



HOLY FAMILY
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
inviting all to new life in Christ

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Lent 2018

About Us

Holy Family

Catholic Community
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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.

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. Rich Jakubik



The recent shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, the 17 innocent lives lost, and the severely injured remain a focus of my prayer life. I have been reflecting a lot this Lent on how careless, violent actions and words can leave permanent scars on the hearts of God's people and take a lifetime to repair and overcome. On this Third Sunday of Lent, I am drawn to the teachings of Exodus on the 10 Commandments. Like many of you, I became familiar with these commandments in my childhood through my parents and religious educators. I was taught that these 10 commandments were a foundation for building healthy relationships within myself, God and others. Israel's ancient commandments address the very brokenness of our human nature that often compels us to *"treat people like things and things like people."*

The 10 Commandments remain an integral part of our faith and a much larger narrative of the Exodus story. God's chosen people are released from Egypt and freed from slavery. We hear these words prefacing the commandments in the Hebrew Scriptures: *"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."* Observance of the Law becomes a healthy and appropriate human response to God's all-encompassing love.

On any given day, you and I can find it difficult to observe God's words, keeping both the letter and the spirit of what God is asking of us. In conscientiously trying to observe the commandments, we need to remember that these commandments were given to a people whom God had already saved and loved. St. Paul reminds us that God has made foolish the wisdom of the world. As St. Paul grew spiritually, he began to understand the power of Christ's triumph on the cross and the problem of trying to earn God's approval by merely "keeping" the commandments.

St. Paul acknowledged that the law, indeed, sets out God's holy expectations of the way we should act towards Him and one another. Yet, the very way in which it redirects our attention and focus towards *our own* activity and away from God's activity is the law's weakness. In and of itself the law can't lead to newness of life. It doesn't resolve the inner conflict, the conflict within our soul. This insufficiency of the Law is a real issue in Jesus' ministry and teaching. Jesus is a controversial teacher

in John's Gospel. Today's Gospel narrative of how Jesus enters the Temple and chases out the money-changers and the animal-sellers is a good example. The confrontation between Jesus and the merchants is really a conflict over priorities. Who Jesus is and what he represents clashes with the values espoused by the religious institutional leaders. Jesus challenges them.

After chasing out those who had set up their businesses in the immediate Temple area, Jesus makes a mysterious reference to the destruction of the Temple and to its being "raised" up again. Generations later, you and I understand Jesus' words to be an image of his own death and resurrection, whereas the Jewish authorities think he literally means the Jerusalem Temple. Jesus saw that this human construction of this Temple had become the object of devotion: an idol, an end in itself, rather than the living God. Despite all the good things the Temple was supposed to represent, Jesus knew that, in their misplaced devotion to a building, people had let their focus be redirected away from the divine to the human. Despite the Temple's importance, people were giving to their rites, customs, holy places, even to their laws, the special devotion due only to God.

They missed entirely the spirit of the first commandment: *"You shall have no other gods before me."* Our religious practices and preferences, too, can, and often do, become lesser gods, idols, for us if we make them the chief objects of our devotion. The universal temptation is to become so preoccupied with the desire to excel and to succeed as "Christians" that we begin to focus on what we think we should do, rather than on the fact that, as Paul says, *"...Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God"* (1 Corinthians 1:24-25) has already spelled it out for us through his death and resurrection. The commandments are important words about what God intends for us. We and the society in which we live need to take them much more seriously than we do. That being said, the reality is that Christian faith and practice entails far more than rules and regulations. It has to do primarily with *relationships*. The commandments are observed by inner integrity and not by mere external compliance to a rule. That is why the entire Law can be contained in the injunction to love God and neighbor, because this is a religious observance that originates in the heart. Oscar Romero, the martyred Archbishop of El Salvador said it best: "Let us not measure the church by the numbers of its members or its material buildings. The church has built many houses of worship, many seminaries, many buildings that have been taken from her. They have been stolen and turned into libraries, and barracks and markets and other things. That doesn't matter. The material walls here will be left behind in history. What matters is you, the people, your hearts, God's grace giving you truth and life. Don't measure yourselves by your numbers. Measure yourselves by the sincerity of heart with which you follow the truth and light of our divine Redeemer." (December 19, 1977).

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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.



Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7:00pm

March 9 –

Led by

Pastoral Care Community

March 16 – Led by

Knights of Columbus

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/HFIInverness/videos>. Click on reflections for Sunday Readings 3-11-18 and listen to Friar Johnpaul Cafiero, OFM reflect on the readings.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

1. Chronicles is a summary of the history that was repeated over and over: People sin – God is merciful – people continue to sin – divine punishment follows. In the end, God shows the depth of His mercy and forgiveness. Is this pattern still true today? How does God's mercy continue to impact our lives?
2. King Cyrus is a surprising figure in Chronicles. It is often the person or situation that we least expect that reveals God's mercy to us. Can you share an example of this from your own life?
3. As Paul tells us: "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing." In light of this, what is the necessity of doing good works?
4. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." This may be the most widely known Gospel quote. What does it mean to you?
5. During this time of Lent, what can we do to make the light brighter in our lives and for those around us?



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, March 5

9:00AM Residents of Poplar Creek (Ministers of Care)
9:00AM Delores Aniol (Karen & Richard Hughes)
9:00AM Joseph Carubia (Marietta)

Tuesday, March 6

9:00AM Mary Bottalla (Family)
9:00AM Michael Hoy (Jim & Sharon Hartman)

Wednesday, March 7

9:00AM Patti Delafeld (Robak Family)
9:00AM Marek Dudkiewicz (Geri Epstein)
9:00AM John Sasuta (Petrie Family)

Thursday, March 8

9:00AM Special Intention (Simon Family)
9:00AM Melba Hartman (Jim & Sharon Hartman)

Friday, March 9

9:00AM Bob Nikodem (Knights of Columbus)
9:00AM Violeta Paragas (Roland-Paragas Family)

Saturday, March 10

5:00PM Stanley Szerszen (Connie & Jerry)
5:00PM Thomas Postema II (Family)
5:00PM Marion E. Cernansky (Family)

Sunday, March 11

7:30AM Robert Ouimette (Wedding Ministry)
7:30AM Antonio Chillelli (Family)
7:30AM Florence Robak (Adele & Bob Muncey)

9:00AM Edward Smith (Family)
9:00AM Irene Niedzinski (Duch Family)
9:00AM Warren Hack (Family)

11:00AM Gallagher Family (Main Family)
11:00AM John Brenner (Carol)
11:00AM Brian Healy (Anne & Lee Peterson)

4:00PM Rafael Rodriguez (Jackie Laboda)

Mass intentions are available
by contacting the Parish Office



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

* Mary Ellen Chwedyk * James Nemeth

* Zofia Kusnierewicz * Carol Olson

* Nancy Marturano * Alice Rafferty

"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

Dana Hansler

Joe Harrison

Ruth Jensen

Jonathan Kirkwood

Tom Maag

Joan Maestranzi

Susan Murray

Olivia Palumbo

Salvatore Pizzuto

Sarah

Lauren Scienski

Dennis Siebold

Michael Speros

Mary Tazelaar

Vincent Tunzi

Jack Vainisi

Kathleen Walsh

Lorrie Zurek

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 5

1 Kings 5: 1-15b

Luke 4: 24-30

Tuesday, March 6

Daniel 3: 25, 34-43

Matthew 18: 21-35

Wednesday, March 7

Deuteronomy 4: 1, 5-9

Matthew 5: 17-19

Thursday, March 8

Jeremiah 7: 23-28

Luke 11: 14-23

Friday, March 9

Hosea 14: 2-10

Mark 12: 28-34

Saturday, March 10

Hosea 6: 1-6

Luke 18: 9-14

Sunday, March 11

2 Chronicles 36:14-17a, 19-23

Ephesians 2: 4-10

John 3: 14-21

Parish Support & Services

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

Ro Geisler

Parish Manager

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The Parish Support
& Services

Community...

oversees the parish

business and

infrastructure activities

to ensure they operate

efficiently.

	ATTENDANCE	COLLECTIONS
Feb 4	1,594	\$ 19,732
Feb 11	1,691	\$ 51,765 *
Feb 18	1,903	\$ 21,658
Feb 25	2,010	\$ 71,925 *
Total	7,198	\$ 165,080
Last year	8,188	
Year to Date Sunday Collections		\$ 1,386,762
Year to Date Budget		\$ 1,353,928

* Includes online giving



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

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 – 8:30pm.

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 -

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.

Beloved Retreat

Mary Whiteside
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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.



Beloved Team 2018

Our Beloved Retreat that was held on the weekend of January 19-21, 2018 was a huge success and we are thankful to have added 36 new retreatants to our Beloved family of friends. We laughed, cried, prayed together, shared some fun, experienced radical generosity, and we left the retreat changed. Many thanks to our team and to all the participants who came with open hearts. We would also like to thank everyone who contributed to last year's Gala. We were able to make this retreat affordable for all because of your generosity! Always remember...
YOU ARE BELOVED.

