



Evening Prayer - Wednesday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10:00 a.m. Please join us.

# 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* Dennis Brown *Permanent Deacon* 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>Sunday</i> 7:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m. (interpreted for the				
hearing impaired); 11:00 a.m.; 4:00 p.m	l.			
Kid Church - 2nd and 4th Sunday of	the month			
at 10:15 in the chapel.				

Holy Days Varies; watch bulletin

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 BolserFr. GeFriar Johnpaul CafieroFr. PauFr. Denis CarneiroFr. Bill

Fr. George Kane Fr. Paul Sims, CR Fr. Bill Zavaski

#### **Pastoral Council**

e-mail: council@holyfamilyparish.org Mike Myers Chair Chad Archer (Deanery Rep) Fr. Terry Keehan Pastor (Staff) Bill Leece Adult Faith Pete Barber At Large (Pastor) Luis Gutierrez At Large (Pastor) Barb Knuth At Large (Council) Andrew Konopka At Large (Council) Rick Zanardo Family Faith Laura Clark Holy Family Academy Staff Mike Pazur Academy Parents Rep Greg Flanagan Knights of Columbus Sue Geegan Staff Joan Sloan Teen Faith (Adult Rep) Anthony Piasecki Teen Faith (Teen Rep) Kasia Meler 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:

Tim French	Elia Ponce-Tokarz
Randy Olech	Jim Vande Logt
Ron Sobon	Chet Zara - Chair

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# Fr. Rich Jakubik

#### Let us make Thanksgiving a prayer of love and gratitude.

The smell of turkey will soon permeate our homes as we gather together around dinner tables with extended family, neighbors and friends to celebrate our many blessings. Thanksgiving Day brings us closer together as a nation in which the rich tapestry of our uniqueness and diversity is celebrated. This Thanksgiving holiday here at Holy Family, we are given the opportunity to reflect on the meaning of the word "Thanksgiving" and its translation as Catholics to the word "eucharist." The word "eucharist" comes from the Greek words of "eucharistein" and "eulogein," recalling the Jewish blessing proclaimed at every sacred meal. Eucharist is the ongoing expression of God's work of creation, redemption, and sanctification in us and in the world.

As Catholics, the eucharistic meal of thanksgiving invites us to love one another today and every day. Whenever we choose to love, we are participating in the love of God. As we do so, we draw on God's presence more deeply in our daily life. In the words of St. Paul the Apostle, "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing and in all circumstances give thanks." When we give thanks, we learn to love. Today the Church calls us to give thanks through the Liturgy. In the gospel this Sunday, we hear Jesus' words: "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." Jesus invites us to think about the cataclysmic events that shake us in our world today. How is our faith being put to the test daily? Are experiences of rejection, suffering, death, loss, deprivation and emptiness leading us to give up on the Word of Life that we once received with joy? Are our concerns about money, success at work or in school, health, release from addiction, job security, status and recognition, family or relationships choking out the word of God which has been planted in our hearts? Are we gripped by passions such as anger, grief or lust which block us from following Jesus? Is there any joy left in our life?

This Thanksgiving, we are to focus on the bigger picture of salvation history as we face setbacks, losses and tragedies in our daily life. As Catholics, we are invited to respond to the dialectics of hope and gloom which often have a grip on our lives. That is why it is so important to be firmly established in the Word of God, to draw life from that Word and live in that Word. It is then that we realize the prophet Daniel's words: "But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever." Our faith community at Holy Family empowers us to engage in a single-minded prayer of love and gratitude that cannot be derailed by fear, grief, persecution, or deceptive powers at work in the world. All things are possible when we come to God in prayer.

Jesus shows us how to live a life of gratitude through the gift of Himself in the Eucharist, and makes all things possible and new. We rediscover how to be faithful to our call and continue the redemptive mission of Jesus Christ. Christ, who is Love Incarnate, has a hungering for us to share in the fullness of God's love. We are to give thanks and to love with the very love of God through which all human love is perfected, thus cultivating a disposition of gratitude and a way of living our lives in love for others. No matter how difficult the challenges we face, both individually and collectively, we have so much to be grateful for. As we give thanks, let us find the strength we need to love even more fully.

