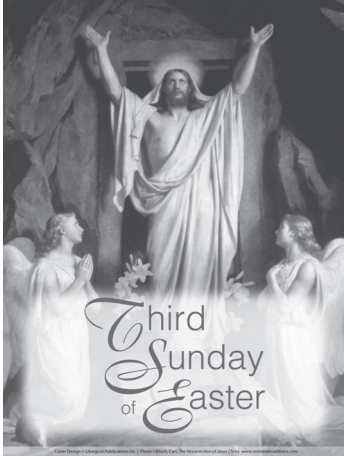


April 10, 2016 • 3rd Sunday of Easter

Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt
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Parish



The lilies are starting to fade and many of the other flowers have died. They lasted, in a fashion, for less than two weeks. And yet the Easter Season is far from over. What shall we do? Please be assured, I'm not blaming the flowers. But those beautiful flowers, so symbolic of the joy and beauty of Easter Sunday, can only do so much. Even without them, we need to continue to celebrate Easter for five more weeks. What shall we do? Just the other day, I had a conversation with someone about how to sustain the joy of Easter. We don't seem to have this issue with either Advent or Lent. Advent is shorter, as is Lent, and with both, we are preparing for an event that fills us with anticipation. Whether it be the promise-filled image

of the woman with child or the discipline of self-denial, celebrating those two seasons all the way through seems easier. Meanwhile, Easter is our longest season. And rather than feeling like a season of preparation, it seems more focused on the past event. The grass and other places where we hid the Easter eggs has been neatly trimmed or cleaned several times, the Easter candy is long gone, and we finally got rid of all those boiled eggs. Then the rituals of Spring come rushing upon us, First Communion, graduation invitations, and wedding invitations arriving in the mail. Final exams are looming over tentative students, and all the anxieties of prom afflict juniors and seniors. What shall we do? In the Easter Message (Urbi et Orbi) from Pope Francis last week, he reminded us that the Lord's Resurrection is the very culmination of the Gospel. "If Christ were not raised, Christianity would lose its very meaning." That makes Easter rather important. But in that same message, the Holy Father does something else that may point us in the right direction. Part of his message is a litany of prayers for the needy and suffering: the hungry, the vulnerable, those exploited and abandoned, the sick and dying, those driven from their homes by violence, etc. These are not a description of the world on that first Easter morning. They are needs that exist all around us today. Pope Francis celebrates Easter by taking up the cause of the needy and the forgotten — those who have not yet experienced in their lives the victory of Christ over sin and death. Maybe that's why we need such a long Easter season. Christ is risen indeed, yet so much of the world is still shrouded in darkness, and his light is not shining there. Even in our own hearts, there are those dark corners that cry out for the light of Christ, that we might find freedom. We celebrate Easter even as we strive to make the victory of love a reality in our own lives and in the lives of our sisters and brothers.

Here are two opportunities to get involved in the coming months:
We are forming a committee for the Parish Picnic: If interested, please signup. The sheet is in the back of the church.
Secondly, we are looking for people who would be willing to serve on the Church's 160th Anniversary Committee. We also welcome your ideas for the celebration which will be next year- 2017.

Fr Mike

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Masses

Sunday..... 9:45 am & 5:00 pm

Confessions

Sunday mornings from 8:45 - 9:15

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.



Wish List Item:

Laptop Computers with WiFi
These laptops will be the owned by the Parish for training usage. These laptops will be very helpful in helping users to safely learn the internet. Additionally they could be used to help the youth for research capabilities.

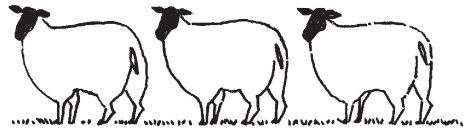
Those that are interested in the **Basic Computer Training** course, please meet today after mass in Damen Hall Computer room.
We will decide the dates and times at that meeting. (this will be a method of ensuing there will be participants)
The Basic Computer Training Classes will consist of:

- Computer operation
- Microsoft Office Suite (MS Word, MS Excel, etc)
- Introduction to World Wide Web (If wireless is available)
- Cell Phone help will be offered

- Odell Gordon



Feed My lambs, tend My sheep.” If you think you may have a vocation to follow the Risen Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, Call Father Francis Bitterman (312) 534-8298, or write: fbitterman@archchicago.org

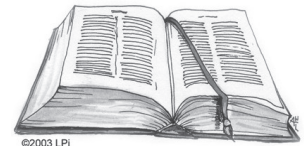


Readings for the Week of April 10, 2016

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51--8:1a/Ps 31:3-4, 6-8, 17, 21/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-7/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1-2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-17/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-3, 5/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

Observances for the Week of April 10, 2016
Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter
Monday: Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr
Tuesday:
Wednesday: Martin I, Pope and Martyr
Thursday:
Friday:
Saturday:
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter

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**ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
PARISHIONER SURVEY**

Archbishop Cupich wants your input.

