

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 part of our holy family in carrying out our mission. Registration forms are available in the parish office or contact Sue Geegan at sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org

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 7:00 p.m. First Friday of the month 9:00 a.m. (with Anointing of the Sick)

5:00 p.m. Saturday 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.

Varies; watch bulletin Holy Days Assisted Listening Devices available in the Liturgical Arts 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):

Mondays 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.

Visiting Presiders

Fr. Charles Bolser Friar Johnpaul Cafiero Fr. Denis Carneiro Fr. Bill Zavaski

Pastoral Council

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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

Instead of celebrating the blessing, we must learn to celebrate the Blesser.

This weekend, we hear from the gospel of Luke how Jesus frequently used miracles as objective lessons. Here, in the Healing of the Ten Lepers, Jesus teaches us the sometimes subtle difference between faith and opportunism, wholeness and superficiality. The point Jesus is making in this week's gospel is that the nine who were healed but kept going did not have the right attitude toward the miracle or toward God. When God works a miracle in our lives, the point of the miracle is to bring glory to God, to reveal to the miracle receiver and those around him/ her that God is in control of everything. Therefore, God is to be worshiped and we are to surrender ourselves to Him. None of the nine lepers, once they received their healing, needed, or found, Jesus relevant. For them, Jesus was essentially a means to

For most of us when life gets uncomfortable, when things do not go our way, and we do not get what we want or expect, we begin seeking relief. We want the pain to stop and the situation to change or go away. Too often we look for quick, easy solutions, something that will make us comfortable again, something that will allow us to go back to life the way it was before. That is the life of a leper. One day you are clean. Life is as expected. You have work, friends, and family. You are part of the faith community. The next day everything changes. The next day you are unclean. By application, we must ask ourselves: Is Jesus our Lord or just a means to an end? Am I serving God for my own gain, or to glorify God? Is my focus on my healing or The Healer?

Only two cures of lepers are recorded in the Old Testament. One was the healing of Miriam, the sister of Moses who had leprosy for seven days as a punishment for speaking against the leadership of Moses. The other one was the healing of Naaman, the army commander of the king of Aram, by Elisha the prophet, by asking him to wash seven times in the Jordan River. There were no more healings of lepers in the next 700 years in Israel. So, healing of lepers by Jesus was a sign of the Messianic Manifestation of God.

When Jesus is for us merely a means to an end, then both the **rewarding** and the **withholding** of desired **gifts/miracles/blessings** will drive us away from God. When Jesus feeds five thousand people, it was clear that this great miracle didn't help them to understand Jesus' ministry. When we accept Jesus

into our hearts, we are called to focus on how we can glorify God, not on how He can satisfy us.

This does not mean our needs are not legitimate, but it does mean that our relationship with God does not

it does mean that our relationship with God does not depend on every need being met. Neither does God's importance/relevance begin or end when those needs are met (or not). Instead of celebrating the healing, we are being asked to celebrate the Healer (like the tenth leper did). Instead of celebrating the blessing, we must learn to celebrate the Blesser.

In Jesus' response to the tenth leper, he teaches us about faith: "...your faith has made you whole." In other words, only the tenth leper had enough faith to be made whole, physically and spiritually. Salvation had come to his life. He now had a new heart to go along with his renewed skin. Clearly, the other nine lepers had a measure of faith; they had enough faith to be cured from their leprosy. But as opportunists, they, like many of us, cried out eagerly to Jesus when they were in trouble. When the trouble passed, Jesus was quickly forgotten as they moved on to new opportunities. Jesus shows us that "opportunistic faith" is not enough for our salvation. Christians tend to believe that they need more faith in order to experience God's miraculous power, but it takes more faith to submit to Jesus when all is well than when our very lives are in danger. It takes more faith to give our lives to Jesus than to receive healing.

Let us reflect this weekend on how Jesus makes a clear distinction between being *healed* and being *whole/healthy*. The tenth leper was the only one with enough faith for salvation and so he was not just healed, he was made whole; he was now healthy in body, mind, soul and spirit. Nine of the lepers settled for being healthy only in body. Likewise, we frequently seek only material/physical miracles from God, often forgetting to seek out spiritual miracles, but God's word reminds us that the *inner person* is more important than the *outer person*. To accomplish the will of God, we must be transformed inwardly. Being healed of leprosy in our flesh is of little consequence if we still have a broken spirit.