May the celebration of the eucharistic meal be an invitation to give thanks around one common dinner table. We share the familiar stories of God's Word about the past and how it remains a part of our future. Even in the midst of the struggles we face as a church and nation, we are truly a blessed people. He is the source of all that is good. As the beloved disciple John said, "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God."

As the day of Thanksgiving unfolds, let us carry the prayer of gratitude and love with us. Let us live it, give it! It doesn't have to end when we say grace over the turkey. In fact, it doesn't end in one day. God's gifts certainly won't. Every beat of our heart affirms an unmistakable mystery, an extravagant, wonderful, painful, tumultuous, and challenging *life*. Let's strive to remind ourselves of God's blessings wherever we find them, however they come to us. And let us give thanks for them, every day, in every moment.

# Liturgical Arts

#### Holy Family Welcomes Our Catechumens and Candidates With Great Joy!

At the 9:00 mass last Sunday we celebrated the Rite of Welcoming with those adults preparing to receive the initiation sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and/or Eucharist by participating in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The adults to be baptized are now known as catechumens, while those previously baptized as Catholics or in another Christian tradition, and now preparing to complete their initiation, are known as candidates. Their names are:

> Catechumens Stacy Geng William Moll Richard Oas Kacie Swanson Anne-Farah Usman

Candidates Marcela Sherwin Michael Baldwin Teresa Jordan Malachi Lutes Kevin Price Robert Weder

Please welcome these catechumens and candidates with your joyful encouragement. Teach them by your example and pray for them on this journey of faith that we share. In the coming weeks we will be providing more information about them so that you can become better acquainted with them personally.

#### Sending a holiday invitation to you... Please consider trying out a Small Christian Community during Advent and Christmas!

For more information, contact us at: Peter & Cari Pappas 815-670-3734 or pmpbears@comcast.net We will also be in the Narthex after all morning Masses Nov 24 & 25



a Holy Family kid Christmas experience

calling ALL kids - grades 1-8 singers - actors - readers

Christmas Eve - 1:30pm Family Mass rehearsals starting December 8 sign up: Jpetrie@holyfamilyparish.org

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.

# Liturgical Arts

### **Mass Intentions**

#### Monday, November 19

9:00AM Patricia Houle (Katie Houle) 9:00AM Family (Family) 7:00PM Diane & Chuck Beamer (Pete & Bev Wickman) 7:00PM Victoria Vaughn (Care Ministry)

#### Tuesday, November 20

9:00AM Philippe Paragas (Family) 9:00AM Jerry Seaman (Family) 9:00AM Mary Kavalackal (Kavalackal Family)

#### Wednesday, November 21

9:00AM Diane Cores (Carrie Crall)
9:00AM Phillip Luciani (Joyce & Ed Majerczak)
9:00AM Rosa Paler (Lou Pamplona)
9:00AM Estaban Guadalupe Quirante (Lou Pamplona)
9:00AM Zony Litorja (Lou Pamplona)

#### Thursday, November 22

Happy Thanksgiving

#### Friday, November 23

9:00AM Holy Family Faith Community

#### Saturday, November 24

5:00PM Audrey Greco (Marietta Gonzalez)5:00PM John Campana (Family)5:00PM John Black (Family)5:00PM Peter Balistreri (Family)

#### Sunday, November 25

7:30AM Andrew Schabow (Family)7:30AM Perlita Yao (Family)7:30AM Leslie Anama (Frank & Angie Sevilla)

- 9:00AM Albin & Marie Chuhak (Kobeski Family)
  9:00AM Frank & Marie Leban (Kobeski Family)
  9:00AM Geraldine Seaman (Diana Ardizzone Family)
- 11:00AM Ernesto Manfredini (Family)
- 11:00AM Annunziata Manfredini (Family)
- 11:00AM Peter Balistreri (Family)
- 11:00AM Peter & Lee Sesko (Sesko Family)
- 4:00PM Krystyna Mystkowska (Anna Brysiewicz)

# Mass intentions are available by contacting the Parish Office

#### Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

- + Balbina Altmaier
- + Catherine V. Burker
- + Jeanne Fleischhauer

"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...

