



About Us

Holy Family Catholic Community 2515 Palatine Rd. Inverness, IL 60067 847-359-0042 (ph) 847-359-0639 (fax) holyfamilyparish.org Fr. Terry Keehan *Pastor* Fr. Richard Jakubik *Associate Pastor* Fr. Medard Laz *Pastor Emeritus*

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. | | | |
| <i>inday</i> 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 | | | | |

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 |
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| Friar Johnpaul Cafiero | Fr. Bill Zavaski |
| Fr. Denis Carneiro | |

Deacon Dennis Brown, Pastoral Associate

Pastoral Council

| e-mail: cour | ncil@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

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The Finance Council of Holy Family meets quarterly and its current members are: Ken Aman - Chair Jim Vande Logt Randy Olech Chet Zara

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Fr. Terry Keehan

We have welcomed many special guests to Holy Family recently who have each expressed profound gratitude for our partnership with them in the Violence Prevention Initiative. Fr. Mike Pfleger very passionately and personally shared many of the challenges that he sees to building Peaceful Pathways in his neighborhood and the larger community of Chicago and surrounding suburbs during his presentation here last Thursday evening. You may or may not know that Mike adopted three boys and one of them, Jarvis, was shot and killed by gun violence. I don't think that you could get any more personal motivation than the pain of losing a child in the addressing of the many complex issues that can lead to violence. Our support of the Strong Futures program at St. Sabina, where Mike is the pastor, flows from the great work that this program does in assisting young men in developing life skills and receiving support that leads to jobs and a more stable life style.

We welcomed Phil Andrew who is the newly appointed Director of the Archdiocese of Chicago's Violence Prevention Initiative. Holy Family was the first parish that Phil visited and he continues to be very appreciative that we are leading the way for parish efforts in violence prevention.

This past weekend we also welcomed Kathy Donahue, Director of Programs, and Mike Waters, Northwest Regional Director, both from Catholic Charities who also are very grateful for our support of the Peace Corner, one of their programs on the west side of Chicago in the Austin neighborhood. The Peace Corner focuses more on support for youth and engages them in many activities including athletics, teaching young people life skills and providing education that challenges many pressures in the community that often lead to gun violence. The Peace Corner provides nutritional meals that we are giving to his Violence Prevention Initiative. He is very impressed with the unique and passionate way that we are able to tell stories and convey the importance of this and other events and endeavors through technology, our screens and the creative use of our space, including the sacred space of our church.

SO... We have been telling the story of the Strong Futures Program and The Peace Corner and, as in past Lents, we have used the first few weeks of this season to share the information and tell the stories, NOW is the time that we ask for your financial support for our Lenten Social Justice Project. Envelopes for your donations can be found on the shelves in the Narthex or near the basket in or the display in the narthex. You may then place your donation in the basket in front of the altar.

As you may recall, I was planning on taking a six month sabbatical beginning last August and lasting until Christmas. With my mom's decline in health and eventual death, I postponed my plans. I have requested and been granted a two month mini-sabbatical beginning April 2 lasting until June 9. My plans include extended time at four retreat houses, two local, one in Wyoming and one in Montana. My schedule will enable me to be back here at Holy Family for important events including Confirmation, First Communions and HFCA Graduation.

I look forward to this time away that will enable me to write and finish some other projects. Fr Rich Jakubik will be available for Masses, funerals and additional administrative needs. In addition, Fr. Bill Zavaski and other priests have generously offered to preside at Masses and other sacramental celebrations in my absence. Even though I welcome some time away, I will miss being with you and, as always, ask for your prayers and know that you will constantly be in mine.

and a safe place for children to grow and be supported. As you heard in one of our video presentations, it is the ONLY program of its kind in Austin, so our support is vital to their mission and their growth.

We also welcomed Cardinal Cupich last Sunday and he personally expressed his gratitude for the support



Pictured above: Gene Garcia, Sue Geegan, Cardinal Cupich, Kathy Donahue, Mike Waters, Fr. Terry Keehan, Deacon Dennis Brown

Let us continue to pray for and support our Candidates and Catechumen who are on a journey towards full communion with us here at Holy Family and the Church throughout the world: Anthony Suubi (Elect/Catechumen), Andrea Ruetten, Amanda Cummings, Timothy Esposito, Penelope Ffitch-Heyes and Randall Gurvitz.

Liturgical Arts

Gene Garcia Director of Liturgical Arts 847-907-3434 ggarcia@ holyfamilyparish.org

Deacon

Dennis Brown Pastoral Associate 847-907-3440 dbrown@ holyfamilyparish.org

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.