Will we cry out to Jesus for the healing of our spirit/mind as much as we cry out for the healing of our bodies? Is it more important for God to meet my need than for me to serve Him? When do I call out to God most? What kind of faith might I have? Is it good enough to be whole in God's sight? Ten lepers in a pew; which one are we?

RENEW OUR CHURCHHoly Family 2019-2024 Strategic Plan Overview

We are very pleased to present to you a brief summary of "Renew Our Church," the Holy Family Five-Year Strategic Plan, its mission, goals, and actions, as well as the process undertaken to develop it. The purpose of the Strategic Plan is to give our organization a clear and focused direction to not only sustain but continue to enhance and expand our Community. This is a living plan that will continue to evolve through the inspirations of our Faith and our Community.

The development process consisted of first reviewing the most recent parish strategic plan (2011-2014), as well as parish surveys, dating back to 2015, in which parishioners were asked to comment on their attitudes, perceptions, hopes and concerns. We also conducted a review of "best practices" among Catholic parishes in the United States, as well as attended leadership retreats and workshops inspired by contemporary resources and the Chicago Archdiocese "Renew My Church" initiative. This information served as a starting point. Next, we hired a professional with extensive strategic planning credentials to lead us through a process that culminated with a new Parish Mission Statement and a list of refined and actionable goals.

Our new Mission Statement: To empower all to experience and share the loving presence of God through sacramental living, transformative worship, lifelong spiritual growth, and community in service to others. The focus of our mission is the spiritual renewal of those already engaged in their faith within the Holy Family community and the invitation to those seeking spiritual meaning in their lives, especially those of younger generations, to a deeper relationship with Christ through engagement with our community.

Eight pillars support the goals of our Strategic Plan and detail how the plan will be achieved. There's a Director responsible for each pillar, and they've each created a Statement of Purpose that further defines each pillar. This statement serves as a guide from which specific action plans and timelines are being created, tested, implemented and tracked. The eight pillars are:

Adult Spiritual Growth

Responsible Directors: Mary Whiteside, Marsha Adamczyk, Dennis Brown

Statement of Purpose: We provide creative adult spiritual growth opportunities that will awaken the desire for a deeper, more vibrant relationship with God in, and through, Jesus Christ, nourish people on their spiritual journey, and send them to bring God's love to the world.

Worship

Responsible Director: Gene Garcia

Statement of Purpose: Worship is both an attitude of the heart and a work of the Holy Spirit.

It is not a style, but a mindset. Rich in lay participation, our worship is creative and multidimensional. With a healthy respect for the past and a commitment to contemporary relevance, it seeks to reinvigorate our faith in God and one another.

Sacramental Theology and Practice

Responsible Directors: Peg Hanrahan, Mary Whiteside, Dennis Brown, Kate O'Brien

Statement of Purpose: To be engaged in the sacramental life, the heart of Catholicism, is to recognize that all of reality reveals God's presence and is a means to encounter God.

At Holy Family we experience and share God's love through the celebration of the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. Each time we celebrate the sacraments we are continually formed and strengthened as intentional disciples of Christ, both personally and communally. We help each other prepare for, celebrate and live out what the sacraments call us to and effect in us: the development of a deeply personal, intimate relationship with the living God and the whole of God's creation.

RENEW OUR CHURCH

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Community Building

Responsible Director: Sue Geegan

Statement of Purpose: We model discipleship by welcoming visitors, engaging parishioners, fostering meaningful relationships, building community and forming new disciples.

Charity, Justice and **Pastoral Care**

Responsible Directors: Sue Geegan, Fr. Richard Jakubik

Statement of Purpose: We are faithful to Catholic social teaching and the Gospel message by offering outreach and support to people of all ages and circumstances, both in our parish and the broader community, and by advocating for those experiencing injustice.



Leadership Development

Responsible Director: Dennis Brown

Statement of Purpose: We promote the vocation and formation of strong lay leadership through meaningful training, support, guidance and feedback to improve staff and volunteer capabilities.

Stewardship of Resources Responsible Directors: Bernie Schaeffer, Rosemary Geisler

Statement of Purpose: To sustain our broader mission and goals, we promote parishioner financial stewardship and manage the assets place in our care, always acting with integrity and transparency.

Holy Family Catholic Academy

Responsible Director: Kate O'Brien

Statement of Purpose: We promote and foster engagement with the broader parish community in the areas of Catholic Identity, Academic and School Life, Governance, and Financial Vitality.

