



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

inviting all to new life in Christ



To Christians, the future does have a name and its name is Hope. Feeling hopeful does not mean to be optimistically naïve and ignore the tragedy humanity is facing. Hope is the virtue of a heart that doesn't lock itself into darkness, that doesn't dwell on the past, does not simply get by in the present, but is able to see a tomorrow. Hope is the door that opens onto the future. Hope is a humble, hidden seed of life that, with time, will develop into a large tree . . . A single individual is enough for hope to exist, and that individual can be you.

Pope Francis, April 2017 TED Talk

About Us

Holy Family

Catholic Community
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Fr. Terry Keehan

Pastor

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Associate Pastor
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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

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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

Hope, Despair and now, Doubt. Humanity, Suffering and Violence. These are prominent words that express some powerful emotions as we continue our Lenten journey. They are words that we process in and display in our sanctuary and on the triangular walls that flank our sanctuary. They carry with them some heavy and negative connotations. We must acknowledge that Doubt, Despair, Suffering and Violence exist in our world, not only in neighborhoods where the two programs that we are focused on supporting this Lent exist, but as was evident with the high school shooting in Florida last week, in communities a lot like ours as well.

As our pre-Mass ritual states, "We are in this together," and the THIS is Hope in the midst of the challenges that the above words give us. Because it is a virtue and a trait, it is sometimes difficult to identify where hope comes from. Why do some people have more of it, and some people seriously lack it? Why do we have more of it at certain times in our lives, and not so much at other times? I invite you to spend some time this week with the thoughts about Hope shared by Pope Francis on the cover of this bulletin.

The word that will be processed in and displayed near our ambo this week is Doubt, and our scripture readings have a lot to say about it. Listen attentively to the first reading this weekend from Genesis in which Abraham seems to have absolutely no doubt in God's plan. He and Sarah had tremendous difficulty conceiving a child (a challenge that many of you also know) and were at the point where having their own child was all but forgotten. Remember how the story goes on and they finally conceive a miracle child, Isaac. Our first reading this weekend then tells us that God asks Abraham to sacrifice this child that they had waited so long for, a cruel request that seems even more cruel in light of their struggles to have him in the first place. This week's passage begins with, "God put Abraham to the test." We also hear that, at the last second, God rescinds the command to Abraham to sacrifice his son, Isaac. This also gives us a hint that God would eventually sacrifice His only son, Jesus. Let us be inspired by Abraham, a real sign of Hope against Doubt.

In our second reading, which we will hear proclaimed by Elijah, a ten year old who benefits from

programming at The Peace Corner on Chicago's west side, one of the programs that we are supporting this Lent. He proclaims that St. Paul tells us, "Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus." If we find ourselves with any doubt, may these words be a source of Hope for us.

In our Gospel from Mark this week we hear the story of the Transfiguration. Like any really dramatic story, particularly those in which we hear the very voice of God, we can be even more inspired to believe and have hope. Let's face it, we all hear God's voice more clearly and directly at times. When you have a moment of clarity, conviction or confidence about a direction, activity or commitment, don't you also naturally feel less doubt and more hopeful? Conversely, sometimes we feel and experience doubt. Those are moments when we have to listen to the voice of God, in prayer and through life's events, even more.

In the words of our Pope Francis, the Transfiguration means '*Listen to Jesus and follow him.*' Let us continue to live out our Ash Wednesday commitment to be instruments of hope for our world. Let us continue to listen to the unfolding story of our Lenten Social Justice project. Let us listen and follow peaceful pathways to violence prevention.

I hope that you share my pride in Holy Family stepping up to be the first parish to enter into a partnership with Cardinal Cupich in this important Violence Prevention Initiative. The Cardinal will be here to share even more of the story and the overall initiative when he presides at the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, March 11.

I want to thank Phil Andrew for sharing a bit about his role and his conviction with us as the Cardinal's delegate for the Violence Prevention Initiative during last weekend's 9:00 and 11:00am Masses.