Be Ready for Palm Sunday -Learn the Art of Palm Weaving!

The Art & Environment Ministry is pleased to offer this basic palm weaving class. Start with the Traditional Cross and then move on to the Artichoke. One class only! Sunday, March 18th, after the 11:00 am Mass. Meet in the Narthex. Class size limited to 20, so register early.

Contact Mary Rubino at 847-885-1154 or email maryrubino@flash.net.

On the day of the class, please bring scissors (not your best pair) and a stapler. Free will offering.



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 3-25-18 and listen to Fr. Rich Jakubik reflect on the readings.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

1. In our first reading, Isaiah says: "The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word." Have there been times when you have sustained the weary with your words? What other tools have you used to help others?

2. Have you ever "set your face like flint" and followed your convictions in the face of rebuke or rejection? Have you felt God's strength?

3. Paul tells us that Christ emptied himself for us, and we too must empty ourselves for others. How do we do that? Where do we do that?

4. As you read the Passion Gospel of Mark, what one or two passages moved you the most? Please share what they were and why they moved you?



Liturgical Arts



Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday, March 29

7:30pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Eucharistic Adoration until Midnight

Good Friday, March 30

Passion Play by Holy Family Teens followed by Veneration of the Cross 12:00pm - Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ 3:00pm - Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ with Word & Communion Service 7:30pm Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Holy Saturday, March 31

10:00am - Blessing of Easter Baskets, Gym 11:30am - Easter Egg Hunt 8:00pm - Easter Vigil (*no 5:00pm Mass*)

Easter Sunday, April 1

6:30am - Sunrise Mass in Church 8:00am - Mass in Church 10:00am - Three Masses in Church, Multitorium & Social Center Noon - Mass in Church (*No 4:00pm Mass*)

Lenten Reconciliation Opportunities

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

Liturgical Arts

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 19

9:00AM Harry & Elizabeth Pawlowski (Pawlowski Family)
9:00AM Jesse Mix (Daughter)
7:00PM Michael Zade (Mom & Dad)

Tuesday, March 20

9:00AM Philippe Paragas (Family)9:00AM John R. Kinzig (Family)9:00AM Elizabeth Faul (Family)

Wednesday, March 21

9:00AM Edward Krupa (Family)9:00AM Mark Rolfe (Holy Family Staff)9:00AM Mary Ann Grzenia (Friends)7:00PM Karen Lewis (Diane Roisland)

Thursday, March 22

9:00AM Edward Kupczyk (Carol Romer)

Friday, March 23

9:00AM Kenneth Holden (Mary Glass) 9:00AM Debbie Jasin (Jim & Sharon Hartman)

Saturday, March 24

5:00PM Anthony Gallagher (Main Family)
5:00PM Anthony & Mary Callozzo (Family)
5:00PM Eleanor & Harold Haben (Family)
5:00PM Agnes & Constanty Obrochta (Family)

Sunday, March 25

7:30AM Tony Capalbo (Mike & Marie Colby) 7:30AM Jerry Seaman (Ron & Kathy Wojewoda)

9:00AM Diane DiBiase (Nicole Makhlouf)9:00AM Tony Capalbo (SCC Prayer Group)9:00AM Phillip LaSpina (Dr. Karen Aderinto)

11:00AM Arnaldo Derecho (Lou Pamplona)11:00AM Gavina Estaban Quirante (Lou Pamplona)11:00AM Bill Liesse (Dan Kubera Family)

Mass intentions are available by contacting the Parish Office



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

* Jack Lynch

* Fred Neal

* Elizabeth North

- * Jesse Mix
- * Geraldine Seaman* Dennis Siebold
- * Bernard Strittmatter

"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...

Darlene Conrad Anthony Filippini Jonathan Kirkwood Tom Maag Susan Murray Sarah Lauren Scienski Michael Speros Charlotte Strohmeyer Reynaldo Sygaco Kathleen Walsh

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 Lt. Commander Christine Plecki - US Navy Pvt. Theodore Rogers - US Army Airman Zachary L. Schirmer – US Navy Capt. Nick Lewis-Walls - US Army

