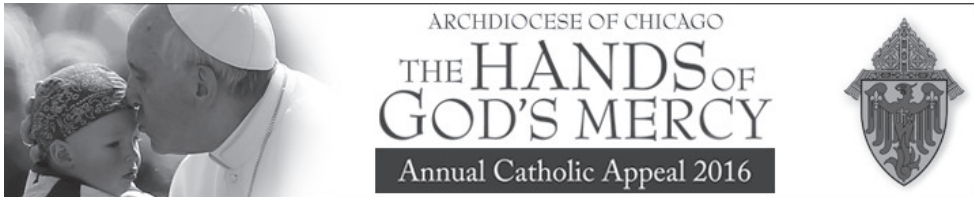


Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Parish



This weekend we are again participating in the Annual Catholic Appeal, (ACA) which raises needed funds for many services and ministries across the Archdiocese of Chicago. Last week, pamphlets were in the bulletin that explain the work and ministries that the ACA makes possible.

Today there will be pledge forms and pencils in the pews at both masses. There will be time at each mass to go through the pledge forms as everyone is asked to complete.

We will be listening to a recorded message from Archbishop Cupich and conduct the in pew pledge.

Where did the month of January go? Feb 10th is Ash Wednesday. We will have an Ash Wednesday Service at Noon and Mass at 7 PM. Parishioners are also invited to the 9:45 Mass for the St. Ignatius community, where limited reserved seating will be available.

We ask for special prayers for all those in the RCIA program who are preparing themselves for entering the Church and receiving the Sacraments.

St. Blaise

On Wednesday, Feb 3 it is the Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. After all the masses we will be blessing throats.

In Mike

SAINTS FUN FACTS by John Sheppard

Raised as a Christian in a rich family, he became a bishop. In a vision, God appeared to him and told him to flee. To avoid persecution, he lived in the hills with sick animals and cared for them.

He was later captured and while imprisoned, cured a boy choking on a fish bone.

He was ordered to be killed for refusing to renounce his faith and love of God.

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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.





Catholic Schools Week!



The Mission and Vision of Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Schools

Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Schools exist primarily to evangelize and to educate students for the Church's mission in the world. The Catholic school educated graduate, a disciple of Christ, is a leader and community builder in church and society. As a life-long learner, the graduate acts with faith, integrity, and competency in the pursuit of truth to contribute to a better world. The graduate lives and works as a responsible global citizen, seeking justice to create unity of all persons with God, each other, and all of creation.

Catholic school principals and teachers as leaders, give witness to Gospel living, spiritual and intellectual development, justice for all persons, and a quest for educational excellence. These educators provide a curriculum that supports, challenges, and prepares students for their future. Catholic school educators continuously deepen their faith-life and strengthen their leadership to build a faith-learning community with a visible Catholic identity.

All Catholic School communities evangelize and educate students and families with the support, guidance, and spiritual leadership of bishops and pastors. In the spirit of inclusiveness, Catholic schools involve parents and other persons as partners to advance the mission of Catholic schools. These partners collaborate and make decisions that actively strengthen the long-term viability of Catholic schools in Lake and Cook Counties.

Archdiocesan schools admit students of

any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students in these schools. Archdiocesan schools do not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, color, or national and ethnic origin in administration of educational policies, loan programs, athletic or other school-administered programs.



"...but the greatest of these is love." Spouses, nurture your spiritual gift by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on February 12-14, 2016 or April 8-10, 2016 or June 10-12, 2016, 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://wwme-chicagoland.org>.

Tips for Parents & Guardians Technology Use

If you think your youngster is "sexting", monitor their cell phone use. Check cell phone **Messages, Recent Calls, and Media Center**. Remember, pictures don't stay private – once sent they can be forwarded to many other people.

Have frequent discussions about the responsibilities and privileges associated with the use of technology. Utilize local and national news stories about Internet and electronic crimes. Google "sexing news" for related articles.

(Teen Lures Prevention)

Office for the Protection of Children & Youth

312/534-5254

www.archchicago.org/departments/protection/protection.shtm

Newly Baptized

Greyson Bell

WELCOME!

A YEAR OF MERCY

Bury THE DEAD

Even in death, Jesus was vulnerable and dependent on the kindness of his disciples. To bury the dead is an act of mercy and respect. [Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus] took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. (John 19:40)



ONE WORD AT A TIME

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Readings for the Week of January 31, 2016

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-6, 15-17/1 Cor 12:31--13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-7/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7-10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10-12/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47, 50-51/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9-14/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-5, 7-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Observances for the Week of January 31, 2016

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:
Tuesday: Presentation of the Lord; Candlemas; Groundhog Day
Wednesday: Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Ansgar, Bishop
Thursday:
Friday: Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
Saturday: Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Liturgy

Jan 31 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Cross Bearer.....Carethra James
Candle Bearers.....Julia Haynes
& Jane Justic
Banner Carrier.....William Breslin
Lectors.....Sabrina Cajandig
& Raquel Flores
Responsorial Psalm...Eleanore Kotleba
Communion Ministers.....Lillie Gandy,
Jacque Hale, Rita Gardner,
Amare Wilson, Sr. Theresa Gleeson,
Joyce Addo
Altar Servers.....Xavier Rios
& Daveion Hightie

Greeter.....