Lan Danh Uchenna Divine Joe Gorman Joann Grzesik Rory Hermes Geri Hoffmann Christie Moore Nikolas Nguyen Eileen Paparone Pam Schaefer Lorrie Zurek

#### We Pray for Family Members in Service of Our Country

Lt. Colonel David J. Benjamin III (*Army*), Capt. Sean P. Benjamin (*Army*), Lt. Anne Louise Graft (*Air Force*), Lt. Michael J. Graft III (*Air Force*), First Lieutenant Peter Keiser (*Army*), Ensign Patrick J. Kennelly (*Navy*), 2nd Lt. Madeline Lopez (*Army*), Major Brian Malloy (*Army*), Lt. Colonel Jade Patrick Miller (*Army*), Lt. Joshua Michael Peck (*Army*), SPC James Purvin (*Army*), PFC Jacob Riedl (*Army*), Pvt. Theodore Rogers (*Army*), Airman Zachary L. Schirmer (*Navy*), Maj. Elizabeth Greenstein Simmons (*Army*),

Maj. Joshua Simmons (Army), Capt. Nick Lewis-Walls (Army)

### Weekly Readings

Monday, November 19 Revelation 1:1-4;2:1-5 Luke 18:35-43 Tuesday, November 20 Revelation 3:1-6,14-22 Luke 19:1-10 Wednesday, November 21 Revelation 4:1-11 Luke 19:11-28 Thursday, November 22 Revelation 5:1-10 Luke 19:41-44 Friday, November 23 Revelation 10:8-11 Luke 19:45-48 Saturday, November 24 Revelation 11:4-12 Luke 20:27-40 Sunday, November 25 Daniel 7:13-14 Revelation 1:5-8 John 18:33b-37

# Parish Support & Services

#### SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

	ATTENDANCE	COLLECTIONS	
Oct 21	1,986	\$	52,331 *
Oct 28	2,021	\$	25,746 *
Nov 4	2,391	\$	51,236 *
Nov 11	2,088	\$	35,439 *
Total	8,486	\$	164,752
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Year to Date Budget Sunday Collections		\$	776,276
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Our weekly collections continue at a deficit against budget. Please consider increasing your weekly donation as well as contributing electronically. Thank you!



# 15" Cross of New Life

Beautiful 15" model of the Cross of New Life.

Cost: \$199

Call 847-359-0042 or stop by the Parish Office.

Consider giving one to a loved one / friend as the perfect gift!

efficiently.

# **Pastoral** Care

**Pastoral Care: Compassion Ministries Help Request!** 

All ministry hours can be custom linked to your avaibility.

 Bereavement Team: we guide families who want to plan a Funeral Mass or Memorial Mass for a loved one.

 Funeral Ministry Team: Set up for Funeral Mass or Service in the church or chapel.

· Funeral Luncheon Team: provides food set up and table hospitality upon luncheon requests.

• Minister of Care to Hospital: Visits St Alexius patients bringing Communion

· Minister of Care to Homebound: visits homebound clients who request Communion.

 Minister of Care Nursing homes: provides Communion service and brings Communion to residents.

Training is provided for all three ministries. To qualify you must have a compassionate heart and enjoy doing for others. Call Mimi Ferlita for more information 847-907-3425 mferlita@holyfamilyparish.org.

# **Rising From Divorce Ministry**



Rising from Divorce Ministry is a support group for individuals facing separation, divorce, or annulment.

Please come join us on Monday, November 19, 2018 7:00pm-9:00pm Room LL #083

Focused topic: "Reconciliation" taken from "Divorce Care" workshop

- A couple can reconcile without restoring their former marriage
- The degree of reconciliation depends upon the commitment both spouses make to the process

What should be in place before restoring their marriage

Walk-ins welcome. For more information contact Kathy Kvitek at kathykv2@gmail.com

### **Homebound Parishioners:** Call us for a Pastoral Visit with Communion

Ministers of Care bring Communion to members of our faith community when they are unable to join us for weekend liturgies. We serve those who are homebound or in nursing homes or hospitals. If you have a family member who would benefit from a visit, please be sure to let us know, so we can bring Communion or place their names on our prayer list, if desired.