Bible Journey – Spring Session

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

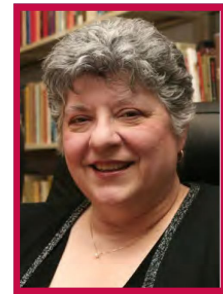
Presented by Dr. Pauline Viviano

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@holymfamilyparish.org



“The Four Commandments of Contentment”

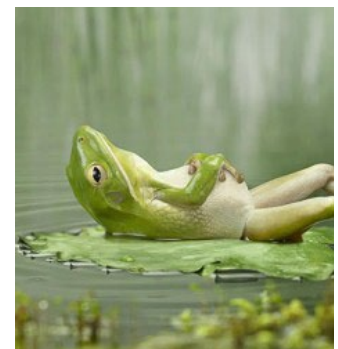
Presented by Fr. Ed Shea, OFM

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

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

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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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

“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

Lenten Book Discussion

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

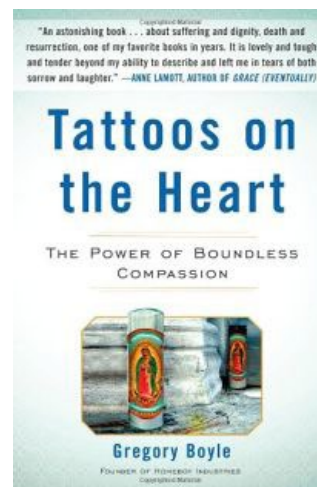
For twenty years, Fr. Gregory Boyle, S.J. has run Homeboy Industries, a gang-intervention program located in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles, the gang capital of the world. In *Tattoos on the Heart*, he distills his experience working in the ghetto into a breathtaking series of stories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



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 Family Bereavement Ministers, Funeral Ministers, Ministers of Care

You are invited to attend

39th Care for the Care-Giver Conference

Saturday, March 24, 2018

Amita Health Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village
Brother Philip Kennedy Conference Center

May peace and gift of the Risen Life be our gift to those
with whom we minister and share our presence.

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.

8:00 am: Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:35 am: Presentation by Friar Johnpaul Cafiero, OFM

11:45am: Lunch

Cost: Complimentary for Holy Family Ministers of Care & Bereavement/Funeral
Ministers

Space and seats are limited please register by March 13, 2018
Mimi Ferlita 847-907-3425 or mferlita@holyfamilyparish.org

Grief to New Life

We are looking for a team of people who have experienced loss of health, loss of a loved one, child, parent or other, to join us as we meet with others in solidarity and discovery of new life.

If you have experience grief and worked through the journey of loss, please call our Pastoral Care office to register to gather with others who have walked that same path.

Our gathering's intention is that of support with discovery, realizing newness and healing through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

To register call or go online:
Pastoral Care
Mimi Ferlita OFS
847-907-3425
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The Heart in Spiritual Direction

Q: What is Spiritual Direction?

A: It is a companionship of two or more people in trust, seeking awareness of God's will, through the Holy Spirit.

Q: What is a Spiritual Director?

A: A person who has accomplished study and certification through an approved program to listen and recognize God's voice. They have also personally experienced transformation through this spiritual journey with the Holy Spirit.

Q: How do they do this?

A: This person develops the art and skill to listen without a set of prescribed ideas, principles or intent, but instead hear and see God's working and presence in the life of another.

Q: Who is a candidate to enter Spiritual Direction?

A: One who seeks to stay authentic in their journey with the Holy Spirit and draws closer to God through their past and present life experiences.

Q: How long do I journey with the Spiritual Director?

A: Unique to each person, but practically as many one hour sessions as it takes to experience or feel refreshed in your spiritual journey and direction in your life.

Q: How do I know if Spiritual Direction is for me?

A: You are invited to "try it out".

We have a trained and certified Spiritual Director through the Institute of Spiritual Direction of Chicago, Loyola of New Orleans, Archdiocese of Chicago certified Lay Leadership programs and Secular Franciscan Order profession here at Holy Family. Call 847-907-3425.

