



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



Love Always

Life In Perspective | Easter 2020

# About Us

## Holy Family

### Catholic Community

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*Pastor*

Fr. Richard Jakubik

*Associate Pastor*

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*Pastoral Associate*

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*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/>

## A DECISION OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE

Our world is full of noises clamoring for our attention, demanding an immediate response. Our attempts to balance it all leaves us exhausted and overwhelmed. We even use noise cancelling headphones to silence the ambient sounds. It is estimated that we hear around **30,000 words** and see **4,000 to 10,000** advertisements each day. These voices **affect** the **decisions** we make and the **actions** we take. With such a multitude and complexity of voices entering our minds each day, how do we determine which ones to **believe, trust** and **follow**, and which ones to **disregard**? **Discernment** becomes a **vital skill** in the **decision-making process**. The bottom line is that the voices we listen to **form** and **shape** our lives. The voices we allow into **our hearts** become a personal decision left to us, a **decision of utmost importance**.

This weekend, the gospel of John expands on the theme of **discerning** the **voice** that speaks **wisdom, life, love, compassion, beauty, generosity, hope** and **joy** into our hearts. It is the voice of **Jesus**, the **Good Shepherd**. Jesus knows his sheep by **name, leads**, goes ahead of them, and his sheep **follow** because they **recognize his voice** (John 10:3-4). As **gatekeepers** of our own lives, we choose whose voice we will listen to and let enter into our hearts. **Guarding** our hearts means **staying awake**, being **watchful**, and remaining **diligent** to what we open or close our hearts to. Sometimes we need to open the gate and sometimes we need to keep the gate closed. The gates in our life are **threshold places, times of discernment, moments of transition, and decisions to be made**.

Jesus is the **Good Shepherd** who **revives, leads, protects, feeds, waters, and pastures**. But what about you and me? Are we not also called to do those things? *Are we not called to be shepherd? Who are the people we are being called to shepherd, guide, nurture and protect?* When have we been shepherded by another? A shepherd is **anyone** or **anything** that **nourishes, fosters, empowers, guards** and **protects** life. It could be God, Jesus, you and me. **Shepherding** then is most importantly about relationships. It is not about **quantity, wealth, success, approval, popularity, security** or **being number one**. Shepherding is about **meaning, integrity, purpose, creativity, relationship and wholeness**. Shepherding adds to the life of others and the world. *It's a life that leads to life, a love that leads to love, a joy that leads to joy, a hope that leads to hope, a kindness that leads to kindness, a generosity that leads to generosity, a beauty that leads to beauty, and a gratitude that leads to gratitude.* It does not add to the pain of the world, but

adds to and enhances life, our own as well as others.

The gospel of John provides a warning that there are also **thieves** and **marauders in the world** who are seeking to steal our **time, attention**, and even our very **lives**. Thieves are stealthy. We often don't know they've been there until later. They come in the night when we are most vulnerable, **asleep** and **unaware**. **Thieves** are **sneaky** and they often wear the **disguise** of **acceptance, work, money, productivity, knowledge, a relationship**, meeting others' **needs and expectations, saying yes** and **being available**, striving for **quality** in what we do. There's nothing wrong with any of these things until they begin to take over and thief our life. And sometimes they do.

**Marauders** on the other hand are **overpowering**. They come in the **daylight**. They don't even try to hide. We know when they are here and when we are being **robbed** of our time and attention. It's those times when we know our life is less than we want it to be, we recognize the patterns and behaviors that are **destructive**, we know there is a better and different choice to be made, but we continue down the same path. It's **falling down** and not being able to get right back up. It's recognizing our brokenness and not asking for help and support. It's **getting stuck** in our **resentments** and **anger** and being able to forgive. It's feeling the **pain** and not knowing where or to whom to go for treatment. It's knowing what will give life but living in **fear**.

The gospel of John invites us to **open our hearts to the good shepherd**. We must ask him to reveal his **love** and **will** to us. It means telling him about our **hopes** and **dreams** and our **hurts** and **fears**, and it means asking him for **forgiveness, direction** and **wisdom**. When this is at the heart of our prayer, whatever method we choose, *we can be sure that we will come to know Jesus' voice intimately.* Knowing his voice will **heal** and **change** our **hearts**. The Good Shepherd **calls** us in His **voice** and in His **name**. He **seeks, gathers** and **comes** to His people. Through each of us, He invites all to find **peace, purpose, healing** and **joy** in the fullness of His love and on His path. Let us lead by example and minister by love. A true **Shepherd-Leader** **knows, serves** and **sacrifices** for his sheep.

