten

Anthony Suubi

“Forgiving Ourselves”

Presented by Fr. Britto Berchmans

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

7:00-8:30 pm



Cost: Suggested donation of \$10

To register, contact Mary Whiteside
at 847-907-3450
or mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org

Holy Week Retreat



Led by Fr. Terry Keehan

Saturday, March 24, 2018

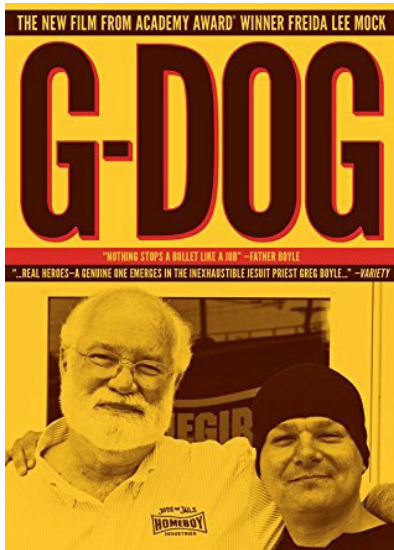
9:00 am-2:00 pm

Cost: \$10 for box lunch

*Please register by **March 19** to
help us plan for food.*

Contact Mary Whiteside at 847-907-3450 or
mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org.

Lenten Movie Night and Book Discussion



Movie Night – “G-Dog”
Wednesday, February 28, 2018
7:00 pm
Free

Join us for this powerful film about second chances. It is the story of the labor of love of Greg Boyle, a Jesuit priest who rescues kids from gangs through the creation of the nation’s largest, most successful gang intervention and rehab program, Homeboy Industries. Fr. Boyle’s motto is “Nothing stops a bullet like a job.” Learn about his work in providing job training, tattoo removal, counseling, yoga, and free fatherhood and substance abuse classes, to give gang members a second chance for a productive future and a life where they feel valued and loved unconditionally.

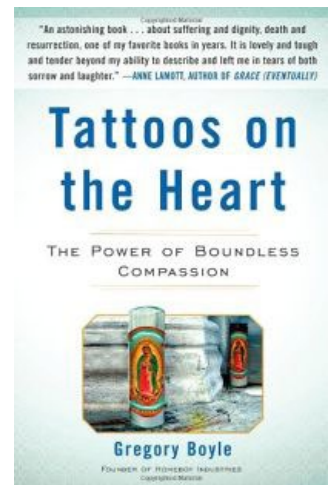
Book Discussion - *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion* By Gregory Boyle, S.J.

For twenty years, Fr. Gregory Boyle, S.J. has run Homeboy Industries, a gang-intervention program located in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles, the gang capital of the world. In *Tattoos on the Heart*, he distills his experience working in the ghetto into a breathtaking series of stories inspired by faith. Gorgeous and uplifting, *Tattoos on the Heart* reminds us that no life is less valuable than another.

Please join our lively book discussion, facilitated by **Marsha Adamczyk, on: Tuesday, March 6, 2018**
9:45am to 11:15am

You may purchase your copy from amazon.com for \$13.00. A few copies will be available in the Adult Faith office as well (Please make checks payable to Holy Family Parish).

Contact Marsha Adamczyk to register at madamczyk@holyfamilyparish.org or 847-907-3458.



Upcoming Adult Faith Events

Thursday, April 26, 7:00-9:00 pm –
“Four Commandments of Contentment” with Fr. Ed Shea, OFM

Tuesdays, May 15, 22 and 29, 7:00-9:00 pm –
“The Christ of the Miracle Stories” with Sr. Wendy Cotter

New Ministry of Care Training Workshop Vicariate 1, Archdiocese of Chicago February 24 & March 3, 2018

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The Pastoral Care
Community...
provides, through
our ministries,
compassionate
pastoral care with
support and guidance
for those who suffer in
mind, body and spirit.