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 Kairos 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. Kairos 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 Kairos that truly changed, because I do not wish to spoil it for someone who has not been on it yet. Kairos 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

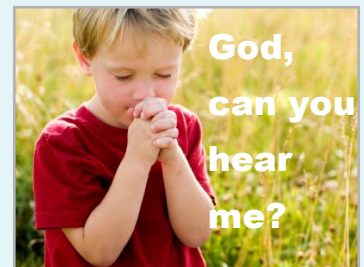
worlds. I am forever grateful I decided to go and throw myself into every activity in order to get the full benefits from the retreat.

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 Kairos 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 Kairos 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.

HOLY FAMILY TEENS SPEAK OUT

Do you ever wonder how teens view the impact Teen Faith programs have on their lives?

The second in our Lenten series comes from Jake Petrie's reflection on his experience of leadership through our Journeys program. Jake is a junior at Fremd.

Servant Leadership by Jake Petrie

A leader is someone who is able to bring a group through thick and thin. I never really thought of myself as a leader; I preferred to be told what to do instead of choosing what to do. I couldn't bring myself to make risky moves and challenge myself. It wasn't until a weeklong camping and canoeing trip with the Chicago Voyagers' Journeys program that I was able to become a leader.

My growth to becoming a leader started one day on my second CV trip. We were canoeing on lakes in the Minnesota Boundary Waters, and I marveled at the wonders of God's creation. Lush green trees surrounded the countless glassy lakes. The water was clear and cool while the refreshing summer breeze flitted over my skin. It was the perfect atmosphere for a time of reflection and faith.

A few days into the trip, our group found a campsite around lunchtime, so we had all afternoon to hang out and have fun. A couple of my friends and I tried to see how many people we could get to stand on the gunwales (sides) of the canoe. So we paddled out away from shore and climbed up on the canoe. After three of us were standing on the canoe we lost balance and tipped over.

The normal procedure for rescuing a canoe is to do a T-rescue with another canoe, but we only had the one canoe so we couldn't do that. We also could have swum it back to shore, but I was intent on flipping it back over so we could paddle back to shore. At first I was scared that no one would follow my lead because I had never taken charge before, but once I started telling them what to do they listened to me. It took a lot of work, but I finally was able to convince everyone to give it a try and lead the side and we were able to climb into the canoe. We were then able to paddle back to shore with our heads held

able to paddle back to shore with our heads held high. When we got back I realized that I had finally broken out of my shell and took charge of the group. This was the first time I stepped out of my comfort zone and took the role of leadership. My eyes were finally opened up to the possibility that I could be a leader.

Throughout the rest of the trip I became a leader in different ways, but I felt especially called to be a servant leader. I would sometimes take charge of the group. Other times, I was the supporter, helping people portage (carry) their canoes or make dinner. I would also allow others to grow in their leadership abilities by stepping back and letting others take charge or shine. For example, I really wanted to portage the heavy canoe from lake to lake all the time as a personal challenge, but I realized that sometimes it is more important to give others opportunities to grow. I realized that in that scenario, leadership meant stepping aside. Servant leaders put others first. This attitude helped me grow as a person throughout this trip and now throughout life.

Now as a junior at Fremd High School, I put my leadership skills from this trip into my everyday life. I currently am a choir sectional leader. This means that I lead the tenor section whenever our director isn't there. This was something I never would have taken the initiative to do before I went on this Chicago Voyagers trip.

Before Chicago Voyagers, I was someone who avoided leadership like the plague, I would much rather have been a follower than a leader. Now, with all of the confidence and experience I've gained through this program, I jump into leadership roles every chance I can. I only have been willing to accept these leadership roles because of what I learned on that Chicago Voyagers trip. I am so very grateful for my family, friends, and neighbors that have supported me to go on a CV adventure. I hope that everyone is able to experience such an amazing trip and learning opportunity like I have. I am extremely grateful for the chance to discover my leadership strengths through this amazing organization.

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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.

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, March 11**. 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.

For more information, please contact Sue Geegan at sgeegan@holymfamilyparish.org. We always need more 2nd shift volunteers and food donors, so please consider volunteering even if it's just once per month.

Holy Family's PADS ministry and the Inverness Police have a strong working relationship. They not only respond quickly to our calls for assistance, they also make it routine to come visit our sight and get to know the PADS guests by sharing a meal with them. Inverness Police Officer Mike Kirby went above and beyond by preparing and cooking Super Bowl Sunday dinner for 52 guests. Everything was made from scratch – even the lasagna sauce as well as the chocolate cheesecake and chocolate raspberry cake. Police Chief Bob Haas donated the ALL ingredients. Officer Kirby is pictured with his three wonderful kitchen helpers Sally, Ginny and Irene. **Thank you, Inverness Police.**



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 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 (www.saintsabinapeacemakers.org/strong-futures), and The Peace Corner Youth Center (www.thepeacecorner.org) on the west side.