What will the Renew Our Church Strategic Plan yield for Holy Family? Here's what we hope to see and experience:

- An expanded, more engaged, and spiritually committed faith community.
- Broad scale support for our Mission through the sharing of time, talent, and treasure.
- A stronger, clearer mission and respected role for Holy Family within the local community, the broader Catholic Church and beyond.

In the months, and years, ahead, you will hear more about many of the actions and events that flow from this plan. We began this bulletin article by saying that it is a living plan, and nothing could be more true. It will live, survive, grow, evolve and change only through all of our efforts. As the work on our plan progresses, we'll be reaching out to you for your help, ideas, support and feedback. This is OUR church and OUR plan for its renewal. Please pray that this plan will produce much spiritual fruit for the good of our parish and the promotion of God's Kingdom.

If you'd like to share any initial comments, thoughts, suggestions or reactions to our Mission, please reach out to Ro Geisler at rgeisler@holyfamilyparish.org or Dennis Brown at dbrown@holyfamilyparish.org.

Liturgical Arts

Remembering Our Beloved Deceased in November

In our Catholic liturgical calendar, the month of November begins with two days devoted to those who have died: the Solemnity of All Saints on November 1st and All Souls' Day on November 2nd.

As part of our community's remembrance of our beloved deceased, photos of those who have passed will be displayed in the worship space and the Book of the Names of the Dead is placed by the Paschal Candle and baptismal font, symbolizing their Baptism into New Life.

We invite you to participate in this remembrance by bringing a photograph of your deceased loved ones and by writing their names in the Book.

Please mark your items with your name and phone number and bring them to the Parish Office. You will be able to collect them from office after November 18th.

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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.



Preparing for Next Week...

Watch our weekly SCC reflection @ https://www.youtube.com/user/HFInverness/videos.

Click on reflections for Sunday Readings for 10-20-19 and listen
to Fr. Richard Rohr reflect on the readings.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1. In the same way that Aaron and Hur supported Moses, who has or continues to support you in your faith journey?
- 2. During life's journey, who has lifted you up when you became weary?
- 3. In our second reading, Paul urges Timothy to "proclaim the message ... whether the time is favorable or unfavorable." How difficult is it to receive the message when the time is unfavorable?
- 4. Like the widow pestering the judge, have you ever felt that you are annoying God by repeatedly asking for the same thing?
- 5. If the Son of Man were to come today, in what unlikely places might He find faith on earth?

SOCIAL JUSTICE QUESTION

We must pray on a regular basis. How could you be an encouragement to those who have lost loved ones to gun violence in the city of Chicago to pray without growing weary, especially when prayers seem to go unanswered?

Liturgical Arts

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 14

9:00AM Robert Dunlap (Family)

Tuesday, October 15

9:00AM Barbara Drewganis (Deanna & Denise)

Wednesday, October 16

9:00AM Dr. Daniel Nwankwo (Family) 9:00AM Jennifer Lindvall (Avril Jayawuk)

Thursday, October 17

9:00AM Holy Family Faith Community

Friday, October 18

9:00AM Holy Family Faith Community

Saturday, October 19

5:00PM Sandy Sandquist (Nwankwo Family)

5:00PM Philippe Paragas (Family)

5:00PM Carolyn Grosch (Glenn Grosch)

Sunday, October 20

9:00AM Tan Dinh (Family)

9:00AM Thoa Nguyen (Family)

9:00AM Marianne McGehee (Ken & Vera Wiater)

11:00AM Maria DeLourdes Esparza Hernandez

(Family & Friends)

11:00AM Mario Feijoo (Wife)

11:00AM Joan Andress (Eileen Mahoney)

4:00PM Daniel Scatena (Family)

4:00PM Ted Niedz (Maggie Bondarowicz &

Eirk Htarpour)

Mass intentions are available by contacting the Parish Office



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

+ Geraldine Lombardi

"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...

