



**HOLY FAMILY**  
**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**  
*inviting all to new life in Christ*

**Please know that all events at Holy Family Parish have been canceled until further notice. This bulletin is put together weeks in advance of its publication date and the events herein are no longer applicable.**

**Take good care of yourselves until we gather together again.**



a change in perspective  
LENT 2020

# About Us

## Holy Family

### Catholic Community

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Fr. Terry Keehan

*Pastor*

Fr. Richard Jakubik

*Associate Pastor*

Deacon Dennis Brown

*Pastoral Associate*

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 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.

## 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](mailto: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)	

**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 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

e-mail: [council@holyfamilyparish.org](mailto:council@holyfamilyparish.org)

Mike Myers	Chair – Community Building
Bill Leece	Adult Spiritual Growth
Pete Barber	Stewardship
Luis Gutierrez	Charity, Justice & Pastoral Care
Bob Keller	Worship
Greg Flanagan	Knights of Columbus
Rick Zanardo	Sacramental Theology & Practice
Fr. Terry Keehan	Pastor (Staff)
Sue Geegan	Staff

## Non-Voting Community Representatives

Chad Archer	Deanery Rep
Mike Pazur	Academy Parents Rep
Joan Sloan	Teen Faith (Adult Rep)
Vince Perrone	Teen Faith (Teen Rep)
Kasia Meler	Teen Faith (Teen Rep)

*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. Council meeting minutes can be found on the website.*

## Finance Council

The Finance Council of Holy Family meets quarterly and its current members are:

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

## Follow Us on Social Media



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<https://twitter.com/HolyFamilyCCI>



<https://www.pinterest.com/holyfamilyCCI/>

## Prayer-Infused Confidence, Compassion, and Selflessness

Today's news is dominated by one thing: **the rise and spread** of the (COVID-19) novel coronavirus. It's easy to be **gripped by fear**. The coronavirus has created a **panic shopping frenzy** causing people to stock up on products ranging from cleansing wipes to peanut butter. We have heard of those who have had to wait hours for just two cases of bottled water, paper towels and toilet tissue. Suddenly, the **crowds**, the **empty shelves**, the **rationing** is making us all very nervous. One person expressed it this way, **"Before it was a scare, now it's real."** We also heard this week of the **greedy bros** who bought almost **18,000 bottles of hand sanitizer** to make a profit off the fears of the general public. Whenever we love ourselves more than our neighbor, we are seeing with eyes closed, blind to the value of the other's life. When we can recognize the injustice of a situation, we are then feeling another's pain as our own, we see the needs and life of another as valuable and as important as our own. As we all prepare to hunker down in the midst of this growing pandemic, let us be reminded that **panic, worry, fear, and greed** accomplish nothing except **weakness of our heart and head**. It's been said that **90 percent** of the things we **worry or become panicked** about **never happen**, and the other **10 percent** are **outside our control**. It **takes the same amount of energy to worry as it does to pray and be hopeful**. One leads to **peace**, the other to **panic**. Faith teaches us to act wisely.

**As Catholics and Christians, what does it mean to be "church" in times like this when our present circumstances keep us from physically gathering together, probably for the next coming weeks and maybe months? What do you want your reaction to this crisis to be? In the midst of this global crisis, how can we, as parishioners and faith leaders of Holy Family Parish, make a difference in our community and world?**

This weekend's gospel of John tells us that the **man born blind** had his **eyes opened**, with the implication that they had been closed. This is not just about physical sight. This is about **spiritual seeing**. **Do we see with eyes opened or do we see with eyes closed? When we live and see with eyes closed, we withhold love, mercy, live in fear and let selfishness control our lives.** Often, we can feel so **small, helpless, and insignificant** in a crisis. But our **faith** tells us that there is always something we can do.