*Good Shepherd, within your embrace we are safe and secure. Within your embrace we know that we are precious in your sight. Within your embrace we feel the warmth of family and belonging. Within your embrace we grow and are nurtured together as one flock, the people of your pasture under your loving care and protection. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

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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.

When this is over,  
may we never again  
take for granted  
A handshake with a stranger  
Full shelves at the store  
Conversations with neighbors  
A crowded theatre  
Friday night out  
The taste of communion  
A routine checkup  
The school rush each morning  
Coffee with a friend  
The stadium roaring  
Each deep breath  
A boring Tuesday  
Life itself.

When this ends,  
may we find  
that we have become  
more like the people  
we wanted to be  
we were called to be  
we hoped to be  
and may we stay  
that way—better  
for each other  
because of the worst.

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LAURA KELLY FANUCCI

## Preparing for Next Week...

Watch our weekly SCC reflection @ <https://www.youtube.com/user/HFInverness/>  
videos. Click on reflections for Sunday Readings for 5-10-20 and listen  
to Deacon Dennis Brown reflect on the readings.

### Fifth Sunday of Easter

1. In Acts, we see that the work of spreading the Gospel did not always go smoothly. Why was it critical for the Apostles to appoint other people to serve the community? Is lay involvement doing the job of growing the faith today?
2. In the second reading, Peter said: "They stumble by disobeying the word, as is their destiny." Why does Peter imply that some of us are destined to disobey the word?
3. As we hear from Peter, do you think that those who profess belief in Christ identify themselves as "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own"?
4. Jesus tells us, "whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these." How does this expectation fit into your life?
5. How do you envision the "place" that has been prepared for you?

### SOCIAL JUSTICE

Jesus tells us "whoever believes in me will do the works that I do." What works of mercy and justice are you called to do?



# Liturgical Arts

## Mass Intentions

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

### **Monday, May 4**

Richard Kale (Pastoral Care)

### **Tuesday, May 5**

Fred Neal (Eileen Neal)

Jerry Seaman (Mike Seaman)

### **Wednesday, May 6**

Therese Witanen (Children)

### **Thursday, May 7**

Holy Family Faith Community

### **Friday, May 8**

James Schiffer Sr. (Marlene Gondek)

### **Saturday, May 9**

Father Pat Brennan (Nwankwo Family)

Zangle Family (Kudrna Family)

Kaja Maciejewski (Ewa Dembowski-Maciejewski)

Audrey Englehardt (Drolet Family)

Violetta Paragas (Paragas Family)

### **Sunday, May 10**

Virginia Swanson (Mary Heigl)

George Wallace Daley (Pastoral Care)

Carl Tappito (Family)

Sandy Dobrzelewski (Patricia Murphy)

Josephine Balik (Barbara Balik Family)

Kelli Rooney (Kathy Wamsley)

Vito Pagone (Family)

Audrey Englehardt (Gary & Diane Dettloff)

Mass intentions are available  
by contacting the Parish Office



## Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

+ Diane Fahey

+ Donna Haran

+ Andrew Marton

+ Brian Stark

*"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...*

Larry & Barb Antos

Chuck, Diane and Jordan Drungelo

Ed & Shirley Mertz

Kathy Richards

Pat Wilkie

Kathy Wilmot

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

Lt. Colonel David J. Benjamin III (*Army*), Capt. Sean P. Benjamin (*Army*)  
Major 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, May 3**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

1 Peter 2:20b-25

John 10:1-10

### **Monday, May 4**

Acts 11:1-18

John 10:11-18

### **Tuesday, May 5**

Acts 11:19-26

John 10:22-30

### **Wednesday, May 6**

Acts 12:24—13:5a

John 12:44-50

### **Thursday, May 7**

Acts 13:13-25

John 13:16-20

### **Friday, May 8**

Acts 13:26-33

John 14:1-6

### **Saturday, May 9**

Acts 13:44-52

John 14:7-14

### **Sunday, May 10**

Acts 6:1-7

1 Peter 2:4-9

John 14:1-12

# 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
Apr 5	0	\$ 30,953
Apr 12	0	\$ 29,966
Apr 19	0	\$ 53,348
Apr 26	0	\$ 20,881