Please join me in thanking this year's Gala chairs Stephanie Andre-Ouellette, Helen Kalantzis and Kathy Marousis and all who worked so hard to make the event such an expression of who we are and the vibrant mission that we at Holy Family Catholic Community continue to carry out. Thanks to all who attended and supported the Gala in many ways. Your generosity enables us to thrive!

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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.

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.

Easter Flower Memorial Donations



During this holy season remember your departed loved ones with flowers.

Easter Flower Memorial Donation envelopes are available in the Narthex. Please take a moment to complete the envelope and return it to the front office or the offering plate at Mass no later than Palm Sunday weekend.

Names will be published in the bulletin during the Easter season.

Questions? Contact Judy Petrie at
jpetrie@holyfamilyparish.org.

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Watch our weekly LBSCC reflection @

<https://www.youtube.com/user/HFInverness/videos>. Click on reflections for Sunday Readings 3-4-18 and listen to Deacon Dennis Brown reflect on the readings.

Third Sunday of Lent

1. For those of us old enough to remember, Sunday used to be a very quiet day. Over time, how have the money-changers altered our Sabbath? What can we do in 2018 to recapture the quiet reflection of Sundays past?
2. The 10 commandments are divine law, leaving no room for ambiguity. How do we reconcile this with God's mercy and the truth and grace of Jesus Christ?
3. Like the Jews and the Greeks in our second reading, why is it that we look for "signs" and "wisdom" rather than relying on faith?
4. During his clash in the temple, why do you think that Jesus showed anger and his human side instead of his divine side in dealing with the money-changers? What was He demonstrating to those who witnessed this confrontation?
5. Our Gospel concludes with: "Jesus on his part would not entrust himself to them...for he himself knew what was in everyone." What opportunity does Lent offer us to look at and improve what is inside of us?



CALLING ALL
HOLY FAMILY PARISH
3RD THRU 8TH
GRADERS!
WOULD YOU LIKE TO
SERVE AS
TABLE & 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.

Lenten Reconciliation Schedule

Tuesday, March 13 at 7:00pm –
All Parish Service

Tuesday, March 20, 7:00-8:30pm –
Individual

Tuesday, March 27, 7:00-8:30pm –
Individual

*Additionally, we take this opportunity to remind
you of our regularly scheduled reconciliation
times:*

- First Saturday of each month, 4:00pm –
Communal Service with individual absolution
in the Chapel
- Every Wednesday, 6:00-6:45pm – Individual -
in the Reconciliation Room

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.

Liturgical Arts

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 26

9:00AM Knoll Family (Main Family)
9:00AM Special Intention (Family)
7:00PM Eugene Malagar (Desierto Family)

Tuesday, February 27

9:00AM Stan & Helen Korczak (Family)
9:00AM Mark Rolfe (Friends)

Wednesday, February 28

9:00AM Romeo Fineza (Family)
9:00AM Residents of Poplar Creek (Ministers of Care)
9:00AM Mario Feijoo (Margarita Feijoo)

Thursday, March 1

9:00AM Vito Graziano (Family)

Friday, March 2

9:00AM Carmen Biese (Guevara Family)

Saturday, March 3

5:00PM Carolyn Grosch (Family)
5:00PM Lawrence J. Fixel Sr. (Family)
5:00PM Lawrence J. Fixel Jr. (Family)

Sunday, March 4

7:30AM Thomas McMahon (Rick McMahon)
7:30AM Leno Valente (Sloan Salah)
7:30AM Kathryn Dougal (Family)

9:00AM Irena Kulka (Barb Leczycki & Family)
9:00AM Helen Clark (Andrew & Florette Sokulski)
9:00AM John Larkin (Wife Margie)

11:00AM Vince Alfieri (Nancy Lamontagna)
11:00AM Carolyn Grosch (Eileen Mahoney)
11:00AM Brian Healy (Stan & Pat Sowizrol)

4:00PM Cassandra Meadors (Gina Garcia)

Mass intentions are available
by contacting the Parish Office



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

Dorene Belli * Zofia Kusnierewicz
* Tony Capalbo * Carol Olson
* Vera Hart * Mark Rolfe
* James Kulikaukas * Hwanhee Yi