Jan 31 at 5pm

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

Feb 7 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Lectors.....Debra Blake
& Odell Gordon
Altar Servers.....Alexandria Wilson
& Amanda Wilson

Greeter.....

Feb 7 at 5pm

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

January Collection Ministers

Eastside..... Eric Niamba
East Center.....
Westside.....
West Center.....Amare Wilson

February Collection Ministers

Eastside.....Ivory Hill
East Center.....Eric Shepherd
Westside.....Duane Crockett
West Center.....Antwan Wilson

February Entrance Procession

Cross Bearer.....Regina Baiocchi
Candle Bearers.....Jerrilyn Young
& Cynthia Holden
Banner Carrier.....Jesse West
Responsorial Psalm...Dawn O'Holleran

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,300.00

Jan 17	- 9:45.....	\$2,929.26
	- 5:00.....	\$301.00
Give Central.....		\$821.00
Hospitality.....		\$117.70
	Difference +	\$751.26
Jan 24	- 9:45.....	\$1,729.15
	- 5:00.....	\$745.00
Give Central.....		\$531.00
	Difference -	\$294.85

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, Sr. Pat Cummings, SSND, Michelle DeBlasis, Rene DeLeon, Liz Downey, 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, Ivo Marchetti, Nicole Meyer, Phillip Miller, Martha Morales, John Nowicki, Suzan Ochocinski, Christopher Olkiewicz, Dr. Sam Parker, Christine Pugh, Frank Raispis, Jamie Roberson, Monica Roberts, Walter Sierdaski, Christine Stacker, Denise Summers, Lupe Torres, Irma Quintanilla, Michael Vukovich, and Chadwick Walter & Family

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

Footsteps of Mercy

By Kenneth Velasquez

"A father said to his son, 'be careful where you walk.' The son responds: 'you be careful... remember that I follow in your footsteps.'"

As I experience the blessing of being a father to my first child, it is impossible not to go back to my own childhood. Through my son, I can picture myself taking my first steps, experiencing my first fall and many other new experiences. As my son grows rapidly, my wife and I grow with him in our role as parents. He quickly learns new words, new expressions and gestures. He acknowledges our presence and calls for us in the middle of the night when he is afraid. In our role as parents, we become protectors, teachers and role models for our children.

Children process more information and capture more images than we can imagine. That makes me think about the influence of my actions and omissions on my son. Every night, I ask God to guide me in my role as a parent so my child will become a good Christian. Then I reflect on my faith, and how my actions make explicit God's love and mercy to others. In order to make sure our children grow closer to God, we need to be their first evangelizers. To do so, we need to live our faith in Christ intentionally, and we need to see the importance of balance in

our lives, dealing with distractions as we seek to do good deeds, especially deeds of mercy. It is normal to seek professional help if we want to improve or change certain aspects of our lives. However, it doesn't seem that common to seek spiritual assistance in order to help us live like Christ and become more aware of those things God wants us to deal with so that we become part of the change we want to see around us.

As a father, I want to see my son happy and confident in the knowledge that God is all loving and merciful. How is he going to learn, though, if I do not spend time with him teaching him about God through my actions? I hope in this Jubilee of Mercy, we can all experience God's mercy and be witnesses of that mercy for others— especially the little ones.

Mercy Challenge

Plan a visit to a local food pantry with your children and bring some items to those in need. Let the children select the items and give them themselves.

Beautiful Note Cards

We have seven different cards featuring full color pictures of some of our historic stained glass windows. They can be purchased for \$10 a package (containing 7 cards). If you are interested, please see Jim or Father Mike on Sundays or call Sharon in the office during the week.

Holy Family

Presents

A Stepper's Set

Friday, February 12th
6:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Damen Hall
1080 West Roosevelt Road
Chicago, Illinois 60608
Secured Parking Will Be Available

\$10.00 Tickets Sold in Advance
**Must Be 25
B.Y.O.B.**

Wings & Things Included

Drink Setups Will Be Sold

For more information

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708-895-6246

Virginia Clayton
773-533-1420

Jackie Parker
773-559-1127

Calendar

- Feb. 12 - Valentine Stepper Set
- Feb. 27 - Night of Romance for couples married at Holy Family