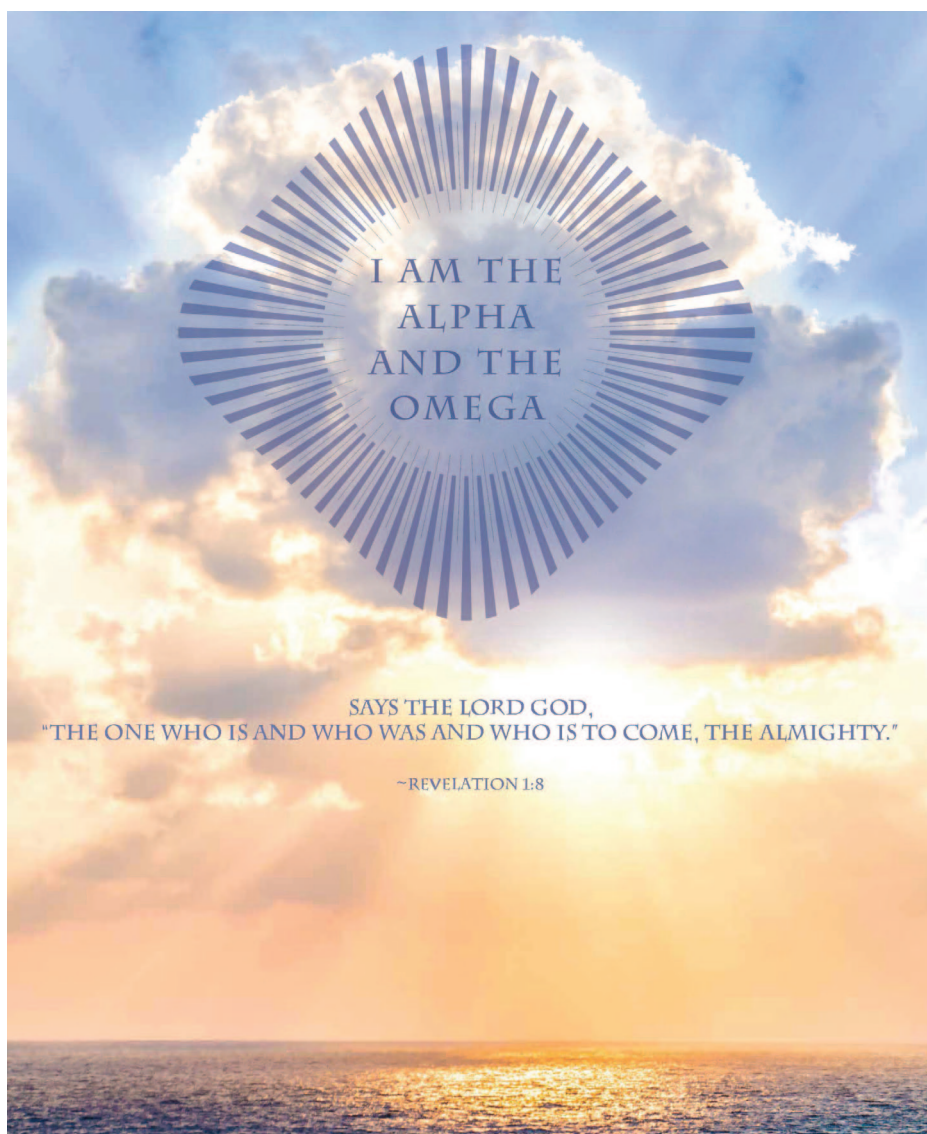




HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

inviting all to new life in Christ



SAYS THE LORD GOD,
"THE ONE WHO IS AND WHO WAS AND WHO IS TO COME, THE ALMIGHTY."

~REVELATION 1:8

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About Us

Holy Family

Catholic Community

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Vision Statement

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

Mission Statement

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

Core Values

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

- Integrity
- Excellence
- Unity
- Service
- Justice

Welcome to Holy Family

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

Schedule

Masses

Weekdays:

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

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

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

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

Holy Days 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 Bolser	Fr. George Kane
Friar Johnpaul Cafiero	Fr. Paul Sims, CR
Fr. Denis Carneiro	Fr. Bill Zavaski

Pastoral Council

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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. Terry Keehan

What kind of king is Christ? For some, the title given to the savior of the world makes sense. For others, including myself, we have to do a little theological and spiritual work to see Christ as a king. We are probably overrun by powerful, if not negative, images and experiences of kings and this tends to be prominent in our prayerful reflection of Jesus Christ as one.