"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
Dana Hansler Lauren Scienski
Joe Harrison Dennis Siebold
Ruth Jensen Mary Tazelaar
Tom Maag Vincent Tunzi
Joan Maestranzi Jack Vainisi
Olivia Palumbo Lorrie Zurek
Salvatore Pizzuto

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 26

Daniel 9: 4b-10
Luke 6: 36-38

Tuesday, February 27

Isaiah 1: 10, 16-20
Matthew 23: 1-12

Wednesday, February 28

Jeremiah 18: 18-20
Matthew 20: 17-28

Thursday, March 1

Jeremiah 17: 5-10
Luke 16: 19-31

Friday, March 2

Genesis 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a
Matthew 21: 33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 3

Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20
Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

Sunday, March 4

Exodus 20: 1-17
1 Corinthians 1: 18, 22-25
John 2: 13-25

Parish Support & Services

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

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

	ATTENDANCE	COLLECTIONS
Jan 29	2,243	\$ 15,786
Feb 4	1,594	\$ 19,732
Feb 11	1,691	\$ 51,765 *
Feb 18	1,903	\$ 21,658
Total	7,431	\$ 108,941
Last year	8,582	
Year to Date Sunday Collections		\$ 1,314,837
Year to Date Budget		\$ 1,311,428

* 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:

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.

Bible Journey – Spring Session

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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.

“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@holymfamilyparish.org



“The Four Commandments of Contentment”

Presented by Fr. Ed Shea, OFM

Thursday, April 26, 2018

7:00-8:30 pm

Suggested donation: \$10

If you’ve ever contemplated what would make you happier in life, this is the program for you. Fr. Ed will give us insight into the key four principles that will help us maintain a sense of joy in life. In his spirited and joyful manner, he will lead us to the keys to happiness.



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



“Forgiving Ourselves”

Presented by

Fr. Britto Berchmans

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

7:00-8:30 pm

Cost: Suggested donation of \$10

After blessing us with a wonderful Parish Mission last year, Fr. Britto is back! This time he will share his wisdom on the challenging issues of forgiveness and the spiritual path to freedom. Give yourself a treat and join us for this inspiring night with Fr. Britto!

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

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

Holy Week
2018

Fr. Terry will lead us in a mini retreat on the spiritual adventure of Holy Week.

Using music, film, art, storytelling and more, this retreat is designed to be a prayerful resource to accompany your journey through the most sacred time of the entire church year.



“Navigating the Adventure of Holy Week”

A day retreat led by Fr. Terry Keehan

Saturday, March 24, 2018

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$10 for box lunch

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

Please register by March 19



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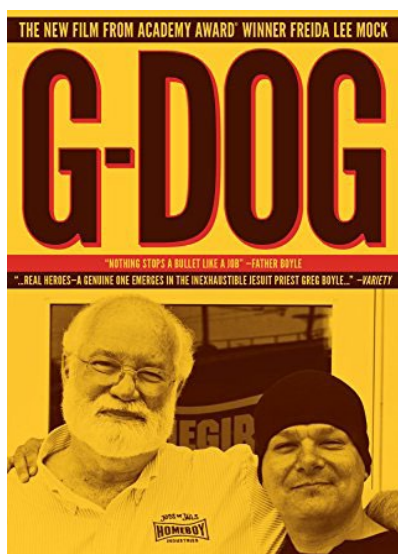
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Join us for the entire adventure this year...

Sunday, March 25—Palm Sunday
Thursday, March 29—Holy Thursday
Friday, March 30—Good Friday (Passion Play)
Saturday, March 31—Easter Vigil
Sunday, April 1—Easter

See Bulletin for Mass times

Lenten Movie Night and Book Discussion



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

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.