When: Sign in: 8:45 am
Sessions from 9:00am to 3:00pm both days
(Lunch will be provided)

February 24 Topics:

Sr. Jane Schlosser:

"Spirituality in the Ministry" & "The Experience of Suffering"

Deacon Jim Minor

"Theology of the Eucharist"

March 3 Topics:

Sr. Mary Barbara:

"Prayer in Care Ministry" & "Ministerial Procedures"

Carol Holden:

"Pastoral Communications Skills"

Full participation in both sessions are required to fulfill the Archdiocesan requirements for mandation.

Where:

St. Francis De Sales Parish. 35 S. Buesching, Lake Zurich, IL 60047

To register: www.vic1chicago.org

For information: Mimi Ferlita, 847-907-3425 or
mferlita@holyfamilyparish.org

The Labyrinth Prayer Walk

The Labyrinth prayer walk is an indoor prayer walk opportunity during the Lenten season. It has a well defined circular path that you walk, which leads you to a center, then leads you out to where you began. It is a spiritual, sacred walk. Your prayer is a private conversation prayer with God, and a quiet listening to God's response. It takes 15 minutes or longer, depending if you choose to walk fast or slow, and enriches your everyday life spiritual experience, helping you find your way.



All are welcome!

Date: March 2, 3, 4

Location: Chapel

Our Lenten journey of hope

LENT TOGETHER
has begun!

Lent still holds power in the imaginations of Catholics. It is not unusual to find Catholics who have left the Church, still consciously keeping the Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting and alms-giving. **Ash Wednesday** is still a day when Catholic Churches are filled to the rafters – more people come to Church on Ash Wednesday than on Easter!

So what is it that Lent speaks to in our lives?

Ann Barr Weems, the gifted and prolific “Presbyterian poet laureate” wrote,

“Lent is a time to take time to let the power of our faith story take hold of us,
a time to let the events get up
and walk around in us,
a time to intensify our living unto Christ,
a time to hover over the thoughts of our hearts...

Lent is a time to allow
a fresh new taste of God!

Perhaps it is the Lenten *promise of a new start* that draws us to engage in Lent; to practice prayer, fasting and alms-giving in the hopes of re-igniting our own faith journeys.



Perhaps Lent *anchors us in hope at a time when the natural world can seem to be so arbitrary*, winter fiercely

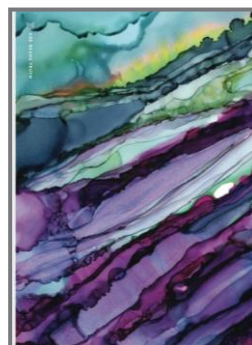
hanging on even as day-light valiantly warms the earth desperate to break forth in bloom, heralding the potent possibility that lies just below the surface.

Maybe the deepest parts of us realize that over time, our hearts and souls get messy and Lent *invites to roll up our sleeves and sort through the clutter of our lives* – a spiritual spring cleaning if you will.

Whatever it is Lent does speak to our on-going need for renewal. It is a season that encourages us to sort things out and let things go. Lent is a season that speaks of our need to re-set our internal clocks, tidy up the inner recesses of the heart in order to commit yet again to what is important.

These are wonderful lessons to share with our children and teens. Lent is a time to make sure they know

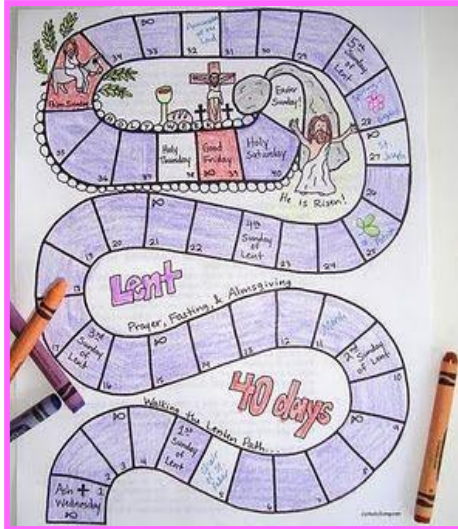
- we repent not to be loved, but because we are loved;
- we fast not to suffer for past transgressions but to de-clutter and re-focus, clearing out what distracts us from seeing and feeling God’s love;
- we give, not to insure some far-off inheritance, but because we are confident in God’s generosity.