Notice that I added Jesus to the title in the last reference, only Christ in the first two. This two-fold title gives us all some insight as we focus on this last weekend of the liturgical year before embarking on a new year and the adventure of Advent and Christmas, and beyond. The Jesus of history who was born and walked this earth morphed into the Christ who was acknowledged by the church and the world as the anointed one (thus the title referring to the sacred oil and gesture of naming the king), fulfilling the Old Testament prophecies and being more of a King than David ever was.

Christ indicates legacy and permanence. Jesus indicates a certain historical time and a prophet who gives us timeless messages and touching miracles.

So in light of the Christ that is easier to connect with the title king, Msgr. Charles Pope helps in his breakdown of Christ as three types of kings, based on the scriptures we hear this weekend. He tells us that that Christ is:

A Caring King – from our first reading from Ezekiel, "I myself will look after and tend my sheep..."

A Conquering King – "...he has destroyed every sovereignty...he must reign until he has conquered all...even death."

A Concealed King – He is in the needy, the poor, the oppressed and the humble. He promises us an inheritance in a kingdom prepared from the foundation of the world, a kingdom for all of us."

I would like to add that Christ is:

An Eternal King – a significant aspect of eternity is truth, and Jesus ends his statement in the Gospel that he has come to "testify to the truth."

Few things are more eternal than the truth, and Jesus Christ will always lead us to truth. He tells us through the lens of Mark, "For this I came into the world. For this I was born, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

As Advent begins next weekend, please be attentive to the environment of our beautiful church that is centered around the small word BE. Like Advent itself, this word will be used as a precursor to something more. It points to and helps us prepare for a more important reality. Several words will follow the word BE. These words coincide with key scriptural messages and will vary each week.

For example, the first week of Advent encourages us to BE Alert. We must engender a spirit of deeper awareness to more fully prepare for the miracle of God taking a risk and becoming one of us this Christmas.

We have been hosting an event for men for several years called The Gathering. Often women ask when we will hold an event for women. Although I am more supportive of adult events for women and men together, we are very excited to welcome and invite women to "The Three Wise Women of the Nativity Story" as a part of our Advent by Candlelight series for women here at Holy Family on Tuesday, December 4 from 7:00-9:00pm. The evening will be led by Mary McKeon who shared a reflection with us on the Feast of Mary Magdala this past July and she is on the staff at the Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House just up the road from us on Lake Cook Road in Barrington. Mary will share insights of the role of three great women, Mary, the Mother of Jesus, Elizabeth her cousin and the mother of John the Baptist, and the Prophetess Anna. All three play a unique role in the Nativity story. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served in the Narthex following Mary's presentation which will be held in the Church. I am inviting ALL women of the parish to attend and I am challenging both women and men to personally invite other women to attend. This promises to be an enriching evening that will help prepare your heart for Advent and Christmas. There is no charge for the evening and details will be in the bulletin as the evening gets closer.

Liturgical Arts

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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.



Voices of Joy
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

**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

~~Multicultural Ministry invites you~~



Simbang Gabi

*(Evening Mass)
A Filipino Christmas
tradition*

December 15, 2018
Saturday at 5:00PM

Fr. Terry Keehan, Presider

Reception will follow in the Social Center. All are welcome!

Questions? Mabel Turtogo-Sacay 847-421-0170 & Sharon Lobo 847-812-5132

Liturgical Arts

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 26

9:00AM Dr. Richard Cannon (Cheryl & Jim Russo)
9:00AM Agnes & Constanty Obrachta (Family)
9:00AM Deceased Members of Amstadt Family
(Amstadt Family)
7:00PM Mel Dianis (Pete & Bev Wickman)
7:00PM Crisencia Liwag (Care Ministry)

Tuesday, November 27

9:00AM Special Intention (Family)

Wednesday, November 28

9:00AM Charles J. Cernansky Jr. (Family)
9:00AM Eleanor Rose Ochwat (Care Ministry)
7:00PM Charlotte & Louis Strohmeyer (Family)

Thursday, November 29

9:00AM Andres Gonzalez

Friday, November 30

9:00AM Vance Nwankwo (Family)

Saturday, December 1

9:00AM Victoria Vaughn & Barbara Jane Lee
(Family)
5:00PM Henry J. Fugiel (Mary Kay Calandra)
5:00PM Helen Cangemi (Rita & Patty Moravec)
5:00PM Donna Blomquist (Mary Black)
5:00PM Phyllis Jenssen (Kelly Family)

Sunday, December 2

7:30AM Elizabeth Balachowski
(Tuesday SCC group)
7:30AM Elizabeth Waltenspiel (Herb Waltenspiel)
7:30AM Richard Alfredson (Seaman Family)

9:00AM Jan DeQui (Donna & Frank LaBanca)
9:00AM Anicia Alicia Fonte (HFCA)
9:00AM James Gerdes (HFCA)

11:00AM Manuel P.A. Claudio (Family)
11:00AM Alex Walters (Family)
11:00AM Michael Vivo (Family)

Mass intentions are available
by contacting the Parish Office



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

+ 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...