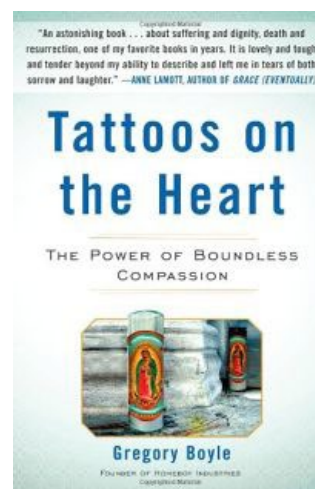
For twenty years, Fr. Gregory Boyle, S.J. has run Homeboy Industries, a gang-intervention program located in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles, the gang capital of the world. In *Tattoos on the Heart*, he distills his experience working in the ghetto into a breathtaking series of stories 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

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

IS THERE SOMEONE YOU KNOW WHO MIGHT BENEFIT FROM A VISIT FROM A MINISTER OF CARE?

The Ministry of Care at Holy Family Parish regularly participates in the important ministry of visiting the sick, the suffering, the elderly, and helping a person and their loved ones prepare for the critical time of death and dying.

Fr. Rich Jakubik
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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.

MINISTERS OF CARE AT HOLY FAMILY

The role of our Ministers of Care at Holy Family Parish involve bringing communion to the homebound, those in hospitals, or in nursing care facilities. There is no prohibition to the Ministers of Care or other members of Christ's body in offering prayers on behalf of the sick, and even laying hands on them or using oil. *Where two or three gather in the name of the Lord, Christ is present in their midst* (Matthew 18:20). While prayer may not be a sacrament, it is "sacramental" in the sense that the rosary or a scapular is "sacramental." All prayers on behalf of the sick are beneficial. Praying for each other or ritualizing the passing of a loved one in a simple form of anointing by family and friends is known to be healing and truly sacramental.

IS NOW THE RIGHT TIME TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF HEALING? PLEASE CONSIDER THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK FOR YOU OR A LOVED ONE.

On Nov. 30, 1972, Pope Paul VI issued an apostolic constitution that revised the formula and approved the rites to be observed for anointing and pastoral care of the sick. The first grace of the sacrament is one of restoring strength and health. But if this is not possible, then it brings the grace of peace and courage to meet the difficulties that go with serious illness or frailty.

Baptized members of the Christian faithful who have reached the age of reason and who begin to be in danger due to sickness or old age may receive the sacrament of anointing. Participation in the rites is encouraged broadly. For example:

- The elderly who are weakened, even though no notable illness is present, may choose to participate in the ritual.
- Those who face surgery due to serious illness
- Those who suffer serious mental illness

THE MANNER AND TIME

The canons simply state that the sacrament may be celebrated at an opportune time with members of the family and others from the faith community, effectively expressing the share that each one has in the suffering of others. The ritual should correspond to the particular situation of the person who is sick. Preferably, the celebration would take place while the person is capable of active participation and at least implicitly gives consent.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

To arrange for a person who is a home, hospitalized, or in a nursing care facility to be visited by a Minister of Care or receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick by one of our priests, please contact Mimi Ferlita at the Pastoral Care Office at 847-907-3425. Monthly Anointing of the Sick takes place on the First Friday of the month following the 9am Mass.

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.

Dates: March 2, 3, 4 Location: Chapel

HOLY FAMILY TEENS SPEAK OUT

Do you ever wonder how teens view the impact that Teen Faith programs have on their lives? This Lent we have asked some of our teens to tell you in their own words.

One of our most popular ministries is the Kairos Retreat. Here is reflection by Emily Kurka who participated in Kairos as both a retreatant and then as a team leader. Emily graduated from Fremd in 2018 and now attends the University of Iowa. She posted this reflection on **ODYSSEY** on January 29, 2018.

How Kairos Changed My Life by Emily Kurka

For any who do not know, Kairos is a Catholic retreat for juniors and seniors in high school. It takes place at an off-site Retreat Center over the course of 3 days and two nights. No phones are allowed on the retreat, and everyone is put purposely into small groups, with people they do not know. Over the course of the retreat you grow closer to God through talking to people who are able to lead you in the right direction.