**Jesus takes on our suffering, bears it, and moves through it to resurrection.** This is **"the paschal mystery"** we are moving towards. We too can follow this

path, actively joining God's loving solidarity with all who are suffering since the foundation of the world. Jesus does not ask us to worship him. He asks us to follow him by trusting and allowing this risky but revealing journey. If God is indeed **Infinite Love**, then humans and all of creation are **Infinite Becoming** (which is the core meaning of **"divinization"** or **theosis**, the process of salvation). Let us call out to our Father in heaven. We know a God who walks with crucified people, and thus, reveals and "redeems" their plight as God's own. For them, God is not observing human suffering from a distance, He is somehow **in human suffering with us and for us**.

In times of crisis, the world needs **steady people who are strengthened by God's grace and made selfless by God's power**. When we **offer peace, forgive, act with compassion**, we are seeing with eyes open. Our eyes open when we look beyond outward appearances and see as God sees by looking into the heart of the other person or situation. With open eyes, Jesus sees in us **more beauty, more goodness, more holiness, than we often see in ourselves and each other**. His love is intended to **open our eyes to see anew; a new life, a new world, and new possibilities**. What we often don't understand is that his love is in our midst and for our good, even when it doesn't feel that way. Jesus is a prophet who has come into this world for our love and healing. **When we see with open eyes, we see beauty, hope, and goodness**. We must then **act wisely and responsibly**.

Let us show **prudent and compassionate care** for those who are more susceptible to illness (including the elderly and immune-deficient) while modeling the **strength and hope**, characteristic of those who **know Christ**. Let us recognize that there is some subjectivity in responding to a crisis, even among those **listening to and seeking God's wisdom**. **Pray for the authorities running our countries and cities. Pray for the medical teams treating the sick. Pray for those who have been infected, for the people afraid to leave their homes, for those living in red zones, for those at high risk with other illnesses, and for the elderly. Pray that the Lord would protect us all and keep us in His tender care.**

*Where does Jesus' love intersect in your life?  
What is it asking of us?*

*Where does our seeing diverge from Jesus' seeing?*

*What possibilities and hope does Jesus' love offer you and our world right now?*

## Easter Flower & Environment Memorials

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As we journey through this Lenten season towards Easter, please consider honoring your loved ones with a memorial donation to our Liturgical Arts Flower and Environment fund. We will list all donations in a bulletin during the Easter season. Envelopes may be found on the counters in the narthex or in the parish office. Thank you!

The Liturgical Arts Community... creates a vibrant prayer and worship experience so that all may participate in a fully conscious and active way in the liturgy. This includes different forms of prayer and worship experiences, for all attending Holy Family.

## Stations of the Cross

**7:00pm**

**March 27**

With the Human Concerns Community

**April 3**

With Fr. Terry

**April 7 - 2:45pm**

Living Stations of the Cross

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Training for**  
**New Eucharistic**  
**Ministers**

**Wednesday, April 15**  
**7:00 – 9:30 pm**

To register,  
contact Judy Petrie  
jpetrie@holyfamilyparish.org  
by April 12th.

## Preparing for Next Week...

Watch our weekly SCC reflection @ <https://www.youtube.com/user/HFInverness/> videos. Click on reflections for Sunday Readings for 3-29-20 and listen to Fr. Richard Rohr reflect on the readings.

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

1. In Ezekial, the Lord says: "I have promised, and I will do it." What have you seen the Lord do this Lenten season, perhaps in a God sighting?
2. Paul says, "the Spirit of God dwells in you." In today's world, what can we do to keep our lives centered in the Spirit?
3. Why do you think that Jesus wept at the grave of Lazarus?
4. The faith of Mary and Martha was unshaken even before their brother was raised from the dead. How do we keep our faith as strong in the midst of uncertain outcomes?
5. We are about to enter the period of our Lord's Passion. How can we enhance our connection to this sacred time?

### SOCIAL JUSTICE QUESTION

Can you recall a time when you were Christ to a Lazarus in your life?