Donna Bellinger, Janet Childs Helen Dillon, Geraldine Hoffman Judy & Ron Kizior William Grosch, Jerry Klaas Stanislavsky Kobiako

Wedding Banns

Heather Billings & Matthew Geiger - III Simona Bigenyte & Dawid Kolodziej - II

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*)
Captain Peter Keiser (*Army*), Ensign Patrick J. Kennelly (*Navy*)
SSGT Robert Lang (*Air Force National Guard*)
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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, October 14 Romans 1:1-7

Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 15

Romans 1:16-25 Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 16

Romans 2:1-11 Luke 11:42-46

Thursday, October 17 Romans 3:21-30 Friday, October 18 2 Timothy 4:10-17b

Luke 10:1-9 **Saturday, October 19**

Romans 4:13, 16-18 Luke 12:8-12

Sunday, October 20 Exodus 17:8-13

2 Timothy 3:14—4:2 Luke 18:1-8

Adult Faith

Beloved Retreat

Mary Whiteside
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The Beloved Retreat for November 1-3, 2019 is now full, but we have a waiting list started. If you are interested in this retreat, please contact Mary Whiteside at 847-907-3450 or mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org to be placed on the waitinhgg list. If space doesn't open up you will be the first contacted for our next retreat. Please pray for our 33 retreatants and our team as we prepare for a grace-filled weekend filled with God's love!

The Adult Faith Community...

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

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

We will be celebrating the Rite of Welcoming with our candidates at the 9:00 Mass on Sunday, October 27. Please join us as we welcome them and celebrate their desire to continue their journey toward full initiation in the Catholic Church. YOU, Holy Family Community, are an important part of their journey!

If you have any questions, contact Mary Whiteside in the Office of Adult Faith at 847-907-3450 or mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org

Annulment Ministry

We have two leaders of the Annulment Ministry who have been through the process themselves and give of their time to help others navigate the process. If you have questions about annulment or would like to talk to someone who has "been there," please contact our ministry. All inquiries are held in strict confidence and support is here for you.

If you'd like to talk, contact
Jan at jromanowski@sbcglobal.net 847-504-6924 or
Rosemary at rtspinner@gmail.com 847-991-7833.

Attention Young Adults (20s and 30s)!

The Young Adult Ministry – Northwest is gathering young adults in their 20s and 30s for the following events. Join them for a great time and meet some other young adults in the area!

YAM Goes Glam: A Night on the Red Carpet (Formal Dinner and Dancing) Saturday, November 23, 2019, 6:30 pm Manzo's Banquets, Des Plaines

\$75 per person, groups of 2-7 - \$73 per person, or tables of 8-10 - \$70 per person. For more information or to RSVP to any of the YAM-NW events, find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/yamnwc/or email us at yamnw.suburbs@gmail.com

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Divine Wisdom,

You led men and women to put in the Bible words that would bring us closer to you.

Help us to search the Holy Scriptures better each day. Enlighten us in these changing times to acquire the wisdom and grace to understand your call, reinterpreting it for our contemporary lives while remaining loyal to its eternal message.

Let your word, like good seed, take root in our hearts and bear fruit in our lives.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



Bible Journey

With Fr. Joji Thanugundla, Friar Johnpaul Cafiero, OFM, D.Min, Fr. Rich Jakubik, Psy.D., and Fr. Derran Combs, OFM, Ph.D.

Wednesday mornings, beginning on October 2, 2019 9:45 am-11:45 am

Cost: \$35 per program (or \$115 for all four programs)

All are welcome to an in-depth study of Scripture and Christianity in four parts. Beginners and Scripture Scholars alike will all benefit from this excellent program which includes small group discussion and lectures.



Fr. Joji Thanugundla, Associate Pastor of St. Anne's

Gospel of John

October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2019

Friar Johnpaul Cafiero, OFM, D.Min

"Justice and Peace Have Embraced": Reflections on the Themes of Peace and Justice in the Hebrew Scriptures

November 6, 13, 20, December 4, 2019





Fr. Rich Jakubik, PsyD, Associate Pastor, Holy Family

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Fr. Derran Combs, OFM, Ph.D.

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For a tool to help you start conversation and assess your marriage, visit https://www.familyministries.org/resources/index.asp?c_id=136&t_id=2 for the Catholic Couple Checkup for Married Couples (also available for dating or engaged couples)

Advent by Candlelight (An evening for women)
"Spiritual Makeover: The Homes of our Hearts"

Presented by Ms. Laura Field Tuesday, December 3, 2019 7:00-9:00 pm

Join us for a spiritual reflection in the church and wine and cheese reception in the narthex.

There is no charge for this event. Please register in advance so we can adequately prepare. Contact Jeannie Parry at 847-907-3448 or jparry@holyfamilyparish.org.

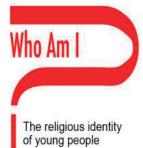
Family & Teen Faith

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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.