Anyone who has been on Kairos can confidently say that it changed their life, I went as a junior in high school and can confidently say the same. At the time I signed up, I did not have much knowledge about Kairos but I knew I wanted to try it out. My whole life, I have been raised Catholic but I never really thought of the religion as my own, it was more of what I was told I was by all my family members.

Kairos took religion and made me want to be a Catholic for all the right reasons.



Emily's small group gathers in the Mother Cabrini Retreat Center chapel

There are no words to describe the impact the retreat has on all those lucky enough to go on it, but I will try my best. Since it was a church retreat, it was centered around God. However, never in the way any other retreat or church camp has been, at least for me. Kairos is not a retreat where you learn the rules of the religion and are lectured about what is right and how to exactly follow the Bible. The adults and leaders of the small group allow the kids on the retreat to hear a passage and interrupt it for themselves. The message of the passages are usually very clear, but little details and opinions vary from person to person. Through doing this, ***Kairos allows you to take your religion and make it your own***, to embrace every passage and every guideline there is to offer. After Kairos, I started going to church every Sunday because I wanted to. ***Mass***



There are so many ways to pray, each according to his or her own path

was no longer an hour I dreaded, but an hour I never wanted to end. After allowing myself to fully engage in something that I had never experienced before, I loved going to church and learning more about the lessons God wants all his followers to know.

In addition to the religious aspects of it, Kairos allowed me to bond with people I would have never met. The three days of being so far removed from daily reality is eye opening. Throughout high school, people tend to only hang out with people in their friend group, and very rarely interact with others outside of class or sports teams. My Kairos small group included six other retreatants I did not know, two teenage leaders and two adult leaders. I am amazed how close and comfortable I got with every person in my group by the end of the

Family & Teen Faith

weekend. We were no longer strangers, we knew each other's fears, dreams and secrets. I was able to



The small group sharing lies at the heart of the Kairois experience and these relationships continue to be important long after the retreat itself ends.

to completely be myself with a group of people that had been strangers to me just a few days before. I have always been a pretty private person keeping my problems to myself. Kairois was the first time I felt comfortable enough to open up to people about things I had never talked about, even if they seemed insignificant. It is amazing that in such a short time, I found the comfort to talk about myself in ways I had not with my friends I had known my whole life. It sounds strange, but there really is something special about being removed from daily reality for a couple of days to focus on yourself and others. There was not a single second I was worried about missing out on anything with my friends back home. Nor did I find myself craving to check social media to catch up on everyone's daily tasks.

Life when I got home, was just happier. I felt happier inside and better about myself. There is an ongoing joke that the kids are on a "Kai High" when they return home because everyone is fulfilled from the amazing past few days. I will not go into detail about the many experiences on Kairois that truly changed, because I do not wish to spoil it for someone who has not been on it yet. Kairois is not a retreat that will change into someone that obsesses over the Bible or only hangs out with people from church, but it does change your outlook at life. It opens doors to new friendships while still upholding old ones, making it the best of both

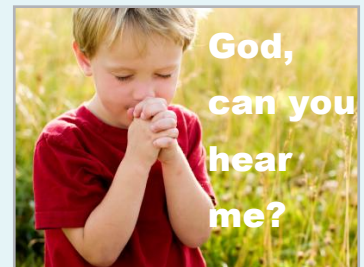
worlds. I am forever grateful I decided to go and throw myself into every activity in order to get the full benefits from the retreat.

I urge everyone that has the chance to go, TAKE IT! You will never regret it, nothing but good comes from it.

Holy Family offers two Kairois retreats each year, one in the fall and one in the spring, involving 90 to 100 teens annually. All high school juniors and seniors and their friends are welcome to attend. The parish subsidizes this retreat on average \$15,000.00 annually over and above what the retreatants contribute so that all teens who want to participate can.

Adults are always needed to be part of the retreat team or assist behind the scenes. If this is something you might be interested contact the Teen Faith Office.

If you would be willing to provide a scholarship for a teen wishing to attend Kairois let us know.