# Liturgical Arts

## Mass Intentions

*Please be assured that our priests will include these intentions in their daily prayers while Masses are suspended.*

### Monday, March 23

7:00PM Ruth Koenigs (Pastoral Care)

### Tuesday, March 24

9:00AM Anthony Gallagher (Main Family)  
9:00AM Jimmy Martin (Van Acker Family)  
9:00AM Jerry Seaman (Mike Seaman)

### Wednesday, March 25

9:00AM John Mendala (Marcia Mendala)

### Thursday, March 26

9:00AM Kirstin Noon (Joanne Noon)

### Friday, March 27

9:00AM Holy Family Faith Community

### Saturday, March 28

5:00PM Agnes & Constanty Obrochta (Family)  
5:00PM Natalia Adamczyk (Family)  
5:00PM Donald DePratt, Sr. (Family)

### Sunday, March 29

9:00AM Vicki Lachowicz (Family)  
9:00AM Ed Droska (Joan Kampfner)  
9:00AM Judy Lipp (Lorraine Standiford)  
  
11:00AM Mary Tazelaar (Jane & Steve Williams)  
11:00AM Basilio Palang (Family)  
11:00AM Winilio de la Calzanda (Desierto Family)  
  
4:00PM Joan Shomberg (Daugerdas Family)

Mass intentions are available  
by contacting the Parish Office



## Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

+ Donald DePratt, Sr.                      + Sauro Pighini  
+ Judith Kizior                              + Mary Lea Smeltzer  
+ Eni Lagattola                              + Michael Speros  
+ Rudy Lisle                                  + Joseph Szczesny  
+ Sharon Machiori

*"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...

Avery Grace Boland  
Benilde Matera  
John Schmidtke  
Pat Wilkie

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

Lt. Colonel David J. Benjamin III (Army), Capt. Sean P. Benjamin (Army)  
Captain Bill Dirkes, M.D. (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)  
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

### Sunday, March 22

1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
John 9:1-41

### Monday, March 23

Isaiah 65:17-21  
John 4:45-54

### Tuesday, March 24

Ezekial 47:1-9,12  
John 5:1-16

### Wednesday, March 25

Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10  
Hebrews 10:4-10  
Luke 1:26-38

### Thursday, March 26

Exodus 32:7-14  
John 5:31-47

### Friday, March 27

Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22  
John 7:1-2,10,25-30

### Saturday, March 28

Jeremiah 11:18-20  
John 7:40-53

### Sunday, March 29

Ezekial 37:12-14  
Romans 8:8-11  
John 11:1-45

# Parish Support & Services

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The Parish Support  
 & Services  
 Community...  
 oversees the parish  
 business and  
 infrastructure activities  
 to ensure they operate  
 efficiently.

## Weekly Attendance and Collection - Last 4 Weeks

Sunday Date	Attendance	Collection
Feb 23	2,104	\$ 45,178
Mar 1	2,137	\$ 33,043
Mar 8	1,886	\$ 38,750
Mar 15	0	\$ 46,589

*Note: Collections vary week to week primarily based on the timing of electronic contributions*

## Year to Date Collection Summary

Through March 16, 2020

	Actual	Budget	Delta to Budget
Sunday & Electronic Collections	\$ 1,510,322	\$ 1,435,664	\$ 74,658
Christmas	\$ 204,256	\$ 215,000	\$ (10,744)
Easter	\$ 3,200	\$ 5,161	\$ (1,961)
<b>Major Collections Totals</b>	<b>\$ 1,717,778</b>	<b>\$ 1,655,825</b>	<b>\$ 61,953</b>
<b>Prior Week Totals</b>	<b>\$ 1,670,589</b>	<b>\$ 1,614,894</b>	<b>\$ 55,695</b>

Note: Parish fiscal year is July 1 to June 30

Note: Total Easter Budget is \$120,000



## 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

**God calls us in a WHISPER...Go...bring me to those who are ill, hospitalized, homebound or in nursing homes and to those who grieve. Many opportunities. Try a Ministry out for one time to see if it is a good fit for you. Fear is not from God! Will train! No experience necessary.**

Fr. Rich Jakubik

Director

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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.
  - **Pastoral Care Ministry support:** help with Wake prayers; Committal Service prayers
  - **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 St. Alexius Hospital:** visit patients, bring Communion
  - **Minister of Care to Homebound:** visits homebound parishioners who request Communion in their home.
  - **Minister of Care Nursing Homes:** provides Communion service to Rosewood, Poplar Creek & Charter nursing homes.
- 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 from 7:00-9:00 pm in Breakout 1 meeting room on **April 6**. 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 at Michael.kimak@gmail.com

## Support Group:

### "A Light Hearted Break"

A Light Hearted Break is a new spiritually centered support group offered to those suffering with or a companion to those who have ongoing health conditions. We meet on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month. Come join us on **March 24 at 6:30pm**. For more information call Sue Cox 847-721-4647.