PRAYER, FASTING & ALMSGIVING these are the ways we grow closer to God and our neighbor, resources to help us live hopeful, joy-filled lives rich in the harvest of justice, mercy.

“Lent is a time to take time to let the power of our faith story take hold of us...”

Make Lent a Family Affair



Parents check out Loyola Press'

E-Newsletter for Busy Parents

This newsletter is tied to what our 1-6 graders are doing in class.

<http://www.loyolapress.com/~media/Microsites/fg-ewsletter/finding-god-ews-lent.ashx?la=en>

Parents check out these short articles

Helping Little Children with Lent

<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/children.html>

Looking at Marriage During Lent

<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/marriage-lent.html>

Reconciliation & Healing

<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/reconciliation.html>



Eat, Play, Love:

Try some of these or be more creative

- **Mac & cheese**
- **Meatless tacos**
- **Vegetarian chili**
- **Gourmet grilled cheese**
- **Pancake/waffle buffet**
- **Fruit soups**
- **Cross shaped cookies**
- **Dessert pizzas**

Make mealtimes part of Lent

Think simple; think fun

Designate one evening a week to prepare a meal together. Let each family member take on a task or prepare part of the meal. Begin with a prayer of thanks and petition.

Then again... there are always the **Knights Fish Frys** (Feb. 23, March 2, 9, and 16).

Opportunities for Families to pray together @ Holy Family

Stations of the Cross

February 16 & 23
March 2, 9, & 16

Sacrament of Reconciliation

All Parish service
March 13, 7 pm



Lenten pics!

Babe (G)

It's a classic! So even if you've seen it countless times its central message that everyone deserves kindness and respect never grows old.

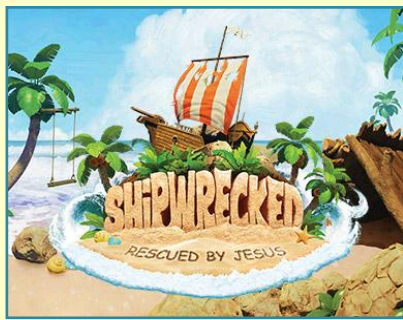
An American Tale (G)

Chances are your youngest ones haven't seen this one a hundred times (first appeared in 1986). Fievel is a winning hero who navigates the perils of a new home and the intolerance of others as he learns the value of fairness.

Selma (PG 13) – If you have t'weens and teens this 2014 docu-drama about the civil rights movement raises all kinds of issues, in particular the role of social sin in our lives. What is our role as Christians in society?

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2017 Drama Team

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Contact

↑ iferlita@hollyfamilyparish.org if you're willing to be on this year's leadership team.



2017 Game team



Music Team

Passion Play Update

Our teens have been hard at work for six weeks on our annual Passion Play. This year we have another original script authored by Dr. Peg Hanrahan and Lynn Daugerdas (this year's Director), entitled **"Come to the Water"**.



Each year we try to bring a fresh look at the Passion of Christ, highlighting the many layers of meaning in this central Christian narrative. This year's passion play opens in Peter's house as the fledging Pentecost community gathers to celebrate the Eucharist.

It is our hope in beginning this way we as a faith community will make the connection with our own

celebration of the Eucharist the night before on Holy Thursday. The Passion is then told in flashback by Mary, mother of God and Peter, as the Pentecost community shares the story of Jesus with a young Jewish couple in need of food and shelter on their way to Jerusalem.

What does water have to do with the Passion? Jesus' own baptism in the Jordan ushers in his public ministry. At the time of his death blood and water flow from his side pierced by the centurion's spear, transforming the cross into the Tree of Life. As we gather to hear again this moving story and venerate the Cross on Good Friday, we are prepared to move into the splendor of Easter at the Holy Saturday Vigil, where we are renewed by the living waters of baptism. Plan to be with us on March 30 to re-imagine once again the Passion of Jesus.