Joe Gorman
Rory Hermes
Sarah McPharlin
Eileen Paparone
Pam Schaefer

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 26

Revelation 14:1-3,4b-5
Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 27

Revelation 14:14-19
Luke 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 28

Revelation 15:1-4
Luke 21:12-19

Thursday, November 29

Revelation 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3,9a
Luke 21:20-28

Friday, November 30

Romans 10:9-18
Mathew 4:18-22

Saturday, December 1

Revelation 22:1-7
Luke 21:34-36

Sunday, December 2

Jeremiah 33:14-16
1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Luke 21:25-28,34-36

Parish Support & Services

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

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The Parish Support
& Services
Community...

oversees the parish
business and
infrastructure activities
to ensure they operate
efficiently.

	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COLLECTIONS</u>
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
Year to Date Sunday Collections		<u>\$ 757,017</u>
Year to Date Budget Sunday Collections		<u>\$ 776,276</u>

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!

Pastoral Care: Compassion Ministries Help Request!

All ministry hours can be custom linked to your availability.

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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.

- **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.

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 **Dec. 19 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.

Homebound parishioners: Call Holy Family 847-907-3425 for a sacramental 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

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, December 3, 2018 7:00pm-9:00pm Room LL #083**

Focused topic: **“Moving on, Growing Closer to God”** taken from “Divorce Care” workshop

- **How to deal with fear, worry and anxiety**
- **Their pasts will influence them, but won’t control them**

- **How to grow from divorce**

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

Mental Health Support

A support group for families and friends of people with mental health issues. Next meeting will be on **December 5 from 7-8:30pm** at Holy Family (meets every 1st Wed of each month). Ministry leaders, Dan and Trudy Mickey can be reached at 847-991-6255 for more information. Dan and Trudy are also affiliate leaders with NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) that meets at the Barrington Library on December 3rd from 7-8:30pm.

Upcoming 2018-2019 Adult Faith programs -

Mark your calendar!!!

Registration will begin soon!

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.

• **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.

Technology and Faith Coming Together

Where do you go when you need to look up a Bible verse?

How about the Stations of the Cross? Do you search for your weekly Bulletin, a book or a website to find the readings for each week? There is an app available for all of these things that will give you all things Catholic right on your smart phone!

Check out "Laudate" – a free Catholic app that includes:

- ☞ Daily readings and daily prayers
 - ☞ Rosary (interactive experience)
 - ☞ Stations of the Cross
 - ☞ Vatican documents
 - ☞ The Bible (at your fingertips!)
- AND MORE!

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



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

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!

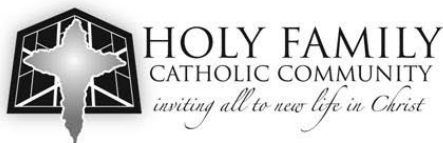
Mary McKeon is a member of Bellarmine's ministry staff, a spiritual director, and coordinator of women's ministry. Mary is a graduate of Marquette University. She received her training as a spiritual/retreat director at the Jesuits' Manresa Retreat House in Bloomfield Hills, MI, where she served on the 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 2018 Advent Events

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



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.

We are looking for **6th graders** who may want to take part as actors in the Nativity skit. If your child is interested contact lferlita@holyfamilyparish.org

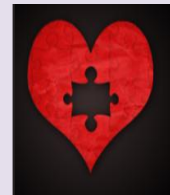


**Sunday, Dec 9th 6:30 pm
in the Church**

Taizé is an ecumenical form of prayer modeled after the Taizé community (an ecumenical Christian monastic community of brothers) founded in the 1940's by Br. Roger in Taizé, France. **The purpose of the prayer is to foster reconciliation and peace among all people.** The simple service consists of song (using the simple chants of the Taize community), scripture, a service of light, an extended period of silence for meditation concluding with prayers for the world.



Reconciliation



**Putting the pieces
back together**

Our **IGNITE teens** will be celebrating the sacrament on **Sunday, December 2** beginning at **5:20 pm**. Parents why not join your teens that evening and celebrate together.

Advent 2018: BEgins next week



Drawing Near

*It is difficult to see it from here,
I know,
but trust me when I say
this blessing is inscribed
on the horizon.
Is written on
that far point
you can hardly see.
Is etched into
a landscape
whose contours you cannot know
from here.
All you know
is that it calls you,
draws you,
pulls you toward* □ □

What if the first Divine utterance was simply

Be?