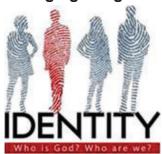
EXPLORING RELIGIOUS IDENTITY WITH TEENS

Constructing a sense of personal identity begins in adolescence and is one of the defining characteristics of emerging adulthood. *To know who I am*, requires time and opportunities for exploration. Our teens, who are part of the *postmillennial* group demographers have named **Generation Z**, are far more comfortable with shifting views of identity and deeply value authenticity. As the most racially and ethnically diverse group of Americans they see identity as more **fluid than**



fixed. They take seriously the obligation of creating self-definitions that honor diversity and champion a vast range of possibility. "It's a generational thing," says Melissa. "We have the tools and language to understand identity in ways our parents never really thought about." Gen Zers see gender and race as social constructions that need radical restructuring. Is it any wonder that their approach to religious identity is different as well?

Emerging Religious



In the past, most young people did not feel a need to explore and/or renegotiate their religious identity during adolescence. Religion was often tied to family tradition and/or ethnic identity. Previous generations identified being part of a religious tradition, long after they ceased to actively participate in religious practice.

THIS IS NO LONGER TURE.

Young people seek what they call 'authentic' faith. For them, religious identity is grounded in <u>experience</u>. Being religious is no longer a case of passive acquiescence to parental or social norms; it is a personal choice one makes. Seeing it as a personal choice, they strive toward greater consistency between religious identity and religious practice. They are wary of those who say one thing and do another. This conscious choosing is driven by the need to belong, to be connected. Gen Z thrives on connectivity. As the most globally aware generation in human history, they think in terms of "we". A 19-year-old Yale student writes,

"I'm not just thinking about the people who live on my street. I'm also thinking about the people who I'm connected to on social media from all around the world and thinking about how my actions affect them. And I think that that ethos is a core tenet of our generation."

Gen Zers are digital natives. Technology is as familiar to them as the air they breathe and it has shaped their search for truth. They are perceptive consumers of information. Complexity does not intimidate them. They are highly analytical and pragmatic. For this generation religious beliefs must be reasonable and hold up to intellectual scrutiny. There must be room for honest dialogue and open debate. They are born problem solvers, prizing questions, over answers.

As you can see, it is a demanding journey to undertake for both the young people and their mentors. Pray for all those in our community – parents catechists, peer ministers and Confirmation sponsors – who accompany our teens.

Family & Teen Faith



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Family & Teen Faith

Kairos 28

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"I was never the one to have much faith. I never really had faith in myself, or others, but my biggest weakness of all is I never really had much faith in God. I did not like the idea of going on some retreat where you're stuck with a bunch of people who just love Jesus. I had the idea it would be "Jesus this...Jesus that....Jesus is so great....Go Jesus!" But instead people would say things like, "You're so loved" or, "You're so strong." Those on Kairos believe in you, just as God does. With the help of those on Kairos, your faith just grows lovingly and naturally. You learn to have faith in yourself, you learn to have faith in those around you, but in extraordinary ways you learn to have faith in God which can sometimes be the hardest thing to find. Kairos is an amazing and indescribable experience that I wish all could experience. Kairos is a blessing. I would do it again if I could and I encourage all teenagers to go on this retreat. To say Kairos was one of the best weekends of my life would be a lie because it honestly was the best weekend of my life, nothing compares to it. Whether it's that you want to explore your faith or just be loved and supported, Kairos offers it all."

Kairos Alum

Holy Family Academy

Kate O'Brien Principal

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All Are Invited to HFCA's First Travinia Night

We are excited to bring Travinia Night to Holy Family!



What to expect:

- Teams: Up to 10 people on a team. Your team competes against the other teams for Travinia supremacy! Don't have 9 teammates? No worries! Individuals who register will be assigned to tables. Note: This event is an adults only.
- Food & Beverage: In the Ravinia picnic spirit, this is a BYOB event. Bring your own food and beverage, including wine and beer.
- Trivia, Raffles & More: Teams will compete in 4 rounds of trivia covering a wide range of subjects. There will be prizes and incentives for the team with the best themed table with decorations, food and attire (i.e. Hawaiian, Chicago Bears, Western, etc.) so be creative and have fun! There will be additional opportunities to earn points for your team, so bring cash to increase your team's chances.