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HFCA Celebrates Our Eagles

Our boys basketball season was a great success! We were thrilled to have alums RJ Bottalla, Ryan Gilski and Hunter Theim coach our 4th/5th grade team, and our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade teams finished at the top of their divisions! For the first time in HFCA history, both 7th and 8th grade teams played in the conference championship games.

We are blessed to have such dedicated parent coaches who teach skills, teamwork and character to our young athletes!



Catholic Charities New Hope Apartments A Transitional Housing Program for Homeless Families December, 2017 Update

We Have 2 New Families!

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Family #30

Our new family consists of a single 23 year old African American mom and her two son's ages 4 and 2. She became homeless due low income status. She reported that she got into a disagreement with her mother and another family member in the household and she was put out a few months ago. She reported that she had a history of being homeless during her high school years.

Our mom is working at a cleaning service in Streamwood making \$10.50 per hour. Things were going well until her hours were cut, so now she is looking for either a part-time or full-time position that is more secure. She may have some difficulties finding work because she does not have a High School Diploma. One of her major goals while in New Hope is to obtain her GED.

Both sons are doing well and her eldest son is enrolled in Head Start in the area and she is currently working on getting him in afterschool care. She is also working on getting her youngest son in daycare. Her brother and sister are still helping out with daycare/child care while she is at work. She hopes to secure daycare and afterschool care for both sons soon.

Goals:

- Saving up at least 3 month's rent & saving IRS tax refund
- Obtaining GED
- Applying for low income housing

This family was most grateful to receive the gifts from a Holy Family Assist A Family donor for Christmas. She reported that the boys really enjoyed opening their gifts and sends a sincere and gracious thank you to all the parishioners at Holy Family and the Peace and Justice Cluster!

Family #31

This family consists of a single mixed race (white and black) 24 year old female and her two son's ages 7 and 5. Client became homeless due to emotional abuse from her ex and his family with whom they lived. Her oldest child is from another relationship.

Our mom is doing well, yet is having trouble securing social services from the State of Illinois. She was recently promoted to a manager's position; however, she still works as a server occasionally. She will soon take over as a full-time manager. Our mom has enrolled in school and is working on her Business Associates Degree reporting she will be finished next semester.

Goals:

- Saving up at least 3 month's rent & saving IRS tax refund
- Attend work and school as scheduled
- Apply for low income housing

This family was very excited at Christmas, especially receiving all the Christmas presents from Holy Family. She reported that no one has ever helped her like this before.

***New Hope sends Seasons Greetings to all the Peace and Justice Cluster parishioners that support New Hope. The families had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!
May God Bless you all!***



2018 Lenten Social Justice Project “Peaceful Pathways”

This Lenten season, walk with us along “Peaceful Pathways”, our social justice project. We’re joining Cardinal Cupich’s Anti-Violence initiative (endorsed by Pope Francis) targeting vulnerable, at risk youth in Chicago’s most troubled neighborhoods. Although “Anti-Violence” describes our intent, “Peaceful Pathways” describes our approach. Our contributions will support two highly successful local programs: Strong Futures on the south side of Chicago (www.saintsabinapeacemakers.org/strong-futures), and The Peace Corner Youth Center (www.thepeacecorner.org) on the west side.

Through providing a safe physical space, academic help, job counseling, physical activities and a strong support network, both programs work by peacefully rescuing, training and shielding high-risk youth. They arm young people with the fortitude, skills and support needed to avoid the pitfalls of drugs, gangs, and violence. Strong Futures and The Peace Corner Youth Center both have impressive histories and proven results. This Lenten season, we want to help them do even more. Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$25,000. The total amount raised will be split evenly between these two programs.

Won’t you walk the “Peaceful Pathways” with us, too?
Contact Sue at sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org for more information.