Weekly Readings

Monday, March 19

2 Samuel 7: 4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Romans 4: 13, ,16-18, 22 Matthew 1: 16, 18-21, 24a **Tuesday, March 20** Numbers 21: 4-9 John 8: 21-30 **Wednesday, March 21** Daniel 3: 14-20, 91-92, 95 John 8: 31-42 **Thursday, March 22** Genesis 17: 3-9 John 8: 51-59 Friday, March 23 Jeremiah 20: 10-13 John 10: 31-42 Saturday, March 24 Ezekial 37: 21-28 John 11: 45-56 Sunday, March 25 Isaiah 50: 4-7 Philippians 2: 6-11 Mark 14: 1—15: 47

March 18, 2018

Parish Support & Services

| Ro Geisler | SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|-----|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| Parish Manager | | ATTENDANCE | COL | LECTIONS | |
| 847-907-3424 rgeisler | Feb 18 | 1,903 | \$ | 21,658 | |
| @holyfamilyparish.org | Feb 25 | 2,010 | \$ | 71,925 * | Receptor Recyclobic * Receptor |
| | Mar 4 | 2,129 | \$ | 51,172 * | |
| The Parish Support & Services | Mar 11 | 2,151 | \$ | 34,851 | Consider increasing |
| Community | Total | 8,193 | \$ | 179,606 | your |
| oversees the parish business and | Last year | 8,879 | | | weekly donation by |
| infrastructure activities to ensure they operate | Year to Date Sunday | Collections | \$ | 1,472,785 | the cost |
| efficiently. | Year to Date Budget | | \$ | 1,392,903 | of one |
| | cup per | | | | |

Recording Secretary

Our Pastoral Council is looking for a volunteer Minutes Secretary or Court Reporter to take minutes at the monthly meetings. The Council meets on the third Tuesday of the month from 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

If you are interested, please e-mail Ro Geisler at rgeisler@holyfamilyparish.org. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!

Help Wanted

Holy Family Catholic Community has a staff opening in the Maintenance Department for an individual with experience in

General Maintenance – Part-time

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

Attention: Electronic Donors -

week.

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.

Adult Faith

Mary Whiteside Director 847-907-3450 mwhiteside @holyfamilyparish.org

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

"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@holyfamilyparish.org

Bible Journey – Spring Session "God as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier in the Bible"

Presented by Dr. Pauline Viviano March 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



"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@holyfamilyparish.org

Adult Faith

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.

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"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



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

Adult Faith

The Christ of the Miracle Stories Presented by Wendy Cotter, CSJ, Ph.D.



Tuesdays, May 15, 22, and 29, 2018 7:00-9:00 pm

Cost: Suggested donation of \$10 per evening

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

Weddings at Holy Family

Wedding season will soon be upon us! Here are a few frequently asked questions about weddings at Holy Family:

How do I schedule a wedding at Holy Family?

To schedule a wedding, contact Paula Nowicki in the Pastor's office. Paula has the most up to date information about available wedding dates and times. Our weddings are scheduled on Fridays at 5:00 pm and on Saturdays at 12:30 pm or 2:30 pm. Please be sure to book your date through the church before securing a reception venue. Paula can be reached at pnowicki@holyfamilyparish.org or 847-907-3416.

Who provides the music for weddings at Holy Family?

Our music office will happily assist you with the selection of professional musicians/vocalists as well as the selection of songs for your wedding. The fees for musicians/vocalists are not included in your wedding fee.

For more information about wedding music, contact Kristen at weddingmusic@holyfamilyparish.org.

Am I allowed to change the decorations in the church for my wedding?

Our church environment reflects the liturgical season and therefore can't be changed for weddings. You are welcome to add flowers (placed according to the guidelines outlined in our wedding manual) in the church, and bows on the pews. Runners are not allowed because they are a slipping hazard on our tile floor.

• What is included in our wedding package?

§ You will have a one hour wedding with 30 minutes for set-up beforehand (done by our wedding ministers) and 30 minutes for photos in the church after the ceremony/Mass.

§ You may attend a Wedding Orientation and you will receive a wedding manual to answer any questions you may have

§ A sound technician will be in the loft for your wedding to handle all sound needs.

§ Wedding Ministers will review your wedding day liturgy plan with you, conduct the wedding rehearsal, set-up for the wedding and clean up after the wedding, and assist in any way during the wedding.

§ Kristen Berryhill from our Music Office will be available to help you with any wedding music questions and to assist with choosing musicians and songs.

Family & Teen Faith



Spirit Camp 2018

We're about to leave the harbor! Additional crew members needed! We are in the process of forming our Spirit Camp (VBS) leadership team and thought you might be a perfect addition to the gang! What's summer without camp? And this year Holy Family's

Spirit Camp (VBS) is going to be amazing!