When Archbishop Cupich announced the “RenewMyChurch” initiative in January, he invited everyone in the Archdiocese of Chicago to participate in the process of revitalizing our parish communities. Just as Pope Francis asked Catholics across the globe for their input prior to the Synod of Bishops meetings in 2014 and 2015, Archbishop Cupich is asking for your help as the Archdiocese begins a new listening phase of this important effort.

Please take time to respond to a survey designed to help Archbishop Cupich and the Archdiocese better understand the perspectives of Catholics across Cook and Lake Counties. The survey is available at:

www.archchicago.org/renew

We encourage you to complete the survey online. Paper copies will be available.



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JUBILEE OF MERCY

REMEMBER

God always remembers to be merciful. It is a promise he makes and a promise he keeps. We may forget, but God does not. We can rely on that. “He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors.” (Luke 1:54)



**ONE WORD
AT A TIME**

Liturgy

April 10 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Cross Bearer.....Virginia Clayton
Candle Bearers.....Maria Vega
& Kellee Athens
Banner Carrier.....Deborah Gausselein
Lectors.....Terry Conway
& Judy Neafsey
Responsorial Psalm...Mary Beth Klarich
Communion Ministers....Sr. Sheila O'Brien,
Pervis Balthazar, Betty Ferguson,
Bob Johnson, Vernon Lam, Pearl Luss
Altar Servers.....Alexandria Wilson
& Amanda Wilson

Greeter.....

April 10 at 5pm

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Eucharistic Minister.....Christina Gilbert
Lector.....

April 17 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Michal Lewon
Lectors.....Erin Shields
& Dawn O'Holleran
Altar Servers.....Javadia Rylon
& Alaric Rylon

Greeter.....

April 17 at 5pm

Presider.....Reverend Lukas Laniauskas
Eucharistic Minister.....Christina Gilbert
Lector.....

April Ushers

Eastside.....Phil Tellazzino
East Center.....Rose Kelly
Westside.....Tom Justic
West Center.....Jim Gausselein

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,300.00

Easter - 9:45.....\$6,666.55
- 5:00.....\$478.75
Give Central.....\$421.00
Difference +\$4,266.30

April 3 - 9:45.....\$1,699.95
- 5:00.....\$886.99
Give Central.....\$1,001.00
Difference +\$287.94

You can contribute by clicking on the 'Donate' link on our web page at www.holyfamilychicago.org

Thank you for your support.

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Jesse Aceves, Kay Ansani, Joseph Assenato, Tracy Beyers, Sandra Smith Bell, Della Buckner, MaryAnn Burke, Wilfred Cashman, Brian Chorta, Mary Cleveland, Ruth Crockett, Mike Crosse, Michelle DeBlasis, Rene DeLeon, Cort Esenther, Donna Felman, Betty Ferguson, Gerald Fitzgerald, Jesse Hernandez, Lillie Gandy, Matthew Greenfield, Andreas Kavouris, John King, Alicia Kramer, Lettece Lee, Rose Lemke, Jim McNally, Philip Mendoza, Nicole Meyer, Phillip Miller, Martha Morales, John Nowicki, Suzan Ochocinski, Christopher Olkiewicz, Fran Panteleo-Gray, Dr. Sam Parker, Jamie Roberson, Monica Roberts, Walter Sierdaski, Christine Stacker, Denise Summers, Lupe Torres, Irma Quintanilla, Michael Vukovich, and Chadwick Walter & Family



Edward Staniszewski

PRAYER LIST - If you would like to have your name removed from the prayer list, please call Sharon in the office.



REFLECT Catholic retreats for singles is for and about adults in their mid-30s to 50s. It's for those who want to know themselves better and discover more about their capacity for life as a single man or woman. It's an experience that calls us to believe in our value to the Lord, and to devote ourselves to caring for and serving others. A two-day weekend retreat through REFLECT is a unique and rare opportunity for mid-life singles to take a step back from everyday life to reflect on where they are at, where they're going, and how they're going to get there. It's a great way to meet new people, share new experiences, and draw closer to the giver of life - Jesus Christ. A REFLECT

weekend gives you a chance to:

- Form new friendships
- Laugh and have fun in a relaxed, non-pressure setting
- Learn that you make a difference in belonging relationships

This is accomplished through sessions presented by other lay single adults in a casual, trust-filled environment designed to help you grow and experience joy and peace. It helps you answer some of the unanswered questions in your life, and take stock of the past while striving towards the future. REFLECT is your chance to reconnect with yourself and God.

Email reflect.retreat@gmail.com with questions

Website:
<https://sites.google.com/site/reflectproduction/>

Annual Prevent Child Abuse Prayer Service Friday, April 15
Please join the Office for Protection of Children and Youth on Friday, April 15, 2016 at 11:30 a.m., for the Annual Prevent Child Abuse Prayer Service at the Healing Garden, which is located at Holy Family Parish, 1080 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago.



Calendar

- April 12 - Domestic Violence Meeting** 6pm in the Parish Center
- April 15 - Prevent Child Abuse Prayer Service** 11:30 am
- April 17 - Women of the Spirit** 11 am Parish Center
- May 6 - Cinco de Mayo/Mother's Day Dance** Details to follow