

Feb. 4, 2018 • Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Parish

HOLY FAMILY PARISH—RESPONSIVE, YES, ROOTED

Dear Friends,

It almost feels like the calm before the storm. Christmas is a fading memory. We survived some deep freezing weather. We're crawling through the flu season, which we hear is an epidemic.

We are in ordinary time liturgically. Today is Super Bowl Sunday, Lent is almost upon us with its ashes and contrition, and penitence great and small. We continue to mark our 160th Anniversary in many ways, "We're Still Here", Feb 25th, Apollo Orchestra and Chorus, March 10, and Wedding Sunday, April 15th.

As we have been announcing the Catholic Annual Appeal, starts today with Commitment Sunday. Once more we are asked to contribute to the ongoing work of meeting the needs of our sisters and brothers across the diocese.

So it seems like a good time to take a deep breath. For many of you, many other things have been happening, with your families, with work or without work, with health or the lack thereof. Some of you have experienced losses that pain you, with other have perhaps stumbled upon unexpected blessings. Each of us has our own little dramas taking place in our midst. One thing is for sure:

Faith remains, as it has for centuries. Expressed in different ways, lived in diverse situations, God's love endures. Our Faith is our strength.

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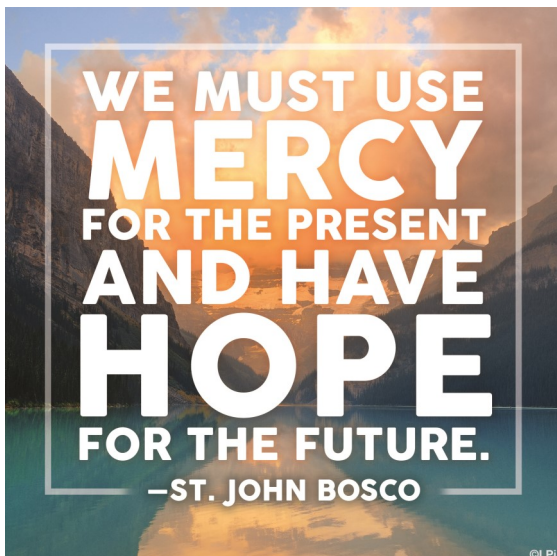
Sunday.....9:45 am & 5:00 pm

Confessions

Sunday mornings from 8:45 - 9:15

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.



Fr Mike



Please Remember in your Prayers:

Kay Ansani, Mary Breslin,
Bonnie Cannon, Mary Cleveland,
Michael Crosse, Madelynn Jacobs,
Lettece Lee, Phillip Miller,
Janet Miskus, Tom O'Malley,
Joel Rivera, Charlene Stacker, Jim
Sweeney, Endy Turner, and
Dorothy Wrobel



Ed and Evelyn Bogus



9:45 AM - Mass and distribution of ashes with St. Ignatius students;
Noon - Prayer Service with distribution of ashes;
6:00 PM - Mass and distribution of ashes at Our Lady of Pompei.
Ashes will be available at Holy Family until 3:00 PM for anyone unable to attend one of the services.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from age 14 onwards.

This year, the largely secular celebration of Valentine's Day (February 14) coincides with Ash Wednesday and some have inquired if a dispensation from the obligations to fast and abstain from meat will be given. In view of the significance of Ash Wednesday the obligation of fast and abstinence must naturally be the priority in the Catholic community. Valentine's Day can appropriately be celebrated the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday which also happens to be Mardi Gras, a traditionally festive time before beginning our Lenten observance.

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,500.00

Jan. 21 -9:45.....\$1443.35
-5:00....\$549.00
Give Central.....\$520.00
(Difference -\$987.65)

Jan. 28 -9:45.....\$1443.36
-5:00....\$1088.21
Give Central.....\$395.00

(Difference -\$573.43)

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Offerings \$86,163.89
*Budget \$105,000.00
Surplus/(Deficit) (-\$18,836.11)

*(\$3,500 a week for 30 weeks.)

If you use an envelope that is not pre printed with your name or #, please be sure to write the information on it so you can receive proper credit.

Contributions can also be made at givecentral.org Call Sharon in the office with any questions or for help with online donations.