We're sending out a message to let the adults and teens of Holy Family to let you know how you can help.

Here's what we need

Snacks are essential if you're shipwrecked! We need folks



to lead this area of Spirit Camp. This team is responsible for planning snacks for each day. You seek donations from local businesses as well as purchase snacks. **Starbucks, Peterson's Bakery and AMC, just to mention a few, LOVE helping out.** There is typically one snack for the kids and a different one for adults. Your volunteer crew will consist of both adults and teens who will help serve the snacks and clean up. The biggest part of your job takes place in the pre-camp planning.

Curriculum: These leaders start with a manual and lesson plans for each day. The lessons are built around creating an environment that allows kids to feel like they are "in" a Bible story. Instructions in the manual tell you exactly how to decorate the room and how to get kids involved in the story. There may be some role playing involved in the lesson but if that is not your gift you can recruit someone else to do that part.

Imagination station: We already have one leader committed to this area and she is a veteran returning from last year. A second and/or third leader is needed to help her plan this area. Imagination station is the area where kids might do science experiments or hands on activities related to the theme of the day. You will have a manual with suggestions for each day you can choose to follow or make your own.

Decorations Leader: These folks are responsible for planning and directing the decorating efforts of camp. Holy Family is the envy of most of the VBS programs in the area because of the environment we create for Spirit Camp. We have a start on this area – we already have a boat and custom painted screens of the seashore. We also have a treasure trove of stuff from previous camps we can re-purpose and of course the publisher provides tons of ideas and props we can purchase. If you're creative and a little zany this is your area.

We need all hands on deck!

If you can help contact Laura Ferlita, 847-907-3436 <u>lferlita@holyfamilyparish.org</u>

Family & Teen Faith



Parish Provides FAMILY & TEEN FAITH big lift to Integrate Technology into Faith Formation

In a recent blog post Danny Moreco, of SecureEdge Networks, writes, "Technology is everywhere--entwined in almost every part of our culture. It affects how we live, work, play, and most importantly learn." The current generation of digital natives are used to technology in classrooms. It is no secret that Religious Education often lacks technological aided instruction. The cost of these tools is often prohibitive and the field of technological aided instruction is

20 new Chrome Books purchased for Family Faith developing by leaps and bounds, which makes it hard for Religious Education Programs to keep pace. Yet the same reasons technological innovation is important in schools are the same for their use in Religious instruction.

It encourages collaboration among learners and teachers



 Gives learners and teachers access to an incredible amount of resources at a fraction the cost

Thanks to a \$5,000.00 grant from the Holy Family Foundation, Family & Teen Faith were able to purchase 20 new Chrome Books this year to be used at all grade levels, along with adaptors to allow them to sync up the technology already available on campus. As catechists become familiar with the range of things the Chrome Books can do, and additional

programs and apps become available for Religious Education the integration of these tools we prove even more valuable. Who knows, Holy Family folks may even be part of developing new programs and apps for faith-based learning.

Helps learners stay engaged

It is the intention of Family Faith to continue investing in technology for Faith Formation as time goes by in order to more effectively reach the children and teens of the parish. For now we want to say thank-you to the larger parish community for helping us to make this important upgrade.

A sincere and heartfelt



to the Knights of Columbus for paying the postage for the care packages our IGNITE teens prepared for our soldiers currently deployed in Iraq.



Family & Teen Faith





March 3-4, 2018 Journeys Overnight Hiking Program

The first weekend in March, ten Holy Family and St Malachy + Precious Blood (our sharing parish) teens and adults spent the weekend together exploring the outdoors and getting to know each other. After checking into our cabin in the woods, we picked our teen leaders for the day. They led the group in planning the rest of the day. We then played the game *Jenga* to get to

know each other before heading out. The group choose to push themselves and hiked 8 miles through the woods! Upon returning, we divided into teams for cooking and getting the campfire ready.

The second day started with breakfast and a discussion on privilege and our role in it. We headed back outside to explore the amazing canyon of Waterfall Glenn, including Rock Glenn

> waterfall. We finished with a prayer of thanks and are looking



forward to renewing friendships on our next adventure.

<u>Click here</u> to view all the pictures. Or go to:

(https://photos.app.goo.gl/onn93v2F4QKLVyh12)

Next up: overnight camping and caving May 5-6. Also, our summer sailing and wilderness canoe expeditions are now open to registration. Check out <u>https://holyfamilyparish.org/journeys/</u> for information on



all our programs.