The Auburn Gresham neighborhood is located on Chicago's south side with a population of 45,842. The median income is \$37,849 with 32.4% living below the poverty level. 39.6% have less than a high school education and there are 56.7 homicides per 100,000 people. **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.

Fr. Michael Pflieger, Senior Pastor at St. Sabina and an integral force in making Strong Futures a reality, **will be speaking at Holy Family on Thursday, March 8 at 7pm.** Come and be inspired by the impressive work being done by St. Sabina Parish to change lives, bringing hopeful futures to the youth and young adults in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood.

ONE IN LOVE (LGBT) MINISTRY EVENT SATURDAY, MARCH 10TH, 10AM - NOON Speaker: Kim Wood talks on the 'Clobber Texts' in the Bible

Reverend Kim Wood is pastor of Open Table United Church of Christ, an Open and Affirming congregation of the UCC in Ottawa, Illinois. She serves as an ONA Consultant in the UCC, and is also a trainer for the Building an Inclusive Church program through the Institute of Welcoming Resources of the National LGBTQ Task Force. Rev. Wood currently sits as the Vice President of the Illinois Conference, United Church of Christ.

Rev. Wood will present **Taking the Clobber out of the "Clobber Texts."** She will provide historical and contextual information about Biblical passages that are often used to slam, condemn, and marginalize people who are LGBTIQ and facilitate discussion about ways people of faith can stand up to the misuse of the Bible as a tool of discrimination and exclusion, instead, reclaiming it as a resource of God's love and justice.

All ARE INVITED to come for safe and respectful conversation. This ministry offers both community and communion for the LGBT community, their families, friends and allies. Please help us extend this invitation to others!

Coffee and light refreshments will be served. If you plan to attend or have questions, please contact Chris Evon at chris.evon@yahoo.com. (RSVP appreciated, but not necessary!)

LENTEN FISH FRY AT HOLY FAMILY Fridays, March 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.**

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www.wingsprogram.com
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Cathie: 847-255-3653

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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.
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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:
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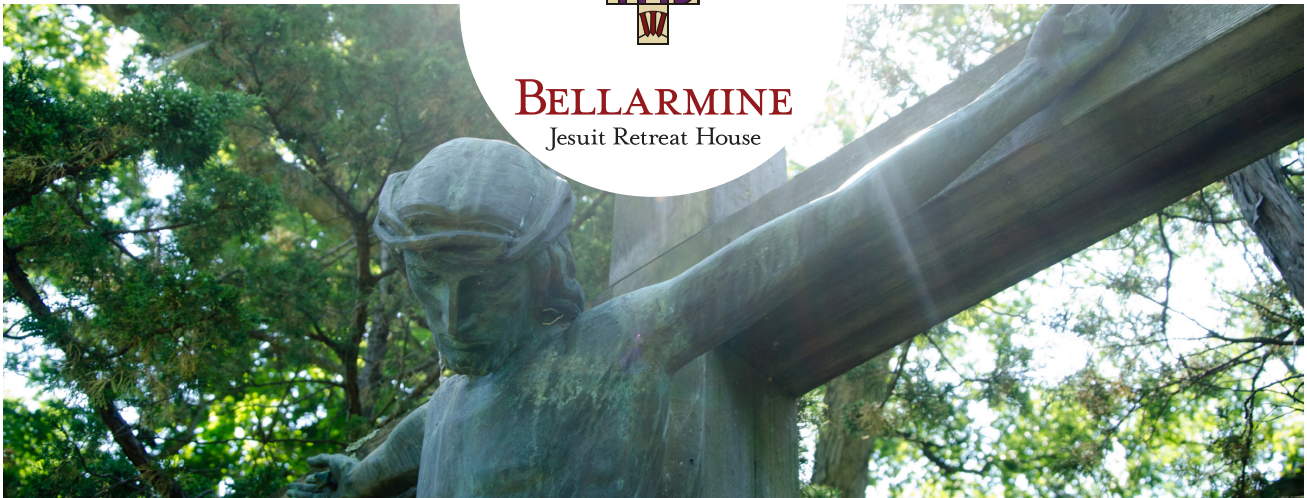
US TOO International (prostate cancer support)

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.
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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@holyfamilyparish.org for more information.

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

“Peaceful Pathways” upcoming events:

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