You can also click on the 'Donate' link on our web page www.holyfamilychicago.org

Calendar

Feb. 14, 2018
Ash Wednesday

Feb. 18, 2018
12:00

Circle of Peace
Support Group



February 25—3:00 -
We're Still Here

A Talk & Tour of Holy Family by Chicago historian, Ellen Skerrett

April 1, 2018
Easter Sunday

April 15th 2018 -
Celebration for all those married at Holy Family

July 15th 2018 -
Closing of our 160th Anniversary

Feb. 4 at 9:45 am

Presider....Rev. Glen Chun
Candle Bearers.... Jerrilyn Young and Cynthia Holden
Lector.....Erin Shields
Communion Ministers...Vernon Lam, Debbie Gaussein, Dawn O'Holleran, Easter Booker, Sr. Pat Cummings, Joyce Addo
Altar Servers.....Xavier Rios and Daveion Hightee
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

Feb. 4 at 5 pm

Presider.....Rev. James Halstead
Eucharistic Minister.....
Lector..... Alison Conlon

Feb. 11 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
Candle Bearers....Jerrilyn Young and Cynthia Holden
Lector.....Debra Blake
Communion Ministers.....
Vernon Lam, Debbie Gaussein, Dawn O'Holleran, Easter Booker, Sr. Pat Cummings, Joyce Addo
Altar Servers.....Javadia and Alaric Rylon
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

Feb. 11 at 5 pm

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
Eucharistic Minister.....
Lector.....Anne and Steve Hasselbeck

Ushers:

Eastside..... Ivory Hill
East Center.....Tyler Romer
Westside.....Duane Crockett
West Center.....Antwan Wilson

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2018 Annual Catholic Appeal
"Come, Follow Me"

On Sunday, Feb. 4, our parish will be conducting the Annual Catholic Appeal in-pew Commitment Weekend. Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable in installments.

The ACA theme, "**Come, Follow Me**" was selected to remind us to continue to answer Jesus' call to follow Him in thought, word and deed by providing the necessary contribution to fund ministries and services to share God's love with many others in our Parish and our Archdiocese.

Each pledge makes a difference because all Parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of February 4, 2018
Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39
Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 [8a]/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11 [2]/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 [30a]/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 [4a]/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 [11a and 9a]/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22 [4a]/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31--11:1/Mk 1:40-45

WE'RE STILL HERE



A Talk & Tour of Holy Family by Chicago historian, Ellen Skerrett

SUNDAY, FEB, 25
3:00 PM

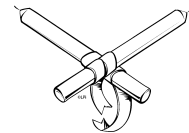
Built with the nickels and dimes of immigrants between 1857 and 1860, the Gothic edifice challenged stereotypes about Catholics and their place in Chicago. Skerrett will pay particular attention to the "bricks and mortar" of Holy Family, sharing little-known stories of its founder, Arnold Damen, S.J. and his vision for the city's first Jesuit parish.

Skerrett's books include Chicago: City of Neighborhoods and the first published history of Loyola University Chicago. She is currently researching the history of St. Ignatius College Prep with archivist Dr. Raymond Heisler.

BLESSING OF THROATS

For centuries, it has been a tradition for Catholics to have their throats blessed on the Feast of St. Blaise, the patron saint against throat ailments. The priest takes two unlit candles and crosses them. He places one on one side of the parishioner's neck and one on the other. And, the priest says this prayer:

Observances for the Week of February 4, 2018
Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Consecrated Life
Monday: St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr
Tuesday: St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
Wednesday:
Thursday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
Friday:
Saturday: St. Scholastica, Virgin
Next Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day of the Sick; World Marriage Day



By the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every malady of the throat, and from every possible mishap; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

The feast of St. Blaise is February 3. Blessing of throats will be after the masses on Sunday, Feb. 4.



We Need You!

Maybe you have never been in a choir before, but you'd like to try it out. Maybe you sang in a choir as a child and would love to sing again, but you don't have time for a significant time commitment. Maybe you would like to sing in the choir, but you are not sure you are good enough, or you are shy. Maybe you would like to contribute in some way to meaningful liturgies at Holy Family, but you don't know how to get involved.

If you are one of these people, the choir is looking for you. The choir is actively recruiting new membership and you may be just the one to answer this call. No prior experience is necessary. Practice is held each week immediately after Mass, for roughly 1 hour.

No one can promise what joining the choir could mean to you. It is up to you to find out. So if you are interested, stop by and talk with the choir director, Clive Phinn, after Mass. The choir might be just what you need. And we need you!