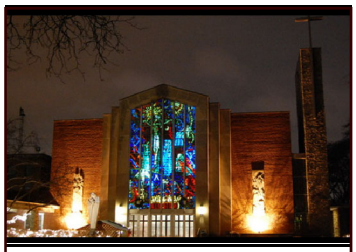

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Pastor: Rev. Richard Simon

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Baptisms: Third Sundays of the month at 1:30 pm. Baptismal Prep Class is the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the rectory. For guidelines and to register, email Debbie.

Weddings: Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance.

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St. Lambert Parish

Proclaiming Jesus Christ as Lord

October 22, 2017

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

MASS FOR HOPE & HEALING

October 28, 2017 – 11 a.m.
Holy Family Church | 1080 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, IL

Masses for the Week

Saturday, October 21
5:00 † Prudencio Abad

Sunday, October 22
8:00 People of St Lambert
10:00 † Theresa Kim
12:00 † Hector M. David

Monday, October 23
7:15 † Rocco Gillio

Tuesday, October 25
7:15 Michael Holden health & well being

Wednesday, October 25
7:15 † Christine Moczynski

Thursday, October 26
7:15 † Marion Cascino

Friday, October 27
7:15 † Anna Pietruszka

Saturday, October 28
8:00 Jolanda Lomeli
5:00 † Leeson & Cederborg Families

Sunday, October 29
8:00 † Ursala Blix
10:00 Mark & Linda Lohjo, Jose & Meriel Verlatin
12:00 People of St Lambert

The Coffee Hour will be hosted by our Youth Church families and volunteers. The contact is Gina Roxas at 312-560-6799 .

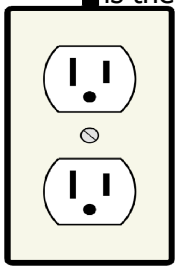
Your donations are always appreciated!

October 22, 2017
"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God."
— Matthew 22:21

POWER STRUGGLE

Power struggles occur on every level of society, from the world stage to relationships at work, to our own homes. We struggle for position in the hierarchy of power: Who has power over whom? How do they wield it? What is the source of that power? What is the healthy response?

In this Sunday's Gospel reading the Pharisees engage Jesus in a power struggle over whether Jews should show tribute to Caesar by paying taxes. Jesus' response puts this and every struggle for power into perspective. In harmony with the words of Isaiah and Paul, Jesus teaches us that God is the ultimate source of all power—the power of earthly rulers, the Pharisees, Jesus, the Church, and the power within ourselves.



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After mass next weekend, we will be collecting near the church exits. Any donation is greatly appreciated. A $10 donation will get you a box of 50 tootsie rolls - ideal for Halloween trick-or-treaters, a $5 dollar donation will get you 2 containers of mini-tootsie rolls - when empty, useful as banks for coins.

Thank you,
Paul O'Malley, Recorder, K.C. Council 3243

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of Human Dignity & Solidarity-Immigration Ministry

"Everyone can help bring about a culture of mercy, based on the rediscovery of encounter with others, a culture in which no one looks at another with indifference or turns away from the suffering of our brothers and sisters." -Pope Francis

The Dream Act of 2017, S. 1615, was recently introduced in the Senate. If passed into law, this bipartisan bill would protect immigrant youth. This includes the 780,000 young people who received temporary relief and employment eligibility through the recently rescinded DACA program.

ACTION: The Catholic Church believes in protecting the dignity of every human person and has long supported DREAMERS. Ask your legislators to co-sponsor the Dream Act of 2017, by visiting the USCCB website www.JusticeforImmigrants.org.

For additional ways to advocate for immigrants and refugees visit:
www.CatholicsAndImmigrants.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday:	Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday:	Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday:	Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday:	Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Sunday:	Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

Come Join Us for our Autumn Seminar

"Caring by Preparing"

This presentation will change the way you view and plan for the future.

We'll cover such topics as:

*Wills & Trusts * Funeral Options * Medicaid Coverage for Nursing Home Care * Final Expenses *
Preplanning * and Much More!*

Featured Speakers:
Mr. Richard Witry, Attorney
Mr. John Haben, LFD & Owner
Haben Funeral Home
Mr. Richard Kehoe
Family Service Counselor,
Haben Funeral Home

Monday, November 6

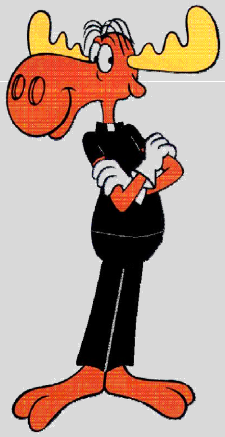
1:00pm & 7:00pm

Roberts Hall
(Enter from parking lot)

For planning purposes, please RSVP by calling **847.673.6111**. Light refreshments and take home materials will be available.