> For more information call Mimi Ferlita 847-907-3425 or mferlita@holyfamilyparish.org

# To Be Joyful Again Ministry

"To Be Joyful Again" is a non denominational support group for widows, widowers, or anyone else who has lost a significant other. Please join us on

#### Thursday, December 6 at 7:00pm.

For more information, please call Pat Bongiorno 847-985-4624 or Bob Boho 847-438-2884.

#### LOSS (Survivors of Suicide) Support Group

You are welcome to join us on Nov. 21 at 7:00pm to be with others who share your loss. This gathering is facilitated by Catholic Charities on the 3rd Wednesday of each month and hosted by Holy Family. For more information, please call Emily at 312-655-7283.

provides, through

our ministries, compassionate pastoral care with support and guidance for those who suffer in mind, body and spirit.

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Community...

# Adult Faith

Mary Whiteside

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The Adult Faith

supports the mission

of lifelong learning by providing educational,

formational activities

for the parish and the

Community...

spiritual, and

community.

Director 847-907-3450

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# Upcoming 2018-2019 Adult Faith programs -Mark your calendar!!!

#### **Registration will begin soon!**

• **Parish Mission** – **FR. ED SHEA** returns to Holy Family! Fr. Ed will preach at all the masses on Saturday, March 23 and Sunday, March 24. The Parish Mission nights will be Sunday, March 24, 4:00-5:30 – no 4:00 Mass that day), Monday, March 25, 7:00-8:30 pm, and Tuesday, March 26, 7:00-8:30 pm.

• The Spiritual Journey: Reflections on the Wizard of Oz with Friar Johnpaul Cafiero on Saturday, May 18 – 10:00 am-4:30 pm (Registration will begin in 2019).

#### **Bible Study – JESUS** (Journey to Explore, Study to Understand Scripture)

Our Thursday night Bible Study resumes...Join leader Jan Wood for a study of Paul's letters, starting with Philippians. We will then move on to Epistles, Colossians/Ephesians. Bring your Bible to Breakout Room 1 and come, even if you can only make it to one night. All are welcome to join at any time! There is always an extra chair.

Dates for Bible Study – November 29; December 6, 13 January 10, 17, 24, 31 – Through July 2019

For any questions or to be added to the mailing list for this Bible Study group, contact Jan Wood at jan@wood5.com.

# **Bible Journey** "People of the Book: One God, Three Visions"

Presented by Jerry Leitner Final class is Wednesday, November 28, 2018 9:45-11:45 am



# Little Blue Advent Prayer Books

The little blue Advent prayer books are now available in the front office. These books offer prayerful reflections to help you pray through Advent and Christmas this year. They sell out quickly, so get yours early! The books are \$1 each. Please bring exact payment if you are paying with cash or make checks payable to Holy Family Parish if you are purchasing books for a group.

# Adult Faith





Terry Nelson-Johnson, D.Min., was the leader of Holy Family's outstanding Parish Mission in March, 2016. He taught at Loyola Academy for 18 years and is the Founder and Executive Director of Soul-Play, LLC, an experiential, theological, educational enterprise serving congregations, families, schools and adult retreats. Terry is currently serving at Old St. Pat's in Chicago as Resident Theologian and Animator of Faith. He is married and the father of two children. To learn more about his work, visit his website at www.soulplayonline.com



Laura Field is a spiritual director at Old St. Patrick's Church and lay leader of the Beloved Retreat. She has embraced Ignatian Spirituality and is the author of "Called to Joy, Always)" a retreat steeped in the truth of the Divine Invitation to joy. "I believe Spiritual Companionship...is a gift we 'think' we give ourselves only to eventually discover it is our deep response to God's insistent love. Spiritual Direction provides time for deep conversation about 'God Moments' and focused attention on hearing, seeing and feeling God's grace more often and more explicitly."