FAMILY FAITH'S 2018 LENTEN PRAYER FESTIVAL

Sunday, March 18, 2018
10:30 am - 12 noon OR 5:20 - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 21, 2018
4:30 - 6:00 pm

All children ages 3-12 are invited to attend the festival. Parents if your younger children come why not follow up by reading Joyce Meyers' (New York Times bestselling author) book *Every Which Way to Pray* with them.



I know that God works in strange ways, and that his ways are not ours. So I don't mind telling you that the art installation in the Narthex took me aback. Images flooded back, memories returned of the time I spent working in inner city neighborhoods, teaching in inner city schools. I remembered the places I have been that ooze despair, where death and decay are on full display and no one stops to cover up the mess. Places where blood stains the pavement and graffiti proclaims the everyday misery of people's lives. The sights and smells and sounds of darkness and fear returned unbidden.



I saw again the children who play amongst the debris of violence - hypodermic

needles, broken glass, used condoms, rotting food, broken furniture, rusty metal... I heard again their squeals of laughter peppered with vile obscenities. I watched in my minds-eye children navigate their way to school amongst the addicts, the homeless, the mentally ill, the gang members. I saw the chain link fencing and yellow police tape surrounding the latest crime scenes and recalled the boarded up buildings officially declared unsafe, unfit for human habitation in which some of my students lived. And my eyes welled up with tears.

Arriving on Ash Wednesday my heart clenched as I gazed at the cross framing the faces of those gunned down, lives snuffed out by drugs and gangs and desperation. Pray, fast, give alms, really? In the face of such tragedy this is what you want from me? You want me to engage in washed-up, washed out spiritual practices when the world is falling apart?

Yes, this is what the Lord requires, I heard the scriptures announce. I was to pray fervently as if every life depends on my prayer. Fast from all the ways I might in some small way contribute to the violence, or shelter myself from the pain or try to inoculate myself through privilege. I was to give all I had not waiting to see if another would step up first. For this is not *“their”* story this is *“our”* story. ***A modern-day Passion writ large.***

This is what it means to be a disciple of Christ's, one who comforts those who mourn, hungers for justice, weeps with those who weep, heals the sick and casts out demons. And if I thought that violence can be contained, despair limited, as long as I found refuge in a safe place, my heart was broken open by suburban teens in Florida whose lives were shattered, for teachers



whose greatest fear became real in a new Valentines' Day massacre, for parents who now face unspeakable sorrow.

Yes Lord, I will pray, I will fast, I will give all that I have to stand up against evil this Lent. **I will teach the little ones in my care to be kind, to seek fairness, to be peacemakers** and tell them in doing so they will perform miracles of love and be hope for a broken world.

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The Human Concerns Community... offers assistance with life's basic needs, spiritual and emotional support as well as additional resources with partners in our community while promoting mercy and justice by putting our faith into action.

As one of the faith communities supporting the work of our Spring of Life Partnership of Habitat for Humanity, we want to thank you for all you do to make affordable housing a reality. Our Partnership team has built or rehabbed 15 homes and is currently working on our 16th!! It's a brand new home in Des Plaines.

No One Gets a Free Home

Daisy, our partner homeowner for the Des Plaines home is a single mom of three children. The family is so excited to be able to afford this home. They have worked almost every week with our volunteer construction crew—a great way to learn how to be a responsible homeowner.

You may not know that Habitat homes are purchased by families who not only meet financial requirements, but also who also work alongside our Spring of Life volunteers on the construction team. Each adult homeowner puts in at least 250 hours on their home.

Spring of Life Partnership Role

Our partnership provides all the labor and up to \$35,000 on each home we build. We raise this money through a variety of sources, from individual donations to faith community contributions. For the last three years, we've held a very successful fundraiser called Building in Faith, Brick by Brick. Many of you supported these events, for which we are truly grateful.

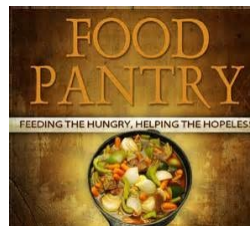
A Time of Reflection

As we enter this Lenten season, we reflect on the many blessings we have—many of them given by faith communities like Holy Family. On behalf of the families you have helped, God bless you and thank you for your past support.

