

Jan. 21, 2018 • Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt  
Chicago, Illinois 60608

## Parish

### **HOLY FAMILY PARISH—RESPONSIVE, YES, ROOTED**

Our Gospel today describes Jesus' ministry as healing and preaching. Jesus begins his preaching by calling on the people to repent and embrace the Good News. The first reading relates to how the preaching of Jonah was met with an immediate response by the city of Nineveh. The story shows the possibilities of a city repenting and turning to God. It also shows the mercy and forgiveness of God. Over the last 48 hours, I still find myself shocked, with the hurtful remarks made by our President. Yes, "shocked and shamed". I am sorry but there is no other word for this but racist. Please just don't say, well that Donald. Racism is an evil which endures in our society. Despite apparent advances and even significant changes over the years, racism remains. The moral evil is racism denies the human person the inherent dignity bestowed on everyone by God. To the point of today, a vocal minority choose to wear their racism as some sort of perverted badge of honor, groups like (neo-Nazis, KKK, "alt-right). For some people, "Make America Great Again", really means, "Make America White Again". This attitude, especially where it impacts refugees and immigrants and other people of color, must be named as the evil that it is. See Matt 25:31-46

A couple of updates:

The broken Prodigal Window is schedule for complete removal sometime this coming week. We hope to have a estimate as to how long the window will be out.

Remember to mark your Calendars for Feb 25, for : "We're Still Here!" Join historian Ellen Skerrett at 3 p.m. Sunday February 25 for a talk and tour of Holy Family Church, 1080 W. Roosevelt Road.

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.

*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.



**Jan. 21 at 9:45 am**

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel  
Candle Bearers....Jane Justic  
Lector.....LaShonya and  
Alexandria Wilson  
Communion Ministers.....  
Sister Sheila O'Brien, Pervis Balthzar,  
Eric Niamba, Jacque Hale, Jim  
Bruton, Bob Johnson  
Altar Servers.....Alexandria and  
Amanda Wilson  
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

**Jan. 21 at 5 pm**

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

**Jan. 28 at 9:45 am**

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel  
Candle Bearers....Maria Vega  
Kellee Athens  
Lector.....Sabrina Cajandig  
Communion Ministers.....  
Sister Sheila O'Brien, Pervis Balthzar,  
Eric Niamba, Jacque Hale, Jim  
Bruton, Bob Johnson  
Altar Servers.....Javadia and Alaric  
Rylon  
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

**Jan. 28 at 5 pm**

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

**January Ushers:**

Eastside..... Eric Niamba  
East Center.....Josephine Aguilar  
Westside.....Bob Johnson  
West Center.....AmareYoung

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NEW PARISHIONERS, WEDDINGS,  
AND BAPTISMS

*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, Walter Sieradzki,  
Charlene Stacker, Jim Sweeney,  
Endy Turner, and Dorothy Wrobel



Ed and Evelyn Bogus

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

I use GPS wherever I go and it serves me well most of the time. However, sometimes it leads me to a place that does not exist. Then there are those times when I am about to turn and the man inside my phone shouts out, "GPS signal lost" or "Rerouting!" The problem is when the area is unfamiliar to me, I have no choice but to listen. I could try to get where I am going by simple intuition or pulling over to look at a paper map, but I don't trust my sense of direction and haven't bought a paper map in close to a decade.

Many people move through life without any direction. They find themselves constantly rerouting and wondering when they will ever get to a satisfying final destination. What they need is a compass and a companion for the journey, yet they have no idea how to get either. Prayer can serve as a compass and it connects us to a companion for the journey. Stewardship living is impossible without prayer. If we count on our own will and believe we can become fruitful without daily contact with the divine we can find ourselves looking for directions more than moving toward a destination. God through prayer will help us see all we have as gift. God through prayer will lead us away from materialism and selfishness toward freedom and generosity. Even when we fall to sin, the path back is clearer. God's GPS signal is never really lost.  
-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**Sunday Collection**

Goal: \$3,500.00

Jan. 7	-9:45.....\$1442.00
	-5:00.....\$359.10
Give Central.....	\$1060.00
	(Difference - 638.90)
Jan. 14	-9:45.....\$893.68
	-5:00.....\$1,245.00
Give Central.....	\$795.00
	(Difference -\$566.32)

**FISCAL YEAR TO DATE**

Offerings	\$81,237.32
*Budget	\$97,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$16,262.68)

\*( \$3,500 a week for 28 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  
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## REFLECT WEEKEND RETREAT

### Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s):

Looking to start 2018 off with a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Then register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, Mundelein, IL (in the northern suburbs), on March 2-4, 2018. Take a chance and get involved... this is one New Year's resolution you won't regret! Cost is \$215 for meals and a single room. Call (630) 222-8303, e-mail [reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com), or visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com) for details.



He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. - Mk 1:19-20

## DAY OF PRAYER JANUARY 22

Pope Francis has said that respect for life is not just about the unborn child in the womb, but also about the least of our brothers and sisters. Yes, it is even upon the undocumented resident alien who has no voice but ours. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are all called to protect the voiceless. Let us pray...

Good and gracious God, you blew into our nostrils the breath of life. You are the One to whom we owe our very existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular position of protecting those who have no voice, the unborn child in the womb to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life you have given us is a gift beyond measure. Embolden us to speak the truth about protecting the child, the elderly, and the one without a voice in the public square. Amen



## WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of January 21, 2018

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 [25a]/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 [29a]/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12a]/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9, [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Observances for the Week of January 21, 2018

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Tuesday: St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

Wednesday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Thursday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

## Calendar

**Sunday, January 21 12:00**

Circle of Peace Support Group

**February 24 and 25<sup>th</sup>** - History in the Making

**April 15<sup>th</sup> 2018** -

Celebration for all those married at Holy Family

**July 15<sup>th</sup> 2018** -

Closing of our 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



Please Make Your Gift to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

**"Come, Follow Me"**

During the last few weeks, many parish families received a letter from Cardinal Cupich requesting your participation by making a pledge to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal. We ask that you respond as generously as possible.

The Appeal supports both Parish and Archdiocesan ministries and services. For example, the Appeal funds services that are of great help to all, such as police and fire department chaplains, and emergency response to natural disasters.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is "Come, Follow Me." We have all received God's love. By financially supporting the ministries and services funded by the ACA, we help to extend God's love to many, many others.

As you review the mailing from Cardinal Cupich, please note the ministries and services funded by the Appeal, including the ones that directly support the work of our parish. Then please give generously. Note, when our parish reaches its goal of **\$9,408.00** in paid pledges, 100% of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our Parish.