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

## Year to Date Collection Summary

Through April 27, 2020

	Actual	Budget	Delta to Budget
Sunday & Electronic Collections	\$ 1,698,756	\$ 1,658,105	\$ 40,651
Christmas	\$ 204,956	\$ 215,000	\$ (10,044)
Easter	\$ 104,673	\$ 109,000	\$ (4,327)
<b>Major Collections Totals</b>	<b>\$ 2,008,385</b>	<b>\$ 1,982,105</b>	<b>\$ 26,280</b>
<b>Prior Week Totals</b>	<b>\$ 1,964,081</b>	<b>\$ 1,920,253</b>	<b>\$ 43,828</b>

*Note: Parish fiscal year is July 1 to June 30*

**Note: Total Easter Budget is \$125,000**

**Envelope Users:** Please either mail your weekly collection envelopes to Holy Family at 2515 Palatine Road, Inverness, IL 60067, or you can drop in the mail slot by Door 1. [consider making an electronic contribution at holyfamilyparish.org/online-give-options/](https://www.holyfamilyparish.org/online-give-options/)

Dear Holy Family,

We recently received good news for Holy Family. On Friday April 4, 2020 The Archdiocese of Chicago became eligible for the Small Business Administration (SBA) Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). Our staff immediately reviewed and completed the request process. We were approved 2 days later and this week the stimulus funds were received.

This loan will allow Holy Family to continue to meet our payroll and employee benefit obligations for the next 8 weeks. While we are still in very challenging times, this loan will eliminate the need for any staff furloughs during this 8 week period. We are extremely grateful to have these funds made available to us. The loan agreement allows up to 25% of the funds to be used for utilities, mortgages and rents. Our use will be for utilities as needed as we do not have a mortgage. Abiding by the rules of the loan is critical to achieve grant status at the end of the 8 week period.

Please know the staff, with the support of the Parish Finance Council, is working very hard to be as financially diligent as possible. We are continually reviewing every expense and budget items while maintaining our parish services. Your continued financial support is appreciated and necessary to continue our operation.

May God Bless each of us and our families during these difficult days.

Fr. Terry Keehan, Pastor    Rosemary Geisler, Parish Manager  
 Bernie Schaeffer, Operations Director

# Beloved Retreat

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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.



Our next Beloved Retreat will take place at the beautiful University of St. Mary of the Lake campus on the weekend of November 6-8, 2020. This retreat is a lay led, open and accepting weekend of being drenched in God's unconditional love. We will explore our baptism and what it means to be baptized...and we will ponder, "Was I baptized (only in the past) or AM I baptized (currently recognizing my identity as a beloved child of God)?"

All are welcome to this retreat. It is not a silent retreat, and it is not a "couples" retreat, although couples are certainly welcome to attend together. It is for anyone who wants to be spiritually fed.

Registration will begin in July with priority given to those on last year's retreat waiting list. If you would like to have materials sent when registration opens up in July, please contact Mary Whiteside at [mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org](mailto:mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org).

## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Becoming Catholic

While we are still waiting for the celebration of sacraments for our current RCIA group due to COVID-19 delays, it is not too early to welcome new inquirers to our RCIA family. The process is an amazing experience, providing an understanding of what it means to be Catholic, and offering a community that will wrap their arms around you as you journey to full initiation. Some of the topics that will be covered are:

Facts and Myths about Catholicism  
The Ideal Church  
Catholic Social Teaching  
What does it mean to be baptized?  
The Sacraments of Initiation  
The Sacraments of Healing  
The Sacraments of Vocation/Commitment  
Mass 101  
And more...

If you would like to explore completing the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation as an adult, or you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Mary Whiteside at [mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org](mailto:mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org).

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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.

## Helping our Children cope with COVID-19



**Not being able to communicate their feelings many children and teens withdraw.**

the more insistent they are about getting an answer. Underneath this question lies a bigger more important question, *'Am I/we going to be okay?'* What has been threatened by the Coronavirus is our **safety**. The uncertainty that now fills our days makes many feel apprehensive and fearful, which fuels anxiety. The longer this tentative state lasts, the more anxious many of us become.