To find out more about us, contact Larry Buettner at Larrybuettner@comcast.net or visit our website at <http://www.springoflifehabitat.org>.

Holy Family Parishioners – Drive Cautiously in the Parking Lot

Every Sunday evening until the last weekend in April, Holy Family hosts a PADS site for our homeless friends to provide them with a nutritious meal and a safe and warm place to sleep. Be aware that our guests arrive on foot, on bikes as well as in automobiles. They are traveling along Palatine Road in the darkness of the evening hours and are difficult to see at times. Please drive slowly and use extra caution as you leave the church through the parking lot and onto Palatine Road. We want our guests to arrive safely. Thank You!



FOOD PANTRY REPORT January, 2018

Ten families, including 27 individuals, were served 780 meals. Thanks to our parishioners and St. Theresa parishioners that continuously bring food to the shopping cart each week.

Approximately 115 bags of food were collected! We are truly blessed to have such generous donors. All of our food pantry clients are so appreciative of the foods and other products you donate for their use. Thanks, also, to our pantry stewards who serve our clients with compassion and dignity. See the food pantry door for items in short supply.

HOLY FAMILY HOSTS NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP Wednesday, March 7 from 7-8:30pm

Once a month on the 1st Wednesday of the month, Holy Family will host NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Family Support Group. This support group is designed for families and friends of people with mental health issues. Support groups can be very helpful, especially for those going through a crisis. All of these groups are available at no charge, no reservation needed. For more information contact Dan at 847-991-6255 or go to www.namiba.org.

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.

The Austin neighborhood is located on Chicago’s west side and has a population of 97,643. The median income is \$33,231 with 29.1% living below the poverty level. 33% have less than a high school education and there are 87.3 homicides per 100,000 people. **The Peace Corner Youth Center** was originally established to provide the neighborhood youth a safe haven from gang violence and drug dealing. The Peace Corner has grown into a community center that provides employment services, GED class referrals, basic skill development, recreational programming, legal counseling, mentoring, tutoring, and hope for all that are willing to take a step in a positive direction.

Visit www.thepeacecorner.org for more information.



LENTEN FISH FRY AT HOLY FAMILY Fridays, 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.**

EASTER HOLIDAY SHARING TIME IS HERE!

Warm the hearts of over 400 special children and adults this Easter participating in our Basket Full of Love Easter Holiday Sharing drive. It’s easy - Select a sharing tag (or 2) for an individual child/adult or choose to support a wish from one of our sponsored organizations. Shop for requested items or create an age appropriate Easter basket filled with healthy treats, candy and fun items. Return wrapped gift/basket to the chapel hallway. Your generosity gives joy and hope to the individuals served by Catholic Charities, Little City, St. Joseph’s Home, St. Mary’s Services and WINGS.

Easter is early this year so please bring in your Easter basket(s) and gifts by **Monday, March 15th**. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUING GENEROSITY AND COMPASSION FOR THOSE IN NEED.** Questions? Contact Barb Stec. bstec58622@aol.com



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Larry Buettner
Larrybuettner@comcast.net
www.springoflifehabitat.org

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www.journeystheroadhome.org
847-963-9163

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http://www.misionsanjuandiego.org

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www.littlesistersofthepoorpalatine.org
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Chicago Voyagers

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WINGS (Giving Flight to Hopes and Dreams)

The mission of WINGS is to provide a continuum of integrated services in an effort to end domestic violence and homelessness one family at a time.
www.wingsprogram.com
847-519-7820

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

AMITA Health Behavioral Medicine

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
mickeydan@comcast.net

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 Kvitek: kathykv2@gmail.com
630-697-1655