# Beloved Retreat With Dr. Terry Nelson-Johnson and Ms. Laura Field

February 15-17, 2019 (6:00 pm Friday-3:00 pm Sunday) University of St. Mary of the Lake Mundelein, IL Cost: \$175 (includes private room/restroom and meals)



#### Were you baptized or ARE you baptized?

With the leadership of Terry Nelson-Johnson, Laura Field and the Holy Family Beloved Team, we will be offering a Beloved Retreat to provide food for our hungry souls. We invite you to a weekend of new beginnings. Whether you are a young adult or have more life experience, male or female, single or married, religious or skeptic, hurt or healing, laid back or caffeinated, this is for you. This retreat model was founded in 1999 at Old St. Pat's Church in Chicago where they have grown to three full retreats per year. Beloved is a safe, inclusive environment in the quiet pastoral setting of University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein. Come and laugh, pray, walk, talk, listen and rest with us...We welcome you to come away from the stress of life for a couple of days and let God lead you to new life.

Contact Mary Whiteside at 847-907-3450 or mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org to have registration materials sent to you. Registrations are accepted in the order they are received and must include fully completed form and payment. A wait list will be created once the retreat is full.

Did you get what you wanted from life, even so? I did. And what did you want? To call myself Beloved, To feel myself Beloved, on earth. - Raymond Carver

# Adult Faith

Advent by Candlelight LADIES NIGHT - A little wine and wisdom! The Three Wise Women of the Nativity Presented by: Mary McKeon Tuesday, December 4, 2018 7:00 - 9:00 pm There is no charge for this event!

Mary McKeon is a member of Bellarmine's ministry staff, a spiritual director, and coordinator of women's ministry. Mary is a graduate of Marquette University. She received her training as a spiritual/retreat director at the Jesuits' Manresa Retreat House in Bloomfield Hills, MI, where she served on the ministry team and became their first Director of Women's Ministry. In 2014 Mary received Manresa's Lifetime Achievement Award.

The story of Jesus' birth is a familiar one, but how much do you know about the three wise women in the story? Join us for an evening of reflection as we pray with Jesus' mother, Mary; Mary's cousin, Elizabeth; and the prophetess, Anna. Each wise woman of the Nativity story reveals something about God and something about our true nature as women. Come, prepare your heart for Advent.

There will be a wine and hors d'oeuvres reception after the presentation in the Holy Family narthex for a little escape from everyday life. You deserve it! Attire for the evening: Dressy casual.

#### Please register by November 28.

To register contact Jeannie Parry at jparry@holyfamilyparish.org or 847-907-3448.



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# Family & Teen Faith

# **Family & Teen Faith News**

Peg Hanrahan Director 847-907-3431 phanrahan@ holyfamilyparish.org

#### The Family & Teen

Faith Community... offers faith formation and catechesis to preschool through elementary school aged children and high school teens and their families.

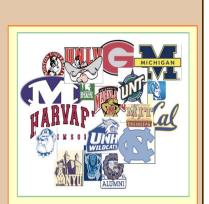
#### Teen Faith Welcomes Home All our college students Wednesday, November 21, 2018 7:00 pm in the Chapel

Holy Family college students and Teen Faith Alumni, friends and family please join us for our annual

**Thanksgiving Prayer service**. This is a great way to meet up with friends and former classmates.

Following the prayer service join us for

- $\succ$  a short reception in the Narthex
- > a Kairos Fourth Day meeting in the Teen Room



#### **Tuition & Fees** collected during the 1<sup>st</sup>

quarter came to \$78,842.75. This represents 53% of the total billed for the year (\$148,125.00). Several thousand more have come in after the Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> statements were sent. **THANK YOU!** The next statements will be sent in late November.

Remember that this year all tuition and sacramental fees are due by January 31, 2019 unless you have made arrangements for a payment plan.

If you need tuition assistance you must apply no later than <u>December 2, 2018</u>. Contact <u>mrobak@holyfamilyparish.org</u> or <u>phanrahan@holyfamilyparish.org</u> for more details.

#### VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION

All Catechists, Co-Catechists, Hall Monitors and Parent Volunteers working directly with children/teens need to be Virtus compliant by Nov. 30, 2018. The next Virtus Training session here at Holy Family is Tuesday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. <u>Click here</u> to register. If you have already done the training all you need to do is sign a CANTS form (this is done annually).