The honest answer to the first question, *'I don't know,'* does not offer much comfort. We cannot reassure our children when, or even if, life will return to the way it was. We can however, answer the bigger question. *'Whatever happens we will take care of each other, just like we are doing right now.'*

**One of the most reassuring things we can offer ourselves and our children in this crisis is the ability to live in the moment** – what many call mindfulness. Mindfulness has been around

**“Mindfulness is a calm, peaceful state, achieved by focusing your awareness on the present moment and accepting any feelings, thoughts, and sensations.**

**Regular practice enhances your overall health and reduces stress levels significantly.**

**Stress, anxiety, anger and sadness are a perfectly normal reactions when facing** the challenges of a global pandemic. The issue is how to acknowledge those feeling without letting them consume us. For parents, the issue is even more complicated. They not only have to manage their own feelings and reactions they have to help their kids cope.

Children/teens want to know, **'When will the pandemic will be over and life return to normal?'** The younger the child

the more insistent they are about getting an answer. Underneath this question lies a bigger more important question, *'Am I/we going to be okay?'* What has been threatened by the Coronavirus is our **safety**. The uncertainty that now fills our days makes many feel apprehensive and fearful, which fuels anxiety. The longer this tentative state lasts, the more anxious many of us become.



**Stress and anxiety in young people is frequently expressed as anger.**

for thousands of years, because it works. It is not inherently religious, though many spiritual and religious traditions have adopted its use. At the heart of mindful practice are the values of **awareness and acceptance.**

If you are interested in exploring more about Mindfulness and trying some simple mindfulness practices join Dr. Peg Hanrahan on Zoom for a fun interactive

**Parent-Child workshop on Mindfulness  
Wednesday, May 6 from 4-5:15**

Three mindful practices particularly effective with children and teens are breathing techniques, guided meditation and mindful movement. There are countless resources available on line. If you want some simple activities to try, look for the **Mindfulness Handout** on the new Family & Teen Faith Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/familyandteenfaith>



# Human Concerns

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The Human

Concerns

Community...

offers assistance with life's basic needs, spiritual and emotional support as well as additional resources with partners in our community while promoting mercy and justice by putting our faith into action.

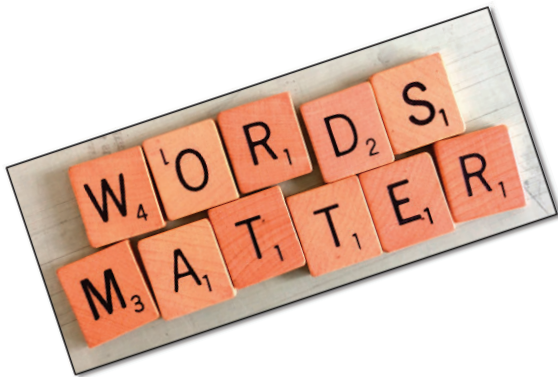
As I submit this article with a 3-week lead time, I assume we are currently sheltering in place or we are slowly returning back to our new-normal lives due to the coronavirus at the time of publishing. As we have and most likely will continue to suffer the effects of the virus that has taken its toll on human life in terms of so many lives lost; livelihoods' either taken away or radically reduced; bills go unpaid as unemployment hits a new high; food pantries struggle to feed increasing numbers of hungry people; we must continue to prayerfully seek guidance and support from Christ as we know He walks with us during these difficult times and does not abandon us. Let us continue to be Christ to one another by abiding by CDC guidelines and looking out for each other in a safe and healthy manner.

A few months ago I received this poem about immigration and how our words matter. Whether it's the immigration issue or simply referring to divisions within our families, politics or country, this poem is very powerful and supports Catholic social teaching principles and God's call for us to love our neighbor.

## HOW WORDS MATTER

Where we stand and who we stand with can change things. Read the following as we normally do from the top down. This may sound like what we hear in the media or from people around us. Allow the words and emotions that arise to be acknowledged.

Then read from the bottom up which is a totally new perspective – from a place of faith and love. Allow the words and emotions that arise to touch your heart and mind.



They have no need of our help  
So do not tell me  
These haggard faces could belong to you or me  
Should life have dealt a different hand  
We need to see them for who they really are  
Chancers and scroungers  
Lazy loungers  
With bombs up their sleeves  
Cut-throats and thieves  
They are not  
Welcome here  
We should make them  
Go back to where they came from  
They cannot  
Share our food  
Share our homes  
Share our country  
Instead let us  
Build a wall to keep them out  
It is not okay to say  
These are people just like us  
A place should only belong to those who are born there  
Do not be so stupid to think that  
The world can be looked at another way