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

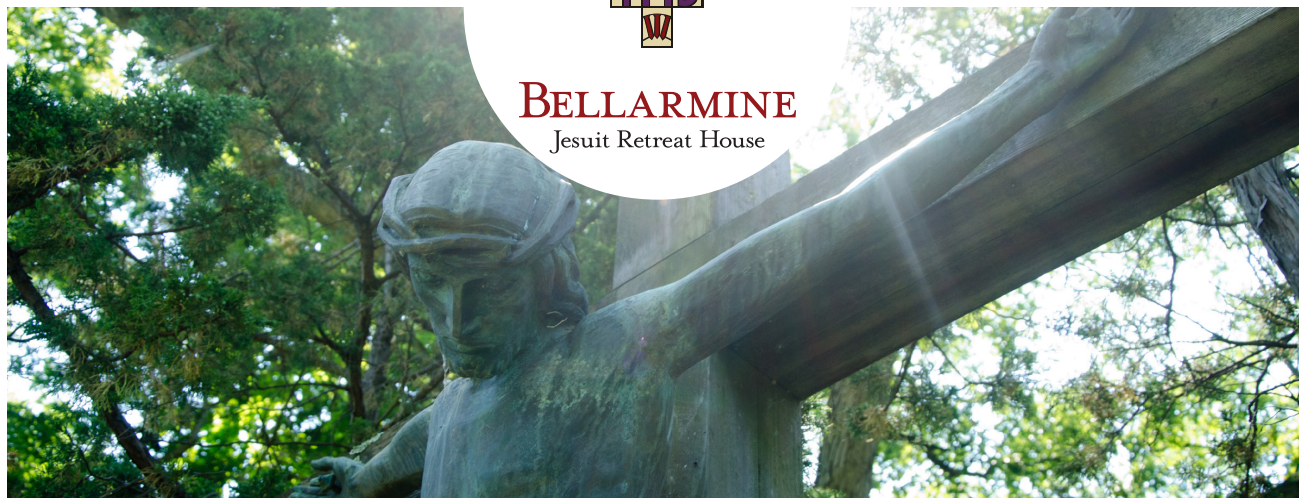
US TOO International (prostate cancer support)

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

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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 violence prevention initiative (endorsed by Pope Francis) targeting vulnerable, at-risk youth in Chicago’s most troubled neighborhoods. Although “Violence Prevention” 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 and The Peace Corner Youth Center on the west side.

Strong Futures first began in June, 2016 as a pilot by the City of Chicago and Department of Family and Support Services (DFSS) in partnership with St. Sabina Church. Strong Futures addresses the needs of disconnected youth and young adults, between the ages of 18-28, who are justice-involved and/or have other barriers to stability, by connecting them with full-time employment. Strong Futures provides intensive coaching, comprehensive wrap-around services, and support that will enable them to stabilize economically, retain employment, and develop into productive, responsible contributors in society.

Visit www.saintsabinapeacemakers.org/strong-futures for more information.

The Peace Corner Youth Center is located in the Austin neighborhood on Chicago’s Westside. Originally established to provide the neighborhood youth a safe haven from gang violence and drug dealing, The Peace Corner has grown into a community center that provides employment services, GED class referrals, basic skill development, recreational programming, legal counseling, mentoring, tutoring, and hope for all that are willing to take a step in a positive direction.

Visit www.thepeacecorner.org for more information.

Strong Futures and **The Peace Corner Youth Center** both have impressive histories and proven results. They arm young people with the fortitude, skills and support needed to avoid the pitfalls of drugs, gangs, and violence. 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 both programs.

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

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

“Peaceful Pathways” upcoming events:

Wednesday, February 28, 7:00pm – G-Dog Movie Night –
Fr. Greg Boyle, S.J. gives gang members a second chance at life

Tuesday, March 6, 9:45am – 11:15am
Tattoos on the Heart by Fr. Greg Boyle, S.J.- Book Discussion led by Marsha Adamczyk

Thursday, March 8, 7:00pm – Fr. Mike Pflieger, Pastor of St. Sabina
Fr. Pflieger will share insights on the Strong Futures Program

Sunday, March 11 at 9:00am Mass – Cardinal Cupich
The Cardinal will preside at Mass and speak about the Violence Prevention Initiative