## To Be Joyful Again Ministry

"To Be Joyful Again" is a non-denominational support group for widows and widowers who meet on the first & third Thursday the month. We welcome you to join us on **April 2 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.

## 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 on **April 1**. For more info contact Dan and Trudi Mickey at 847-991-6255.

## Joyful Again!

Widowed and feeling stuck? Come and find ways to move toward inner peace and new hope in life. Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry program presents retreats/workshops for men & women. Call 708-354-7211 for schedule and more information.

## LOSS (Survivors of Suicide) Support Group

You are welcome to join us on **April 15 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](http://www.catholiccharities.net/loss). For more information, please call Emily T. at 312-655-7284.

## US Too Prostate Cancer Support Group

For men and couples who are dealing with prostate cancer. For resources and meeting information call Cliff Whall 630-718-1304. Meets every 4th Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is **March 24 from 6:30-9:00**; advanced group meets from 5:30-6:30pm.

## Al-Anon

Al-Anon helps friends and families of alcoholics find support and understanding. Come join us **each Saturday morning 9:30-11:00am** Lower Level #3. For more information please call Cathie at 847-255-3653.



## Bible Journey Spring Session Final Session: What the Bible Says About Friendship”

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Presented by Fr. Derran Combs, OFM, Ph.D.  
Wednesday, March 25, 2020  
from 9:45am-11:45 am  
Cost: \$35



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

RSVP to Jeannie Parry at [jparry@holymfamilyparish.org](mailto:jparry@holymfamilyparish.org) or 847-907-3448

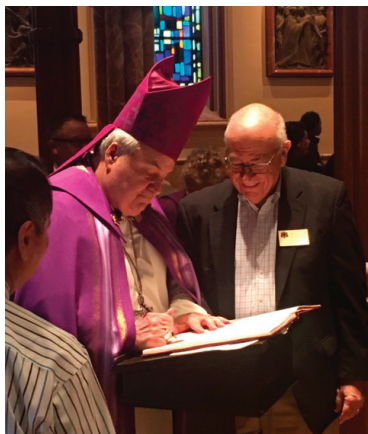


## RCIA

On March 1, Bishop John Manz welcomed a full Cathedral of men and women who are planning to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. Our Holy Family candidates and catechumens were there, and our catechumens are now officially our “Elect.” It was a beautiful day in the city, with a powerful welcome!

If you, or anyone you know, might be interested in joining us for RCIA in the fall, please join us at the Easter Vigil and witness the beautiful celebration of the Sacraments. We will have several adult baptisms at that Mass.

For more information about the RCIA process, please contact Mary Whiteside at 847-907-3450 or [mwhiteside@holymfamilyparish.org](mailto:mwhiteside@holymfamilyparish.org).





## Edwina Gateley

*Born in Lancaster, England, Edwina Gateley's educational experiences have awarded her a Teacher's Degree from her home country, a Master's Degree in Theology from Catholic Theological Union, Chicago, and certification as an HIV counselor in Illinois. After some time in prayer and solitude and then spending a year on the streets of Chicago walking with the homeless and women involved in prostitution, Edwina founded Genesis House, a house of hospitality and nurturing for the women involved in prostitution. She also founded the Volunteer Missionary Movement (VMM) in England to recruit, prepare and send lay missionaries to work in the developing world. The VMM has sent over 3,000 women and men to serve in 26 countries throughout the world. Edwina's missionary work took her to Uganda where she established a school for Ugandan girls, which became the largest and most successful in the area. Edwina is a writer and speaker, leading national and international retreats as well as Parish Missions, and she continues to work with women in recovery through her small Foundation, Sophia's Circle.*



## Parish Mission 2020 Call to Personal and Global Transformation



Presented by  
**Edwina Gateley**  
March 22, 23 and 24, 2020  
7:00-8:30 pm  
No cost, no need to register.  
Bring a friend.

