

April 23, 2017 • 2nd Sunday of Easter

Holy Family

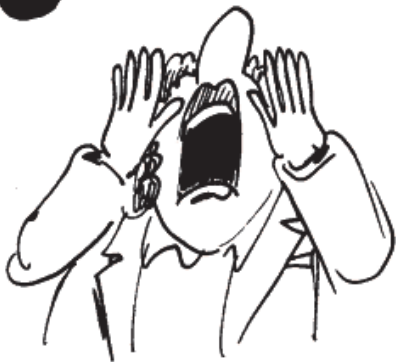
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Parish

Last Saturday evening, a truly glorious event took place around the world and here at Holy Family as well. As the day came to a close and evening fell, and as the sun set, gathered church's we celebrated the Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection, the most solemn celebration of the year. The Easter Vigil always begins after dark, perhaps revisiting the darkness that fell over the earth at 3 pm on that first Good Friday. As the day turned into night, we gathered to rejoice in a Service of Light, a recalling of our faith story from the Scriptures, a rededication of our Baptismal promises, and of course the celebration of Eucharist, which had not taken place anywhere in the world since Thursday night. As sunset continued its nightly journey around the world, so did the celebrations of light and life and victory over death everywhere. As light shown in the darkness, celebrations of hope marched around the world. When we gathered here at Holy Family after the sun had set over our church, we joined Catholics all over the world solemnly celebrating the most glorious event in the history of the world, the Resurrection of our Crucified God. The Risen Christ came and was present in their midst, and so was this same Risen Christ present in our midst. Christ has risen from the dead, he is risen indeed! And His Light shines in the darkness, and gives us hope. We baptized three and welcomed fully into the church three others. Welcome and Congratulations to, Christopher, Amanda, Clayton, Stephen, Ellen and Christopher.

Thank you to all who participated in our Holy Week services.

Volunteers!



We need volunteers for the celebration of our 160th Anniversary.
Meeting : Sunday April 30, 2017 following the 9:45 mass.

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Masses

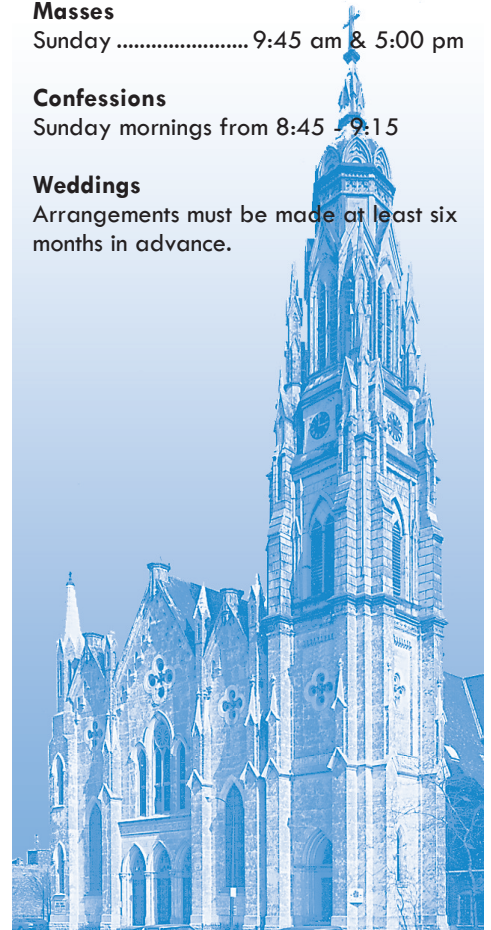
Sunday 9:45 am & 5:00 pm

Confessions

Sunday mornings from 8:45 - 9:15

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.



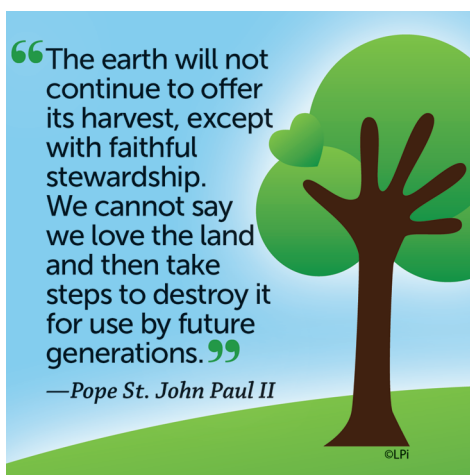
Readings for the Week of
April 23, 2017

**A HEALING AGENT:
THE CHICAGO CATHOLIC
ARCHDIOCESAN COMMISSION ON
MENTAL ILLNESS**

In the Archdiocese of Chicago, a few volunteers started The Archdiocesan Commission on Mental Illness. Over the past 20 plus years, we have tried, in different ways, to increase awareness of the needs of people with mental illness and families, and break through barriers of misunderstanding. Our annual Mass for people with mental illness celebrates their lives and that of their families, friends and professionals who are part of the healing process. We gather for worship and fellowship as an opportunity for getting to know one another as people of God. We also provide workshops and seminars for clergy, chaplains, seminarians, parish ministerial leaders and anyone who will listen! Our motto is: "Where two or three are gathered, we'll come and speak." If one person's mind is changed, or one's commitment increased, we have been successful. We also collaborate with Faith and Fellowship which ministers to people in residential facilities who have mental illness. For some, Faith and Fellowship is their only spiritual support. Occasionally, we offer retreats and days of recollection. Other parts of our network include the St Dymphna Society and St Thomas of Villanova. Information for all these is on our website www.miministry.org which also provides prayers, educational material, and announcements of events. Our commission comprises a dedicated group of volunteers including people with mental illness, family members, clergy and professionals. We have seen what a difference God makes in all of our lives, and what a difference being accepted by a community makes in the healing process. It confirms God is an essential part of who we are and a critical part of our being whole. That message is worth shouting from the rooftops! For more information about our ministry contact Deacon Tom Lambert at 773- 525-0453 x21 or olmcfinfo2@aol.com