HOLY FAMILY TEENS SPEAK OUT Do you ever wonder how teens view the impact Teen Faith programs have on their lives?

The fourth in our Lenten series is a reflection by *Camilla Mroczkowski*, Fremd class of 2017, now in her first year at DePaul University in Chicago. Camille writes about her experience of being a Eucharistic Minister. Currently 17 high school teens serve as Eucharistic Ministers here at Holy Family. Many others serve as EM's at their college/universities chapels and parishes.

In 1996, in the parish of Santa Maria y Caballito Almagro, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, a host was found to have living muscle tissue from a human heart. It was truly alive. Such 'Eucharistic miracles' though rare, have occurred throughout history and in many places. It is important to remember that only after intensive investigation, does the Church declare such a miracle. In this instance, the renowned scientist Ricardo Castanon Gomez, headed up the investigation.

As Catholics, we believe that the Eucharist presented at every mass undergoes transubstantiation. Simply put, we are able to witness bread and wine be transformed into the actual body and blood of Christ. We even undergo a transformation, ourselves. Every time we accept the body and blood of Jesus, we are both verbally and physically accepting Jesus Christ into our lives.

I cannot even fathom that God finds me worthy enough to be a part of such a process. As a Eucharistic Minister, you have the power to share in the blessed transformation of your parish family. You may call them by name and actually watch them experience God's glory, right before your very eyes. If seeing is believing, then God will allow you to see His will at work, and even engage you in helping Him in carrying out that work.

I was once told by a priest that "We come to receive the Eucharist to simultaneously receive healing." We aren't perfect because we are only human, but what a blessing it is to confidently share in imperfection, healing, and faith with believers just like you.



Through Eucharistic ministry, the Mass is experienced in a life-changing way. You realize that it is far more than simply being nourished at church. *You comprehend that God is present. He is with you. He is with everyone at the mass.* What greater gift could God give us undeserving humans than the gift of presence and the very privilege to give out His own body and blood? But don't take my word for it. Experience it for yourself. Become a Eucharistic Minister.

The story of the Eucharistic Miracle at *Santa Maria y Caballito Almagro in Buenos Aires* is told in detail in *Reason to Believe: A Personal Story* by Ron Tesoriero. The Auxiliary Bishop of Buenos Aires, Jorge Mario Bergoglio, now Pope Francis, was part of the scientific investigation.

Holy Family Academy

Kate O'Brien Principal 847-907-3452 KObrien@holyfamilyparish.org

Holy Family Catholic

Academy.... offers an innovative curriculum that focuses on cultivating critical thinking, problem solving and teamwork.

New family applications available now!

Visit our website at hfcacademy.org

Our Parish School prepares students to be:

"Thinkers, leaders, grounded in faith."

To learn more about classes in 2-yr.old preschool through Grade 8 or schedule a tour please contact:

Deb Atkins 847-907-3461 datkins@holyfamilyparish.org



HFCA Celebrates St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day is a day for the wearin' of the green and enjoying our very own students perform with the Trinity Irish Dancers. Everyone is Irish on this festive day!



Such a treat to cheer on our own HFCA Irish Dancers ranging in age for kindergarten through grade 7.



Everyone took part in the fun by learning a little Irish jig.

Check our our video posted on our Facebook page. https://goo.gl/Ny55si

Human Concerns

Catholic Charities New Hope Apartments A Transitional Housing Program for Homeless Families January, 2018 Update

Family #30

Sue Geegan Director 847-907-3443 sgeegan @holyfamilyparish.org

The Human

Community...

life's basic needs.

offers assistance with

spiritual and emotional support as well as

additional resources

with partners in our

promoting mercy and

justice by putting our

community while

faith into action.

Concerns

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 had a history of being homeless during her high school years.

Our mom is working on her goals and looking for another full time job. She is in desperate need of a car and is spending a lot of money on transportation (Uber and Lyft). She hopes to buy a used car with her IRS refund check. She reports that her brother and sister assist her much as possible. Since she does not have transportation, she is looking into an online GED program to complete her certification. Her children are doing well and they are stable.

Goals:

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

This family is happy to be a part of the Peace and Justice Cluster and thankful for our support.

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.

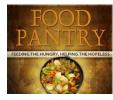
Our mom has not yet been able to resolve her issues with the State and does not have health insurance or food stamps at this time. She feels an increase of income with her recent job promotion has left her ineligible for Medicaid and SNAP. She has appealed her case and is waiting for a response.