### **March 22 - TRUST: God in Us and We in God**

God longs for our love and trust, and calls us to be still and listen to the divine whisper in our hearts. We will explore how God is always anxious to reassure and comfort us so that we might believe in our possibilities and become a holy people.

### **March 23 - TRANSFORMATION**

We are called to a life-long journey of personal transformation. The Holy Spirit is always waiting to stretch us to be more faithful to the Gospel and to recognize God's presence in ourselves and in all people. Transformation involves going further than we think we can in our call to deepen into God.

### **March 24 - MISSION**

The Christian community is called to mission—to bring about a world of justice and peace. In the midst of violence, war and poverty we must continue to struggle for a world which reflects the Realm of God. We can, and must, make a difference because God is with us.

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In the midst of our violent and hurting world we will explore how God as Lover, Healer and Seducer ever invites us to new possibilities and to believe in our potential to make a difference. Through Scripture and contemporary stories we will explore how we are called to recognize and nurture God's presence in our world and in ourselves.

# 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.



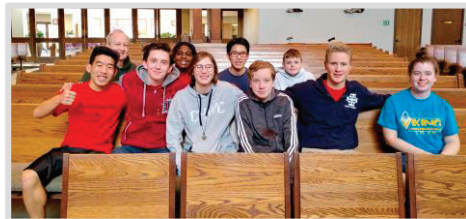
The cast and crew, led by Directors Lynn Daugerdas and Kristin Berryhill have been hard at work since December to produce our annual Passion Play.

The focus for this year's Passion Play is Jesus' wholehearted commitment to the will of God. Standing up to the threats from the Jewish priests, as well as the fears his disciples have for his safety, Jesus models a radical trust in the Father's love.



**Cast rehearses scene on March 1**

Told from a Jewish perspective, this year's Passion Play, highlights Jesus' friendship with Lazarus and his sisters Martha and Mary, as well as the women named in Luke's gospel who financially supported Jesus' public ministry. Lesser-known gospel characters brought forward this year include Nicodemus and the blind man Bartimaeus.



**The technical crew, led by Mr. Bernie Rupe (back row far left) attend rehearsal on March 1. This year's tech crew of 11 is the largest ever for the Passion Play.**

Please mark your calendars now and plan to join us on **Good Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>** for a truly remarkable and inspiring proclamation of the Passion Narrative at **12, 3:00 or 7:30 pm.**

**Come and experience innovative worship that speaks to the heart.** The proclamation of the Passion in drama and song is accompanied by the ancient Christian ritual of venerating the cross at 12 Noon and 7:30 pm. The 3:00 pm service also includes the reception of the Eucharist. Let this moving and reverent witness by this young generation of Catholics, fill you with hope and peace.



**Musical Director, Kristin Berryhill, works with ensemble group.**

# Family & Teen Faith

## REGISTER NOW FOR TEEN FAITH'S SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Join teens from Holy Family as well as teens from Catholic parishes across the Midwest for an amazing week of prayer, service, fellowship, faith sharing and high energy games and activities for a ton of fun. Once again, we will partner with **Catholic Work Heart** as we head to **Farmington, Michigan** (a northern suburb of Detroit), the week of **June 21-26, 2020**.

Catholic Work Heart Camp's motto is **Love. Serve. Connect.** The Mission Trip provides opportunities for teens to restore homes, feed the hungry, lift the spirits of children, bring joy to the elderly and disabled, and help local social service agencies.

This year's Camp has filled fast and we only have **17 teen spots left**. If you want to go register ASAP. The last two years we had waiting lists. To sign-up go to <https://holyfamilyparish.org/teen-permission-form-2020>.