“Non-violence requires a double faith: faith in God, and also faith in man” - Mahatma Gandhi

LENTEN FISH FRY AT HOLY FAMILY



**Fridays, February 23,
March 2, 9 and 16
6-7:30pm**

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will hold a Lenten Fish Fry dinner to benefit the Human Concerns programs, served in the social center from 6:00-7:30pm. Menu includes fried fish, baked fish, pizza, macaroni and cheese, fries, applesauce, coleslaw, dessert, and beverage. **Please note a change in pricing. \$10 adults; \$8 seniors 65 and over; \$5 children 4-12 years; 3 and under FREE.**

HOLY FAMILY PADS SITE OPEN FOR 17th SEASON

Holy Family PADS site, a Sunday evening shelter for people facing homelessness, is in its *seventeenth season*. It takes many volunteers to set up, provide and serve meals, work shifts, clean up as well as offer an atmosphere of comfort and safety. Here are two ways YOU can serve the homeless in our community.

1) Sign-ups for food and shift positions will take place after mass in the narthex on **Sunday, February 25**. If you have not completed orientation, go to www.journeystheroadhome.org and click on Volunteer Opportunities to find the 2017-2018 orientation schedule. Online sign-ups are available to all volunteers who have completed orientation.

2) Provide food for dinner, lunch or breakfast. Visit www.carecalendar.org using our own **calendar ID and password** listed below and feel free to sign up for food donations through the end of the season. Food can be dropped off hours, even days earlier, and prepared just prior to our guests arriving. Please feel free to pass this information along to anyone else you know that might want to donate items for our weekly PADS site. The calendar ID is 134413 and the security code is 9236.

If you have completed orientation and haven’t received an invitation to sign up for a shift online, please contact Sue Geegan at sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org. We always need more shift volunteers, so please consider volunteering even if it’s just once per month.

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www.wingsprogram.com
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Support Groups

Al-Anon

Helps friends and families of alcoholics find support and understanding. Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30am in room Lower Level 3. Childcare available.
Cathie: 847-255-3653

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One-on-one counseling. Meets on various days and times. Contact them directly at 855-383-2224.

Job Support

A vibrant networking group designed to support those who are searching for a new position or career. We encourage all attendees to share talents, advice and contacts. The group meets Saturday mornings from 7:30 to 9:30 am in Common Ground. For each meeting bring 25 copies of a resume or handbill.

Gary Sakata 847-381-0218
Frank Sevilla 847-567-0969,
Jerry Aurigemma 224-484-8709

LOSS (Survivors of Suicide)

Facilitated by staff of Catholic Charities on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Holy Family at 7:00pm. Contact: Jessica H. 312-655-7283

Mental Health Support

A support group for families and friends of people with mental health issues. Meets the first Wednesday of every month from 7-8:30pm.
Dan & Trudy Mickey- 847-991-6255
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One In Love (LGBT)

Educate, Advocate, Ally and Serve the LGBT community by exploring issues surrounding sexuality, gender, and our faith in a safe, loving environment. Meets the second Saturday every month from 10:00am-noon. Chris Evon 847-271-6030 or chris.evon@yahoo.com

Rising from Divorce

A support group for individuals facing separation, divorce or annulment. This open and ongoing support group who will help you heal and cope. Faith sharing, speakers and social activities are offered throughout the year. Meets on Monday twice a month from 7:00-9:00pm.
Kathy Kvitik: kathykv2@gmail.com
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To Be Joyful Again

Supporting and assisting people whose spouses have died. We meet on the first and third Thursdays of every month at 7:00pm, and also provide other opportunities for connection. Contact:
Elaine at 847-705-9886
Bob Boho at 847-438-2884

US TOO International (prostate cancer support)

For men and couples who are dealing with prostate cancer. Information, resources and support are available at the monthly meetings which are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:00pm and 6:30-9:00pm.
Cliff Whall - 630-718-1304

Sacramental Moments

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