Register today at: https://bit.ly/2oCi6Cw

Human Concerns

HOLY FAMILY PADS SITE for the Homeless

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. Holy Family's PADS site, a Sunday evening shelter for people facing homelessness, will begin its *nineteenth season* in October. 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.

If you have not completed orientation, go to www.journeystheroadhome.org and click on Volunteer Opportunities to find the 2019-20 orientation schedule or find a copy of the schedule on the narthex shelves. Online sign-ups are available to all volunteers who have completed orientation.

To 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.

Contact Sue Geegan with questions at sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org



ALZ**HOPE**IMERS Thursday, November 7 4:15p-6:15p

The realities of Alzheimer's disease and dementia presented with fact, life experience and humor

Stephanie Heavey, a Holy Family parishioner and author of They Lived at Our House, will take you on a journey through her husband's world of Alzheimers. Reservation forms are on the narthex shelves and need to be returned no later than November 3. There is a \$5 per person fee to attend.

2nd ANNUAL OWLS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON Wednesday, December 11 from 11am-2pm Makray Memorial Golf Club

Join us for fun, fellowship and a delicious buffet lunch (cash bar available). Tickets are \$35 per person. Reservation forms are located on the narthex shelves and must be returned no later than Sunday, November 24. Tickets are limited so reserve a spot early!

Questions on either of these OWLS events should be directed to Eileen at dwstjs@aol.com or Nadine at hfowlsnest@aol.com.

Human Concerns

RUN FOR YOUR LIFE!!!

It may sound like a game, but to millions of people around the world, this is their reality, literally. 70.8 million people are displaced around the globe. Approximately 37,000 new refugees are on the move every day. I recently took part in a simulation at the Cabrini Center in Des Plaines, and, as the Director of Human Concerns for Holy Family, I would like to share my experience with you.

First, let's answer some basic questions. What is the difference between a refugee, asylum seeker, migrant, and immigrant?

- A refugee is a person who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution, or natural disaster.
- An asylum seeker is a person who has left their home country as a political refugee and is seeking asylum in another. However, their claim for refugee status has not yet been determined.
- A migrant is a person who moves from one place to another, especially in order to find work or better living conditions.
- An immigrant is a person who comes to live permanently in a foreign country.

I experienced the "run for my life" as a refugee, fleeing my home because my life had been threatened and my village was being burned to the ground. I had 30 seconds to make a determination as to what I was going to bring along with me. I was part of a family consisting of two adults and three children ages 10 yrs – 6 months. We chose a few items: "Papers" identifying who we were, wedding ring, canteen for water, all the money we had, coat, scissors, blanket, extra pair of shoes, compass, map and a doll.

We ran in a direction we felt was going to lead us to safety following others from the village. We traveled for days, eventually coming to a check point entering another country. They inquired why we were fleeing. In order to cross they asked for our papers and were questioned about our intentions quite intently. We passed through, however, another "guard" approached us and said we could not go any further. In order to continue he inquired what we were carrying and he took the wedding ring.

These check points, questions and bartering with our belongings to continue on our path happened multiple times. At one check point, a guard took the 10 year old and told us she would be fine with him and we should continue on with her. Because we had money we were able to convince him to let her continue with us. This was an obvious attempt to eventually sell or traffic her.

We eventually came to the sea and found boats that we could sail to another country. We had very few of our belongings left and little money. We were given one life jacket for the 5 of us. We paid more of what little funding was left to secure more life jackets because we didn't know how long we would be at sea or how dangerous the journey would be. We eventually came to shore in another country and the check points, bartering and questioning continued.

Our simulation ended, however, the reality of a refugee fleeing for their life is only beginning. Left with almost nothing but the clothes on their backs, many do not survive the trip. One actual refugee said he lost track of how many days he was on a boat (a rubber boat – think small raft for about 4 people fitting comfortably) with 18 - 20 people on it for what he thought was about 17 days. (No bathroom, food and out in the hot sun fully exposed.)

Once the refugees find a refugee camp, it is not uncommon for individuals and families to stay there for **17 years**. They live in a rudimentary tent and try to find small jobs to earn wages as they must pay rent for their small tent. Refugee camps are isolated so finding a job there is limited. They still struggle to survive this leg of their ultimate journey of finding a place of opportunity and safety for themselves and their family.

The Catholic Church believes that people have the right to find opportunities in their home countries and that they have the right to migrate when conditions in their country of origin preclude them from providing for the safety and wellbeing of their families.