**The program is open to all those going into 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2020 through high school seniors who graduate in the Spring of 2020.** The projected cost of the trip this year is \$670.00 per participant. We run three fundraisers prior to the trip to defray the cost per teen to between \$300-350. All teens wishing to defray their personal cost are asked to help with each fundraiser.

## FAMILY AND TEEN FAITH TUITION DISCOUNTS

Parents if you applied for the Participating Parishioner Tuition Rate you agreed to the following;

- Being a registered member of the Parish - registering as a parishioner is a simple two-step process. If you need help with this contact Sue Geegan at [sgeegan@hoyfamilyparish.org](mailto:sgeegan@hoyfamilyparish.org)
- Contributing five (5) hours of service to the Faith Program per family (not per child)
- Contributing to the financial well-being of the Parish Community through credit card or checks (cash donations cannot be tracked). No amount is specified.

If you have not completed these requirements please do so by June 20, 2020. If you are not sure if you have completed your service hours or financial obligation, please contact Courtney, [csmola@holyfamilyparish.org](mailto:csmola@holyfamilyparish.org) who the person who maintains our records.

## OUR FOURTH GRADERS IN BOTH FAMILY FAITH AND HFCA

**CELEBRATED THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**, using Form I (individual, face-to-face) for the first time this past week. We congratulate them and ask you to pray that celebrating this sacrament will always be a source of comfort and peace for them.

## REGISTRATION FOR OUR 2020-2021 OPENED MARCH 8 FOR RETURNING STUDENTS

- parents **FAST TRACK FORMS** went/will go home with the oldest child/teen in every family March 8 & 11. This is the quickest and easiest way to register your children for Faith classes next year. We also sent an email to the parents of all current students outlining our new online registration process. We hope these changes will simplify this process for you. If you have questions, please reach out to Courtney, [csmola@holyfamilyparish.org](mailto:csmola@holyfamilyparish.org).

**Online Registration or registration for families that are new to Family & Teen Faith will open April 1, 2020.** Parents should be advised that The Archdiocese of Chicago requires two years of formal religious education prior to the reception of First Communion and all Confirmation Preparation programs are to be two years in length. Preparation for Confirmation at Holy Family begins in ninth grade.



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Our 5th and 6th grade students recently visited NIU's Lorado Taft Campus where they interacted with the natural world through multidisciplinary activities. During this 3-day, 2-night trip, students participate in activities that support our curriculum. Included in these activities are orienteering and usage of GPS technology, a simulation of the food energy cycle, an exploration of the rock and minerals, and wilderness survival.

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## LENT SOCIAL JUSTICE 2020 LOVE FIRST - A CHANGE IN PERSPECTIVE

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### The Human Concerns

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faith into action.

The number 7 is highly significant in the bible as God rested on the 7th day of creation. Holy Family has completed six Lenten Social Justice Projects since the first visit to St. Paul in Kentucky in 2014. This is our 7th year and we plan to “rest” by focusing on Love First. Because when **we Love First**, we experience **a Change in Perspective**. We will reaffirm our commitment to the 7 major principles of Catholic social teaching and review and receive current updates on the impact of our past six Lenten projects. Through the Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting and alms-giving, let us be energized and recommit ourselves to share time, talent and treasure within our community of faith and beyond.

### ***What does Catholic social teaching say about the Call to Family, Community, and Participation?***

#### **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. The family is the central social institution 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.

#### **Lenten Social Justice Project 2019**

##### **Kino Border Initiative and the Holy Family Fund**

Last year, Holy Family raised awareness of immigrants striving to live a life that is productive while in an environment that is safe and nurturing. Partnering with Catholic Extension Society, we raised, in total, **\$79,698** for KBI and The Holy Family Fund.

**The Kino Border Initiative (KBI)** promotes U.S./Mexico border and immigration policies that affirm the dignity of the human person and a spirit of bi-national solidarity through direct assistance and education. Every year, thousands of migrant men, women and children are deported to Nogales, Sonora, Mexico or arrive in the city fleeing from Central America. They often arrive with only the clothes on their backs and a small plastic bag that contains their belongings. They often do not know where to turn to receive a meal, find shelter and to make a phone call. They also arrive emotionally and psychologically devastated, due to separation from their family members or the inability to work legally in the United States.