O God, you are our creator.
You are limitlessly good and merciful.
To You is due the praise of every creature.
O God, You have given to us an interior law by which we should live.
To do Your will is to perform our task.
To follow Your ways is to find peace of soul.
To You we offer our obedience.
Guide us in all the steps that we undertake on earth.
Free us from evil inclinations which turn our heart from Your will.
Do not permit that in invoking Your Name we should ever justify the human disorders.
O God, you are the One Alone to whom we make our adoration.
Do not permit that we should estrange ourselves from You.
O God, judge of all mankind, help us to belong to Your elect on the last day.
O God, author of justice and peace, grant us true joy and authentic love, as also a lasting fraternity among all peoples.
Fill us with Your gifts for ever. Amen!

--St. John Paul II, August 19, 1985



Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9/Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Observances for the Week of April 23, 2017

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy
Monday: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
Tuesday: St. Mark, Evangelist
Wednesday: Administrative Professionals Day
Thursday:
Friday: St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest; Arbor Day
Saturday: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter; Día del Niño

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April 23 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Cross Bearer.....Virginia Clayton
Candle Bearers.....Maria Vega
& Kellee Athens
Lectors.....Odell Gordon
& Debra Blake
Communion Ministers.....Pat Cummings,
Pervis Balthzar, Betty Ferguson,
Bob Johnson, Vernon Lam, & Pearl Luss
Altar Servers.....Javadia Rylon
& Alaric Rylon
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

April 23 at 5 pm

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Eucharistic Minister.....
Lector.....Alison Conlon

April 30 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Michael Gabriel
Lectors.....Regina Baiocchi
& Erin Shields
Altar Servers.....Xavier Rios
& Daveion Hightie
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

April 30 at 5 pm

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

April Ushers

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

Mercy Home Mentoring Program

A friend can make all the difference...
Be that friend, consider mentoring.

The Friends First Program of Mercy Home for Boys and Girls is a one-on-one mentoring program for youth ages 9-17 in the Chicago area. Our purpose is to engage youth in fun, meaningful activities that promote healthy personal and social development.

To learn more about becoming a mentor, call the Friends First Program at 312-738-9560 or visit www.mercyhome.org/mentor.

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Kay Ansani, Evelyn Battles, Monica Belby, Sandra Smith Bell, Bonnie Cannon, Mary Ellen Castroverde, Mary Cleveland, Michael Crosse, Sarah Jones, Alicia Kramer, Lettece Lee, Octavia Miller, Phillip Miller, Marla Moore, Felice Morales, Patricia Morris, Sister Marion Murphy, Fannie Robinson, Charlene Stacker, Jim Sweeney, Shirley Tremble, and Endy Turner



Evelyn & Edward Bogus

Joseph & Mary Butler Carey

Sister Marion Murphy

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

Question:

On our pulpit there is an eagle, a lion, an angel, and a bull. What do they represent?

Answer:

Each symbol represents a Gospel. These symbols helped people to differentiate the Gospels at a time when most people could not read. The image of a man or angel represents the Gospel of Matthew and signifies Christ's human nature. The lion, a symbol of royalty and power, represents the Gospel of Mark and denotes Christ the King. The ox or calf, the sacrificial victim, represents the Gospel of St. Luke and highlights the priestly character of Christ's mission. The eagle stands for the Gospel of St. John because his theology is much more developed than the three synoptic Gospels. Just as an eagle soars above the earth, so John's theology soars above the other Gospels. The symbols for the Synoptics probably come from how each one begins. One of the initial lines of the Gospel of Mark begins: "A voice of one crying out in the desert." In the wilderness you can hear the roar of the lion for miles around. Matthew's Gospel opens with the genealogy of Jesus, and represents Jesus' human roots. The Gospel of Luke opens with the story of Zechariah the high priest who offered a sacrifice of a bull on behalf of the nation.

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,500.00

April 9 -9:45.....\$1,651.10
-5:00.....\$482.00
Give Central.....\$1,290.00
Difference -\$76.90

April 16 -9:45.....\$4,480.11
-5:00.....\$2,237.50
Give Central.....\$790.00
Difference \$4,007.61

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Offerings \$122,228.12
*Budget \$143,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit) (\$21,271.88)

*((\$3,500 a week for 41 weeks.)

Easter Vigil \$1,418.60
Easter \$335.00
Holy Thursday \$429.04
Good Friday \$173.65

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.



Calendar

April 25 - Confirmation at Notre Dame de Chicago
7 PM Mass

May 7 - First Holy Communion
9:45 mass

July 16th 2017 - Opening Mass marking first mass celebrated

November 11th 2017 - Mass of Remembrance

December 31st 2017 - Feast of the Holy Family

February 24 and 25th - History in the making

April 15th 2018 - Marriages celebrated here at Holy Family

July 15th 2018 - Closing of our 160th Anniversary