**Bethlehem Marketplace** is a favorite Family Faith tradition. Children get a chance to travel back in time and learn about the childhood of Jesus. They have an opportunity to **shop** in the marketplace creating unique one-of-a-kind crafts. This year we are bringing back the leather tooling shop. Children learn about the importance of the synagogue in village life, which served as a school, a meeting place and a place of worship. They learn about the early Hanukkah traditions and how both Christmas and Hanukkah are festivals of light.

# Family & Teen Faith

# **Sacramental Preparation Updates**

At Holy Family we do everything we can to lift up the power and beauty of the sacraments, inviting all to plunge deeply into the life-giving reality of the sacramental life. This understanding of sacrament is where all sacramental preparation begins.



#### The RCI - Rite of Christian Initiation

- This year we have four young catechuemens:
- Lila Howard
- Benedict Mugera
- Robert (Bob) Mugera Nicholas Riscili

Lila, Benedict, Bob and Nicholas will be baptized on the first Sunday of Easter.

We also have 6 young candidates:

- Adaobi Ibe
- ✤ Chidera Ibe
- ✤ Jake Hendricks
  - Troy Sherwin

Jake will make his Profession of Faith as a Catholic on March 31<sup>st</sup> at the 11 am Mass. Adaobi, Chidera, Ethan, Jake, Troy and Alana will make their 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation this Lent and their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion this May.

Please keep these young people and their families and the 11 men and women in our RCIA process in your prayers.

#### **TEEN CONFIRMATION**

On Sunday, November 4th at the 4 pm Mass we celebrated the Rite of Welcoming with our 125 FLAME Teens who are journeying toward full initiation in the Catholic Church.

A particularly beautiful part of the rite is called the **Signing** of the Senses. The parents of these young people signed their teens foreheads, just as they did at their Baptism. They then traced the cross on their eyes, ears, lips, heart, shoulders and hands. This rite serves as a reminder to the teens, and the entire parish community, of the ways God reaches out to us through our senses. Please keep these young people, their families and sponsors in your prayers.

#### FIRST EUCHARIST



"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers." Acts 2:42

On Saturday Nov. 3rd and again on Nov. 10th we celebrated the **Rite of Welcoming** with our one hundred and eight (108) First Eucharist Candidates. The first part of the Rite parallels the opening of the Baptismal Rite. We explain to the children that when they were baptized they were babies. They could not walk or talk and so their parents and godparents had to carry them in procession, sign them with the sign of the cross and answer the questions for them. Now, however, they are old enough to do these things for themselves. This helps them understand sacraments are not something done to us, rather we are *active participants* in the sacramental life.

After Mass each child was presented with a 1st Communion candle (again paralleling the candle they received at Baptism). They were told to take their candle home and choose a time to light it.

I have found over the years that the kids love to light the candle and it is a way their family can participate in the preparation process. Some choose to light it at Thanksgiving or Christmas when extended family is present. Others choose to light it weekly or daily with their immediate family or some combination of both. When the candle is lit family members pray a blessing praver for the child.

## Christmas outreach to Kenya

Over the last two years our Holy Family kids have raised over \$13,000.00 to provide the students at Divine Mercy Academy with shoes, school uniforms, school supplies, blackboards, toys and food.

This past summer, our Spirit Campers raised enough money to completely outfit the new school kitchen and dining room (cups, plates, bowls, silverware, cooking pots, serving utensils...)



On November 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> our Family Faith kids prepared **Christmas Gift Bags** for our friends at Divine Mercy with small toys, coloring books, pencils, crayons, other school supplies, lollipops, toothbrushes and toothpaste, socks, gloves, hats (it does get cold in Kenya in their winter season, especially in the early morning and at night and most families live in makeshift housing with no heat). The children also sent their



As you can see, being missionaries to the poor fills our HF kids with a lot of joy and pride.

own messages on hand-decorated Christmas cards. These items will be delivered by members of our Holy Family community who will be traveling to Kenya in early January.