#### **Love First**

KBI recently dedicated a brand new building to better serve people fleeing their homeland due to famine or violence. The dedication began with a **Love First** moment. A woman noticed people walking in her neighborhood with white lips. She knew that meant they were hungry and dehydrated. She saw so many people that she thought all she could do was pray. While continuing to see these people, she then wondered, “How much can it cost to offer them some beans and a cup of water?” That was in 2010. What began with a woman with love for her neighbor in her heart grew to what is now KBI. They began to serve people in a small building holding approximately 100 people at a time. Since 2010, it is estimated 775,000 immigrants have been served by KBI in that small building. This new building with greater capacity allows KBI to provide additional services such as counseling, sleeping quarters and a clothing room.

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# Human Concerns

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Because of our donation to fund support services to their visitors, KBI dedicated the Social Services Room in the new facility in Holy Family's honor.

**The Holy Family Fund** is a program provided by Catholic Extension in partnership with local Catholic Charities offices and other agencies providing case management. It provides emergency funds and services to a family after one or more of the undocumented income-earning adults in the home are detained or deported by the US government. The families contribute to the fund on a monthly basis (\$20 for an individual, \$30 for a couple). The participant becomes eligible by enrolling through an agency such as Catholic Charities and paying their monthly fee to the Holy Family Fund. After the needs of the family are assessed, the family may receive benefits up to \$5000 per enrolled participant to help pay for rent or house payments, utilities, health care, etc. to maintain stability for the family.

## Love First

In August, 2019, nearly 700 workers in chicken processing plants in the Jackson, MS diocese were arrested in ICE raids. Most were of Guatemalan descent. Beginning with **Love First**, Catholic Extension, with the assistance of Holy Family Parish, has been instrumental in providing resources and aid to local Catholic churches serving these families whose lives were turned upside down in a matter of moments. I had the privilege to be with a few of these families in November as they told stories of what transpired during the raids and how this experience is currently affecting them, their children and their community. Separating children from a parent has long-term psychological effects. To make matters more dire, the children are not allowed to speak about their experience or the experience of their parents in school. The trauma festers with no safe place to talk about fears and concerns. The Holy Family Fund is currently helping hundreds of people affected in the raids by providing clinical counselors to listen and provide practical steps toward healing. This **Love First** step is crucial for these families to begin rebuilding their lives.

## LENT SOCIAL JUSTICE 2020 LOVE FIRST - A CHANGE IN PERSPECTIVE COMMITMENT CARD

Have you made a commitment yet to volunteer your time, talent and treasure for Lent? If not, please prayerfully consider one of the opportunities offered on the Commitment Card Pamphlet. Both the Commitment Card and the Pamphlet are available on the narthex shelves. Contact Sue at [sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org](mailto:sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org) or 847-907-3443 with questions.

## Adult(s) needed to help set up our PADS site

Our PADS site, which serves homeless adults and families on Sunday evenings, needs one or two adults to help us set up our PADS site every Sunday in March and April from 5-6:30pm. Serve one time or multiple times. There is no interaction with our PADS guests so prior training is not required although some lifting is necessary. Training will be provided on site. Contact Sue at [susanmccoppin2003@yahoo.com](mailto:susanmccoppin2003@yahoo.com).

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## Of Special Note



Remember what it was like to be a young parent with toddlers – the many challenges of attending events with young, active children? Restaurants, School Meetings, Sunday Mass? We are providing you an opportunity to give back so our Holy Family parents can have quiet prayer at Sunday Mass twice a month. Our Kid Kare has been so successful that we are looking to expand to **include the 11:00 Mass** every other Sunday beginning the First Sunday of the month.

This opportunity to give back has been described by our current 9:00 team leader as a true Ministry. It is a calling, not a job that one can do for money. The team loves serving and helping other young families become a more engaged Holy Family parishioner.