What if that declaration expresses the breadth of Divine will ?



Being **is our essence. Being enfolds our body and spirit. This is the way we were made.** Our being lies within the Divine who is our source and destiny. This is why Augustine's insight that *the restlessness that is part of human existence is a divine gift*, is still helpful to contemporary seekers and believers. This **Holy longing** is the desire to be filled and fulfilled. Why did the Divine choose to make us this way? Some say, because searching, reaching beyond ourselves, being drawn into the mysterious and unknown is what leads us to encounter the divine fire that blazes in everything and everyone. The insatiability of our hunger stems from the fact that **nothing short of union with all that is (BEing) can satisfy our longing.** This is why the first line of the first reading of the first Sunday of Advent proclaims

*The days are coming, says the LORD,
when I will fulfill the promise* □ □

Religious and spiritual traditions are not the divine fire; they point to it. If they are not willing to be beacons that direct hearts and minds to the signs of the presence of the divine they are irrelevant; if they try to interfere with or misrepresent Divine intention they will perish. The **Holy Spirit** resides within the Church in the hearts of Christ's disciples. The Holy Spirit animates, awakens, guides, strengthens, protects and accompanies us as Church, but **we are not the Spirit** that stirs up the divine spark and sets the cosmos ablaze. This is why the Gospel next week tells us

*Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy
from the anxieties of daily life* □

Our task this Advent is to *Be* and *Become* who God meant us to be, individually and collectively, and in doing so set the world ablaze!

Urgent
Please Read

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. 27th at 6:30 pm.** [Click here](#) to register.



Don't be late for faith class!

Adam's Apple classes begin at 9:00, 10:15 or 11 am

Sunday morning classes start at 10:30 am

Sunday evening classes start at 5:15 pm

Wednesday afternoon classes start at 4:30 pm

Being on time is a sign of respect for your catechist and classmates.



Family Faith kids will celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas on December 2 & 5 during Faith classes

[Click here](#) to learn about this tradition

Family Faith kids will each receive an Advent Calendar today @ Faith Class

Pastor's Field Report

Holy Family's Secret Service

The Gratitude Team reports

Things that we felt deserved a Thank You

- ❖ **Agent Peppapig:** At school I dropped my pen and my friend picked it up for me.
- ❖ **Agent Bushwook:** My dad gave me a birthday present.
- ❖ **Agent Mr. Bubbles:** My Mom drove me to Starbucks on my birthday to get my free drink.
- ❖ **Agent Leggo-my-Eggo:** My parents let me play on the computer before all my chores were done.
- ❖ **Agent Clare:** I was sick for a couple days and my mom did a lot to take care of me.



The Kindness Team reports

- ❖ **Agent Parish:** I saw a kid who dropped his stuff in the hall and I helped him pick it up and said, "I like your shirt."
- ❖ **Agent MKass2:** I helped a substitute teacher with technology
- Agent Bobby McJoe:** I told a person, "I like your smile" and I looked him in the eye which I have a hard time doing.



Intelligence Gathered

- **Kindness & Gratitude** are not kid things they are a Christian thing
- **Gratitude** turns what we have into enough.
- **Kindness** tells us never look down on anybody unless you're helping him up
- **Thankfulness** is the beginning of gratitude. Gratitude is the completion of thankfulness.
- **Be kind** whenever possible and remember it is always possible.
- We often take for granted the very things that most deserve our **gratitude**.

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2018 HOLIDAY SHARING GIFTS ARE DUE!

Reminder: Holiday Sharing Gifts Due by Monday, November 26th

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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!

Human Concerns

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

Family #30

Our family consists of a mom and her two sons ages 4 and 2.

Our mom is still doing well. She enjoys her job and is learning some of the challenges inherent to this type of work. She has 60 days to decide if she will enroll in the class that her current job offers to become certified. She is rebuilding her savings and making great progress.

Her children are doing just fine. Her eldest son is one of the most outgoing kids in his class and doing well in reading. Her youngest son has been diagnosed with hearing issues and is seeing an audiologist. He is also working with a speech therapist. Our mom is working hard to help her son overcome these issues.

Goals:

- **Save up at least 3 month's rent**
- **Obtain a CNA certificate**
- **Apply for low income housing**
- **Follow up with audiology appointments and speech therapy for her son**

Family #31

This family consists of a 24 year old female and her two sons ages 7 and 5.