Thank you to all our families who have been and continue to be so generous. Not only will every child receive a gift bag Holy Family is sending a dozen soccer balls and lots of extra school supplies teachers can store and use at school. In addition to all the gifts families also contributed cash to pay for the extra baggage fees incurred to get all the Christmas gifts to Kenya in January.



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# 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.

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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



# Preschool STEM Classes Cultivate Curiosity in HFCA's Youngest Learners

Our preschool classes are enhanced with monthly STEM "in-house field trips" for our 3-and 4-year-old learners.

These interactive classes:

- expand our preschool curriculum to include more science, engineering and math,
- expose students to new teachers specifically focusing on STEM instruction,
- meet in our fully-equipped science lab designed for preschool-5th grade learners,
- harness the natural curiosity of our youngest students,
- introduce scientific concepts like observation, investigation and testing in age-appropriate settings,
- promote the "4 C's" of 21st century learning: creativity, critical thinking, communication and collaboration.



HFCA volunteer Preschool STEM teachers





Preschool students learning about density—will it sink or float?

# Human Concerns

# Catholic Social Teaching – United States Catholic Conference of Bishops The Church's social teaching is a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst

the challenges of modern society.



#### Call to Family, Community and Participation

The person is not only sacred but also social. How we organize our society-- in economics and politics, in law and policy -- directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. Marriage and the family are the central social institutions that must be supported and strengthened, not undermined. We believe people have a right and a duty to participate in society seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable.

The nation's founders took daring steps to create structures of participation, mutual accountability, and widely distributed power to ensure the political rights and freedoms of all. We believe that similar steps are needed today to expand economic participation, broaden the sharing of economic power, and make economic decisions more accountable to the common good. Economic Justice for All, #297

For more information visit - www.usccb.org

# **PADS NEEDS FOOD DONATIONS**

Our PADS site depends on volunteers to provide meals for our guests on Sunday evening and Monday's breakfast and lunch. You do not need to cook to donate. Food can be purchased from stores such as Costco and GFS and dropped off hours, even days earlier, and volunteers will prepare your dish just prior to our guests arriving. Gifts cards to Aldi, Jewel, Costco, GFS are also welcomed. Drop off gift cards to Sue Geegan at the front office marked "PADS". To volunteer to bring a dish or other food item, visit www.carecalendar.org using calendar ID 134413 and password 9236 to sign up for food donations. Please feel free to pass this information along to anyone else you know that might want to donate items for our weekly PADS site. Thank you! For questions about food donations, contact Ginny at ginnylangtim@gmail.com or 847-331-3838.

PADS GUESTS ARE IN NEED OF WARM WINTER CLOTHING -COATS, BOOTS, LONG UNDERWEAR, HATS AND GLOVES. Please leave donations in the west coatroom cart. Thank You.

### HUMAN CONCERNS ANNUAL REPORT

The Human Concerns Community Annual Report for the fiscal year 2017-2018 is available in the west coatroom on the social justice wall. More than 12,500 volunteer hours were given and thousands of lives were touched due to the compassion and generosity of Holy Family parishioners. Please take a moment to review our faith community's impact on our community and beyond!

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

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.

# Human Concerns

# Holy Family New Member Registration

Are you interested in becoming a parishioner at Holy Family? New member registrations are held immediately following the 9am Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in the front office conference room. Come after the 9am Mass or before you attend 11am Mass. Other registration options exist.

Here are a few comments made by new members as to why they joined our vibrant and welcoming parish.

- It's a church that's alive
- Homily messages are relevant
- Homilies gives me enough energy to get through the week
  - So much meaning with the Cross (of New Life)
    - Thanks to a friend who invited me to attend.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Mike at mcmyers123@aol.com or Sue Geegan at 847-907-3443.

# UpcomingEvents:

Christmas Luncheon Wednesday, December 12 beginning at 11:30am

55+ Ministry

at Makray Memorial Golf Club Reservations need to be turned in by November 26.

See the Holy Family website and narthex shelves for details and reservation forms.

### 2019 Events

February 5 - European Travel for Seniors

March 4 - Spring Cleaning for Home & Soul

April 11 - Gardening Tips

Mark your calendar. More details coming soon.