If you are **passionate, patient, and committed**---please think about volunteering to become a leader for the 11:00 team. A team consists of one Virtus trained adult and 2 teens. This is also a perfect opportunity for a teen who loves kids, perhaps interested in studying early child care or needs volunteer hours.

And this opportunity comes with many benefits --- Exercise, Miles of Smiles, Tons of Hugs, Super Hero Status, and personal satisfaction for helping another family.

*If you would like to learn more, please call our current 9:00 Team Leader, Nancy Lacek, and catch her excitement. She can be reached at **847-502-3996** or **nlacek1@aol.com**.*



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# SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY

Holy Family Catholic Community offers a multitude of ministries and programming as part of our mission "To empower all to experience and share the loving presence of God through sacramental living, transformative worship, life-long spiritual growth and community in service to others." Here are just a few opportunities to serve by sharing your gifts and talents.

**FAMILY FAITH: *Spirit Camp*** - Adult volunteers are needed to be part of this year's Leadership team. Volunteers will also be needed to help with Crafts, Games, Activity Center (imagination station), Drama, Snacks, Decorating, Music, Safety and Toddler Camp. All are welcome to join. LOTS of hands are needed!

Contact: Laura Ferlita                      847-907-3436                      lferlita@holymfamilyparish.org

**HUMAN CONCERNS: *Hospitality Ministry*** - We are building a team for the Saturday 5pm Mass to help plate sweets, and serve coffee and refreshments after Mass. If you like to bake, you are more than welcome to serve something homemade for our parishioners and visitors to enjoy.

Time commitment: 30 minutes before and after Mass                      Frequency: Once every 5-6 weeks

Contact: Carrie Crall                      carrie.crall@yahoo.com

**LITURGICAL ARTS: *Foot Washing*** - Lend a hand during Holy Week! Help us act as servants to each other on Holy Thursday. Foot Washing helpers needed on Holy Thursday during evening Mass on April 9th to assist with filling water pitchers and distributing/collecting towels. For more information on this opportunity or to volunteer, contact LiturgicalArts@holymfamilyparish or 847-907-3430.

**LITURGICAL ARTS: *Arts and Environment*** - Environment decorating helpers needed to help transform the Multitorium and Social Center into our worship space for Easter morning Mass. Work will be done on Good Friday, April 10th from 10am – noon.

For more information on this opportunity or to volunteer, contact LiturgicalArts@holymfamilyparish or 847-907-3430.

**LITURGICAL ARTS: *Linen Sacristans*** - Could you help us behind the scenes/in your own home, by cleaning and pressing our altar linens and purificators? This could be a reflective, prayerful service opportunity for you to become even closer to Christ: pray while you press linens. Service is all completely behind the scenes. No meetings! Schedule is approximately once a month and instruction is provided. Pick up the soiled linens after weekend Masses, launder, press and return them in time for the next weekend. Sign up for a week on your own or split the duties for a week with a friend.

To volunteer or for more information contact liturgicalarts@holymfamilyparish.org or 847-907-3430.

**PARISH SUPPORT AND SERVICES: *KidKare*** - Opportunities for volunteers to care for children ages 1 to 4 in the nursery on the first and third Sunday of each month, during the 9:00am Mass (from 8:30 to 10:30). We are also looking for an adult leader for KidKare during the 11:00 mass. Experience required.

Contact: Nancy Lacek                      847-502-3996                      nlacek1@aol.com

**PASTORAL CARE: *Funeral Ministry Team*** - Members of this team set up for the Funeral Mass or Service in the church or chapel. They welcome the grieving family and their guests during visitation and the funeral service. They also assist the priest during the Mass/service. Training is provided at Holy Family

Time commitment: 2 to 3 1/2 hours for each funeral Mass or service.

Frequency: on call, Monday through Saturday

Contact: Mimi Ferlita                      847-907-3425                      mferlita@holymfamilyparish.org

***For a complete listing of all volunteer opportunities, visit [www.holymfamilyparish.org](http://www.holymfamilyparish.org)***