

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS **Week of the Collection**

Aging Religious need your help.

Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others--- educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to today's second collection.

WANT HELP DEALING WITH OUR STRESSFUL WORLD?

Have you ever considered counseling, but you couldn't find the time? Maybe the time is now! The Holbrook Counseling Center, a service of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago, provides confidential counseling at many locations including our office by Holy Name Cathedral. Our counselors are licensed, and we have convenient appointment times including days and evenings. We have affordable fees, and we accept private pay and/or behavioral health insurance. We are in network with BC/BS PPO. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call us at (312) 655-7725.

Celebration of Giving

Catholic Charities 69th annual Celebration of Giving is underway! Our mission is to provide children and families served by Catholic Charities with gifts and necessities during Christmas. Celebration of Giving brings joy to many families who otherwise would not be able to celebrate. Drop-off at various locations from November 28 to December 14. During our 2015 event, Catholic Charities distributed gifts and toys to more than 25,000 children and families. Help Unwrap the Spirit by donating toys, sponsoring a family, or volunteering in "Santa's Workshop." For more information and for drop-off locations, visit www.catholiccharities.net/celebration or contact 312-655-7401 or COG@catholiccharities.net

Holy Family 2016 **Holiday Schedule**

Sunday, December 18th

2:00 p.m. The Cardinal's Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 24th

Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord. Featuring the Historic Rice-Frobenius Organ and Brass

9:30 p.m. Christmas Carols

10:00 p.m. Mass for the Nativity of the Lord

Sunday, December 25th

Christmas Day

9:45 a.m. Christmas Mass

Sunday, January 1st, 2017

New Year's Day-Feast of Mary, Mother of God

9:45 a.m. Mass for the New Year

Sunday, January 8

The Feast of the Epiphany
9:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mass



Catholic Charities Volunteer Opportunities

Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer? Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago is looking for helpful, friendly volunteers to serve as greeters at the hospitality table at 721 N. LaSalle St. in Chicago. Volunteers welcome guests and help with the intake of clothing donations. Volunteers serve a 2 or 3 hour shift on a Monday, Thursday, or Friday of their choice between 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. For more information, email volunteer@catholiccharities.net or call the Volunteer Relations department at (312) 655-7322.

Readings for the **Week of Dec. 11, 2016**

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Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34/Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/Ps 85/Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Ps 30/Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Ps 67/Jn 5:33-36

Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72/Mt 1:1-17

Next Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Observances for the Week of December 11, 2016

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Monday: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Tuesday: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Wednesday: St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Thursday:

Friday: Las Posadas begin

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent

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Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe **Sunday, December 11 to** **Monday, December 12**

All are invited to attend the celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe at the Shrine of Des Plaines.

Renew My Church **Dreaming Big about the** **Archdiocese of Chicago**

Archbishop Cupich invites everyone across the Archdiocese to join together in launching a historic new moment for the Church of Chicago to respond to Christ's call to "Renew My Church."

Dec 11 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Cross Bearer.....Virginia Clayton
Candle Bearers.....Maria Vega
& Kellee Athens
Banner Carrier.....Deborah Gauslin
Responsorial Psalm.....
Lectors.....Sabrina Cajandig
& Raquel Flores
Communion Ministers.....Sr. Sheila
O'Brien, Pervis Balthazar, Sr. Pat Cum-
mings, Bob Johnson, Vernon Lam &
Pearl Luss
Altar Servers..... Javadia Rylon
& Alaric Rylon
Greeters.....Minnie Lee Moore
& Christine Pugh

Dec 11 at 5pm

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Eucharistic Minister.....
Lector.....Amanda Seddon

Dec 18 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Lectors..... Debra Blake
& Odell Gordon
Altar Servers.....Alexandria Wilson
& Amanda Wilson
Greeters.....Minnie Lee Moore
& Christine Pugh

Dec 18 at 5pm

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Eucharistic Minister.....
Lector..... Erin Shields

December Ushers

Eastside.....Bill O'Brien
East Center.....Maria Vega
Westside.....Leslie Archer
West Center.....Michael Bivens



Please Remember in your Prayers:

Brenetta Barrett, Monica Belby,
Sandra Smith Bell,
Mary Ellen Castroverde,
Mary Cleveland, Alicia Kramer,
Lettece Lee, Octavia Miller,
Phillip Miller, Marla Moore,
Felice Morales, Patricia Morris,
Charlene Stacker,
Jim Sweeney, Endy Turner, and
Phillip Young

 *Mass Intentions*

Virginia Hall
Patricia Gabriel
Evelyn Bogus

Looking for service hours, building your resume, meeting new folks, or wanting to make a difference? The Women's Center (pregnancy help center) is looking for new volunteers to join Mondays-Fridays at our N. Cicero Ave. location. **1)** We are looking for **bi-lingual in Spanish volunteers** to help Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays, particularly with translating. **2)** We are looking for self-starters with flexible availability to be **"on-call" Lobby Desk subs on occasional weekdays 1-4pm**. **3)** We are looking for new Lobby Desk volunteers: Wednesdays 9am-12pm and on Thursdays 1-4pm to greet guests and help with projects. **4)** We have a weekday opportunity to prep bottles for our Spare Change Campaigns (great for a small group or service hours!). *For more info, contact Paige at 773.794.8807 or pscarlett@womens-center.org.*

"Oh house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!" As we begin the anticipation of Advent, let us give thanks and walk together in the love of God by participating in a World-Wide Marriage Encounter weekend on December 9-11, 2016, February 17-19, 2017 or April 7-9, 2017, all at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through <http://wwwme-chicagoland.org>.

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,500.00

November 27	-9:45.....	\$1,743.14
	-5:00.....	\$1,024.00
Give Central.....		\$360.00
		Difference - \$372.86
December 4	-9:45.....	\$2,065.58
	-5:00.....	\$310.90
Give Central.....		\$680.00
		Difference - \$443.52

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Offerings	\$55,778.71
*Budget	<u>\$73,500.00</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$17,343.50)

*(\$3,500 a week for 21 weeks.)

Contributions can also be made at givecentral.org Call Sharon in the office with any questions or for help with online donations. You can click on the 'Donate' link on our web page at www.holyfamilychicago.org Thank you for your support.

"If every one of us, every day, does a work of mercy, there will be a revolution in the world!"
- Pope Francis



Calendar

- Dec 18 -Cardinal's Christmas Concert**
2 PM in Church
- Dec 22 - Children's Christmas Party**
4 to 7 PM Damen Hall
- May 7 - First Holy Communion**
9:45 mass

July 16, 2017 - Save the date
160th Anniversary celebration of Holy Family and the Jesuits in Chicago - more information to follow.