# Human Concerns

# WEEKEND HOSPITALITY MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP



Are you a "people person"? We thought so! We have an urgent need for "people persons" to help prepare and serve coffee and refreshments after Mass. It's a very modest commitment of serving just once every 5 weeks for the Mass you regularly attend. You'll have the ongoing support of your enthusiastic teammates, plus training and tips to make it a fun, rewarding and a joyous experience for all.

Know other "people persons"? Why not make it a group event? Families, friends, and all groups are welcome to serve on a team together. And we also send the call out to

those of you who are bakers and "foodies". Although culinary skills and food preparation aren't required for the Hospitality Team, it's another great way to share your passions and practice your art.

Remember how special you felt when someone within the Holy Family community reached out and connected with you? The unique, warm, welcoming spirit of Holy Family is contagious, and serving on the Hospitality Ministry is the perfect way to spread and pay it forward to others. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Sue Geegan at 847-907-3443 or sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org.

# HOLY FAMILY PADS SITE for the Homeless

Holy Family's PADS site, a Sunday evening shelter for people facing homelessness, is in its *eighteenth 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. Sign-up for shift work in the narthex on Sunday, November 18 after masses. We are especially in need of female shift workers Sundays from 11pm-3am and Mondays from 3am-7am. Training is provided. Contact Sue with any questions at 847-907-3443 or sgeegan@ holyfamilyparish.org

Visit www.carecalendar.org using **calendar ID 134413 and password 9236** to sign up for food donations. Food can be dropped off hours, even days earlier, and volunteers will prepare your dish 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.

# Of Special Note

# CREATIVE SEWING MINISTRY

We meet monthly to create the baptism bibs and stoles given to each of Holy Family's newly baptized children. Members also knit and crochet items such as prayer shawls and chemotherapy hats to bring comfort and healing to others. We work as a team to complete each item, sharing our talents and creating friendships along the way. Meetings are on the 4th Tuesday of each

month from 1:00-4:00pm.

Our next gathering is on November 27.

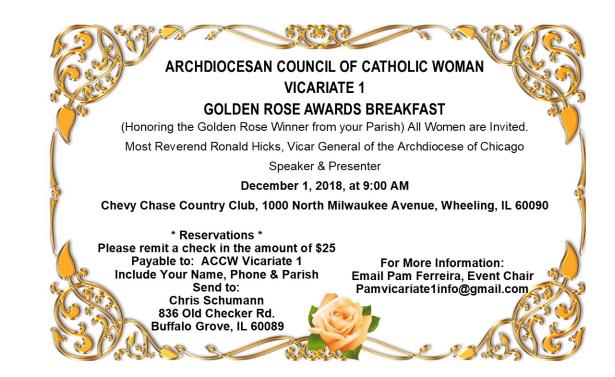
Come join us! To learn more about the Creative Sewing Ministry, contact Cely Andal at ctandal@comcast.net

# The Quiet

A reflective prayer experience for healing and peace

Taking place at 6:00pm in the church on Thursday November 29, The Quiet will provide an opportunity and space for reflection and healing prayer in response to all types of violence, particulary domestic violence.

Come as you are. All are invited and encouraged to attend.



November 18, 2018

# Sacramental Moments

#### Sacramental Moments...

are times in our lives when we experience God's loving presnece in a special way. We highlight some of those moments here.



Mila Janina Dys Child of Kamil & Amber



William Marc Davis Child of Neil & Jennifer

Congratulations to our newly baptized and welcome into Holy Family and the Body of Christ!



Charlotte June Golon Child of Matthew & Courtney



Savannah D'Amico Haruska Child of Chris & Katie



Adaline Lucille Mandryk Child of Kyle & Danielle



Nathaniel Craig Jacobsen Child of Craig & Anna

# Of Special Note





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# COME CRUISE ON THE SS. HOLY FAMILY & OD AVAILABLE!

# CASH, CLASS, OR CRUISE RAFFLE Prize Options:

\$5000 Cash OR Base Tuition at HFCA OR

7 Day Caribbean Cruise

Ticket Cost \$100

Drawing Date: February 23, 2019 Need not be present to win