For more information about refugees, go to Catholic Relief Services at www.crs.org or Exodus World Service at www.exodusworldservice.org.

Human Concerns

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Whatever insults human dignity, such as subhuman living conditions, arbitrary imprisonment, deportation, slavery, prostitution, the selling of women and children; as well as disgraceful working conditions, where men are treated as mere tools for profit, rather than as free and responsible persons; all these things and others of their like are infamies indeed. They poison human society, but they do more harm to those who practice them than those who suffer from the injury. The Church in the Modern World (Gaudium et Spes. . .), #27

More information found at www.usccb.org

ASSIST A FAMILY HOLIDAY PROGRAM **NEEDS DONORS**

We are looking for volunteers to join the Assist A Family Ministry's Holiday Program. Assist A Family provides local individuals and families in need with food and gifts appropriate to the holiday at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. We serve families from Mision San Juan Diego in Arlington Heights, Partners In Our Community (POC) in Palatine and Holy Family parishioners in need.

Your involvement can be structured to your own desired participation level. You can choose to do one, two or three of the holidays, the maximum number of family members and if you would like to shop for your individual family or purchase gift cards for them to use.

Limited financial resources can make the holidays a stressful time for parents. The Assist A Family program offers relief and support to families having to choose between gift giving and paying for food and/or shelter.

Please consider joining as a donor. For more information, please see the narthex shelves for a form or go online to the Assist A Family Ministry website at www.holyfamilyparish.org or contact Kathy at either 847-977-1061 or ambikak@comcast.net. Thank you!

NORTHWEST FAMILIES MARCH FOR LIFE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 - 1:00pm Gather at St. Theresa's Gym

Join local pro-life/respect life organizations at St. Theresa's gym to raise public awareness of the sanctity of all human life, from conception to natural death. The theme this year is: Every Life is a Treasure! Walk ½ mile down Northwest Highway to a rally at the plaza with inspirational speakers and song. FREE pro-life giveaways to all participants. Stand up for God's treasured gift of LIFE! Please wear YELLOW to the march. For more details see the flyers in the narthex or contact Dan Tokarz at dtokarz@comcast.net or 847-420-4252.

Holy Family Partnerships & Support Groups

Partnerships

Catholic Charities

Provides food, clothing, shelter, counseling and other services to those in need, bringing hope to the hopeless. Mike Waters, NW Regional Director, Des Plaines mwaters@catholiccharities.net 847-376-2100

Habitat for Humanity Spring of Life Partnership

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

Journeys the Road Home

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

Misíon San Juan Diego

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

St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly

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St. Mary's Services

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Support Groups

Al-Anon

Helps friends and families of alcoholics find support and understanding. Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30am in room Lower Level 3. Childcare available.

Cathie: 847-255-3653

AMITA Health Behavioral Medicine

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

Job Support

A vibrant networking group designed to support those who are searching for a new position or career. We encourage all attendees to share talents, advice and contacts. The group meets Saturday mornings from 7:30 to 9:30 am in Common Ground. For each meeting bring 25 copies of a resume or handbill. Doris Willerth 847-922-6633 Tom Kabarec - 847-337-5033 -

trkabarec@comcast.net Frank Sevilla 847-567-0969

LOSS (Survivors of Suicide)

Facilitated by staff of Catholic Charities on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Holy Family at 7:00pm. Contact: Emily T. 312-655-7284

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 & Trudi Mickey- 847-991-6255 mickeydan@comcast.net

One In Love (LGBT)

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

Rising from Divorce

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

To Be Joyful Again

"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.

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Inquiries are welcomed: Call Mimi Ferlita at 847-907-3425 or mferlita@holyfamilyparish.org.

Rising from Divorce

We are a peer support group that meets every first and third Monday evening for those with experiences or affected by Divorce, Separation or a Challenging Relationship. Come join us on **October 21** from 7:00-9:00 pm in Breakout 1 meeting room. Walk-in's welcomed. Great Program! Topic is the theme of the DVD but so much more information is offered. There will be a group discussion following the DVD. The topics covered each session give important insight on divorce and effects on families, regardless of our family's ages! For more information, contact Kathy Kvitek at kathykv2@gmail.com or Mike Kimak Michael.kimak@gmail.com