Our mom is hanging in there! She is working hard on looking for employment. She is registered with a couple of different temp agencies and has had two promising interviews. She has enjoyed the administrative positions the most. She feels if all fails that she can easily find a serving job. Ideally, she wants to find a 9 to 5 job so that she can spend more time with her children. Also, a 9-5 job is better hours for childcare. She is feeling better mentally after experiencing the loss of her previous job. She reports that she will be back on top of her game very soon.

Her children are doing great, especially in school! They are doing well because they have been spending a lot of time together.

Goals:

- **Save up at least 3 month's rent**
- **Attend work and school as scheduled**
- **Apply for low income housing**
- **Look for full time employment**
- **Save up for another car**

These two families are very grateful to be a part of the Peace and Justice extended family. New Hope is also very grateful for all the assistance and resources you provide for our families.



OWLS

55+ Ministry

Christmas Luncheon
Wed., December 12 - 11:30am

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*Reservations need to be turned in
by November 26.*

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

Upcoming Events:

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.

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. 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.

PADS GUESTS ARE IN NEED OF WARM WINTER CLOTHING –
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Holy Family Partnerships & Support Groups

Partnerships

Catholic Charities

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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

Misión San Juan Diego

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

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WINGS

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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: 855-383-2224

AMITA Health Behavioral Medicine

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

Job Support

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

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

LOSS (Survivors of Suicide)

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

Mental Health Support

A support group for families and friends of people with mental health issues. Meets the first Wednesday of every month from 7-8:30pm.
Dan & Trudy Mickey- 847-991-6255
mickeydan@comcast.net

One In Love (LGBT)

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

Rising from Divorce

A support group for individuals facing separation, divorce or annulment. This open and ongoing support group who will help you heal and cope. Faith sharing, speakers and social activities are offered throughout the year. Meets on Monday twice a month from 7:00-9:00pm.
Kathy Kvittek: kathykv2@gmail.com
630-697-1655

To Be Joyful Again

"To Be Joyful Again, a non denominational support group for widows, widowers, or anyone else who has lost a significant other, meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at 7PM at Holy Family. All are welcome. Please contact Pat Bongiorno at 847-985-4624 or Bob Boho at 847-438-2884 for more information."

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



JUST “BE” FOR ADVENT!

We Christians hold a great festival during the winter solstice, the shortest days of the year. We call this festival “Christmas,” meaning the “feast of Christ.” It takes several weeks to **prepare** and several weeks to **celebrate**. It is, undoubtedly, one of our favorite feasts. It is very important, however, that we not confuse the **preparing** and the **celebrating**.

The weeks of preparation are called **Advent**, the season of growing darkness before the solstice. The weeks of celebration are called **Christmastime**, the season of growing light after the solstice. Perhaps it comes down to something basic: We are Children of the Light.

Of course, there’s a great contrast between these two seasons of our faith and the commercial “holiday season.” The “holiday season” usually begins in early November and then comes to a crashing halt on December 26. And, unfortunately, it is most often filled with great stress and fatigue because the preparing is usually focused on cleaning, shopping, decorating, baking, and partying. Yes, even partying can be stressful and exhausting! **We need something different!** We need to **BE surprised, satisfied, filled, loved!**

We need Advent. We need a spiritual “oasis” to which we can retreat during all the craziness and just **BE**. Without it we stop being who we are: a people who are waiting in joyful anticipation, **alert** to Emmanuel, God-With-Us. **And we need Christmastime.** We need a festival that runs beyond a single day or week. In the many days of Christmastime we shout loud and clear that Jesus Christ is born; **love** is born in human form. The reign of God is here among us, in our flesh and blood. That is why we have star-topped trees, decked halls, and bountiful tables.

Advent, however, cannot exist if we jump the gun on Christmas. And Christmastime cannot exist if we are already tired of it by December 25. These two seasons require each other. **Advent, and a new church year, begins next Sunday, December 2.** Commit to making Advent a little different this year. **BE** still and **BE** surprised by what the Spirit of God has to say to you. Find your moment to **BE** here at Holy Family. **Invite someone else who might need some spiritual enrichment...**a family member, a friend, a neighbor... to attend at least one mass with you during the season. **BE your Story! BE your Journey! BE for Others! BE Love! BE who you are as a Child of God!** And may the lights of the Advent wreath lead us all to the Star of Bethlehem, the Light of the World.

-Deacon Dennis Brown

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 Andral at ctandal@comcast.net

The Quiet

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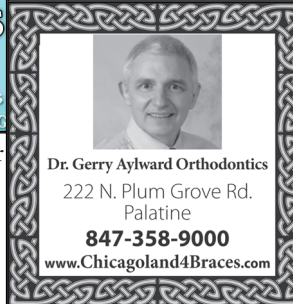
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