She reports that her job will send her to Texas for additional training and things are going well at work. She is still attending classes and doing well in school. She feels very stable and organized and reports that it has been a long time since she has felt like this.

Goals:

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

This family is grateful to have the support of the Peace and Justice Cluster. New Hope is proud to continue this collaboration assisting families in need.



FOOD PANTRY REPORT February, 2018

Five families, including 14 individuals, were served 320 meals. Thanks to

our parishioners and St. Theresa parishioners that continuously bring food to the shopping cart each week. Approximately 83 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.

EASTER HOLIDAY SHARING GIFTS DUE BACK!

Easter is early this year so please bring in your Easter basket(s) and gifts by Monday, **March 19th** if you have not done so already. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUIING GENEROSITY AND COMPASSION FOR THOSE IN NEED. Questions? Contact Barb Stec. bstec58622@aol.com

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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!

DINNER & AUCTION SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018

The 29th Annual Hearts for Hope Dinner and Auction will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the Cotillion, 360 S. Creekside Drive, Palatine. Proceeds benefit Catholic Charities services in the northwest suburbs. Our Northwest Region office in Des Plaines provides food, clothing, shelter, counseling and other services to tens of thousands of people every year. The event features dinner, open bar, silent and live auctions and music by 7th Heaven, one of Chicago's most popular bands. Reservations are \$95 each or \$900 for tables of 10. Sponsorships are available.

Contact Mike Waters at (847) 376-2118 or mwaters@catholiccharities.net.

Holy Family Partnerships & Support Groups

Partnerships

Catholic Charities

Provides food, clothing, shelter, counseling and other services to those in need, bringing hope to the hopeless.

Mike Waters, NW Regional Director Des Plaines mwaters@catholiccharities.net 847-376-2100

Habitat for Humanity Spring of Life Partnership

Nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry. Provides interest free loans to families who qualify for affordable housing Larry Buettner Larrybuettner@comcast.net www.springoflifehabitat.org

Journeys the Road Home

At Journeys, we work to provide intervention and support to address the root cause of homelessness, and lead people back to a stable environment. Shelter through the PADS program October through April; job support, case management, food pantry, clothing room, Pathway Housing Readiness Program are a few offerings. www.journeystheroadhome.org 847-963-9163

Misíon San Juan Diego

Holy Family partners with this local Hispanic parish encouraging intercultural exchange. http://www.misionsanjuandiego.org

St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly

Staffed by Little Sisters of the Poor, provides assistance as they minister to the elderly economically disadvantaged in Palatine. www.littlesistersofthepoorpalatine. org 847-358-5700

Chicago Voyagers

An affiliate of Trips for Kids®, a nonprofit whose mission is to empower at-risk youth through outdoor experiential adventures that foster healthy relationships and responsible behavior in order to grow into successful, healthy adults. www.chicagovoyagers.org

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 10:00amnoon. 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

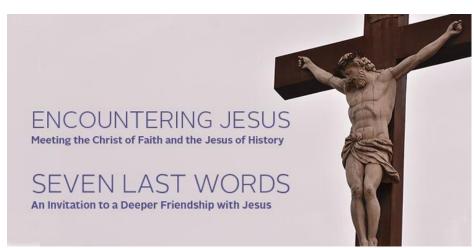
To Be Joyful Again

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

Of Special Note



The Archdiocese of Chicago is proud to host speaker, author, and Jesuit priest Father James Martin at Holy Name Cathedral, 730 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611 for these two events:

Encountering Jesus: Meeting the Christ of Faith and the Jesus of History *Thursday, March 22 at 7:00pm*

Father James Martin will be speaking on the humanity and divinity of Jesus. "Who do you say that I am?" That's the question that Jesus asked of his disciples. Even then they had a hard time answering. Come learn why the answer must involve both the historical Jesus, the man who walked the dusty roads of first-century Judea and Galilee, and the Christ of faith, the miracleworker now risen from the dead. Discover what it means to say that Jesus is "fully human and fully divine." Go to archchicago.org to register.

Seven Last Words: An Invitation to a Deeper Friendship with Jesus Friday, March 23 at 7:00pm

Father James Martin will talk about the last words of Jesus and how we can deepen our relationship with Christ. Jesus' "Seven Last Words," or seven last phrases he spoke from the Cross, offer us a privileged entree into his life. They also offer him a privileged entree into our own. Come enter more deeply into a relationship with the one who suffered, died and is now risen and alive, and find out why he understands you more than you might have ever imagined. Go to archehicago.org to register.



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Featuring:

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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.

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