Bereavement Ministry Training

If you have a compassionate heart and want to comfort those who grieve , consider becoming a Bereavement Minister. Training will be held on **Nov. 23, 2019** at St Mary Parish Conference Center, 201 E. Illinois Rd. in Lake Forest, IL 60045. To register or for more information contact Mimi Ferlita 847-907-3425 or mferlita@holyfamilyparish.org

Save the Date Minister of Care Meeting (Five Parishes) October 24

at St. Colette, Rolling Meadows. Speaker, Friar Johnpaul Cafiero Topic: *Put Yourself on First; Care for the Caregiver*

Al-Anon

Meetings are for friends and families of alcoholics who will find support and understanding. Come join us each Saturday morning 9:30-11:30am Lower Level #3. For more information please call Cathie at 847-255-3653.

Mental Health Support

A support group for families and friends of people with mental health issues that meets 1st Wednesday of each month from 7:00-8:30pm. Next meeting is **November 6**. For more info contact Dan and Trudi Mickey at 847-991-6255.

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New compassion group: "A Light Hearted Break"



A Light Hearted Break is a group for those suffering chronic physical illness along with their family members or caregivers.

Meets on 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month from 6:30-7:30pm.

For more information call Sue Cox 847-721-4647.

LOSS (Survivors of Suicide) Support Group

You are welcome to join us on **October 16** (3rd Wednesday of each month) at 7:00pm to be with others who share your loss. This gathering is facilitated by Catholic Charities and hosted by Holy Family. For more resources go to www.catholiccharities.net/loss. For more information, please call Emily T. at 312-655-7284.

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 **October 17** (we meet on the first & third Thursday the month at 7:00pm in Lower Level room 083. For more information, please call Pat Bongiorno at 847-985-4624 or Bob Boho at 847-438-2884.

US Too Prostate Cancer Support Group

For men and couples who are dealing with prostate cancer, join us on **October 22** for support, resources and information (every 4th Tuesday of the month) from 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Parish Support & Services

Weekly Attendance and Collection - Last 4 Weeks							
Sunday Date	Attendance	C					
Sept 15	2,320	\$	67,041				
Sept 22	2,006	\$	27,883				
Sept 29	2,250	\$	42,849				
Oct 6	2,027	\$	49,568				

Note: Collections vary week to week primarily based on electronic contributions

Year to Date Collection Summary

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Sunday & Electronic Collections	\$	539,334	\$	529,485	\$	9,849
Christmas	\$	100	\$	-	\$	100
Easter	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Major Collections Totals	\$	539,434	\$	529,485	\$	9,949
Prior Week Totals Note: Parish fiscal year is July 1 to June 30	\$	489,866	\$	489,789	\$	77



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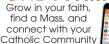


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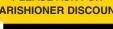
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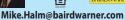
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The key initiatives of this campaign are:

- 1) Building Our Community An initiative aimed at reenergizing parishioners, providing spiritual renewal for the disenchanted, and engaging the future leaders of our Church
- **2) Sustaining Our Mission** To provide for the ongoing maintenance and upgrades needed for a welcoming and functional facility that can serve our parishioners and visitors for years to come
- **3) Supporting Our Archdiocese** As a leader in the larger Church community, we will support programs for innovative education for Catechists, Scholarships, and infrastructure of facilities throughout the Archdiocese

Each week we will provide you with additional detail on each initiative. This week, we'll feature *Building Our Community:*

This initiative to build an engaged and vibrant community is fundamental to our mission of welcoming all into God's presence. This is intended to ignite a desire for a deeper relationship with Christ. We are called to be disciples of God and welcome the stranger into His arms. By generating more energy among parishioners through understanding and serving their needs. We serve our mission by expanding the reach of our faith and welcoming the future stewards of the Church.

We will develop programs for spiritual renewal and faith formation that have measurable results and sustainable means of funding beyond the initial campaign support.

Community building is a key aspect of Holy Family's Strategic Plan, Renew Our Church, and launching these complementary initiatives will serve our long-term goals of sustainability and leadership in worship and faith building.



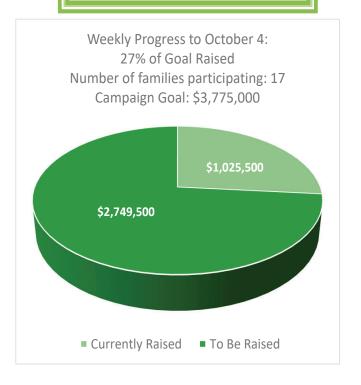
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