The Reverend Know-it-all

"What I don't know…
I can always make up!"



Continued from last week…

Let's take a slight detour from the Jericho road as we go up to Jerusalem. I do mean up. Jerusalem is about 15 miles from Jericho and is about 2,500 feet above sea level. Jericho is 853 feet below sea level. This means that you climb about half a mile going to Jerusalem. It is most certainly "up." As the psalm says, "we shall go up with joy to the house of the Lord." The road is pretty steep. We are going to go to Bethlehem first. Bethlehem is about 6 miles south of Jerusalem and was just a sleepy little town until the time of the byzantine Christians in the centuries after the birth of Jesus. It was the ancestral home town of the old royal family of David and not much else till the time of Christ. It is at least 3,500 years old and probably started out as Beth Lachmi (House of the Canaanite fertility god Lachmi, but in Hebrew it became Beth Lehem or "House of Bread." Much better symbolism as far as Christians are concerned. Bethlehem is in the same range of hills as Jerusalem and being a rocky place it is full of caves.

Caves make great basements. It is common in many places as in the Holy Land to build a house above or around a cave. The cave can be used to house animals, for storage and for living quarters. Early traditions tell of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem. St. Justin Martyr, a native of the Holy Land, said around 150 AD that the Holy Family stayed in a cave on the edge of town. Origen, who also lived in the Holy Land, wrote in 247, that the locals claimed Jesus was born in a certain cave in the town of Bethlehem. The emperor Hadrian tried to obliterate the site in 135 by converting it into a shrine tor Adonis, the Greek god of beauty and desire. The first church on this site was built by St. Helena, the mother of the Roman emperor Constantine 327. This first church was destroyed in the mid 500's in one of the Samaritan revolts. The church was rebuilt in 565 by the Roman/Byzantine Emperor and this is the church we see in modern times. It is one of the oldest churches in the world still in use and is pretty good archaeology. There is a warren of caves under the church that lead to the Roman Catholic church next door, for the life of me I can't figure out what the place looked like in the time of Christ, and I don't think anyone else can either. Now on to Jerusalem.

Try to picture Jerusalem before any people lived there. There are two ridges with sharp valleys dividing them. On the far west is the valley of Ben Hinnom, now called Gehenna. Then there is the central valley, the Tyropoeon or cheesemakers' valley, and on the east dividing Jerusalem for the Mount of Olives is the valley of the Kidron Brook. The two ridges, western Mount Sion and the City of David and the eastern ridge are the site of ancient Jerusalem. The City of David was the first area fortified. The valleys were extremely steep and the ridges were thus very defensible, being vulnerable only on the north side. In addition, the eastern ridge has a fairly high hill topped by a flat rocky outcropping called Mount Moriah.

Tradition holds that this rocky promontory just north of the ancient town was the place where Abraham came to sacrifice his son Isaac to the Lord. The eastern ridge has the added advantage of a natural spring half way down the ridge called the spring of Gihon which made a great place for settlement. The ridge formed a kind of natural triangular fort with steep hills on either side. All you had to do was fortify the northern edge of the triangle. The area was settled as early as 7,000 years ago and the southeastern ridge, the City of David, the oldest part of modern Jerusalem was inhabited by 3,000 BC. It wasn't much of a city, maybe 5,000 or 10,000 people at most, but it was very well fortified. You have to imagine the valleys on either side of the town as much steeper than they are now. 9,000 years of people throwing out garbage will certainly fill up a ravine eventually. They are pretty steep now.

Imagine what they must have been. In 1200 BC, the

little city state was an Egyptian vassal kingdom, guarded by a small Egyptian garrison. When Israel entered the land, Jerusalem was one the many Canaanite cities that they failed to conquer. So when David came to the throne about a thousand years after Abraham had first settled in the area and perhaps 400 years after the Exodus from Egypt, Jerusalem was still a tiny city state inhabited by a Canaanite people called the Jebusites. It was just a little town on a steep ridge with a threshing floor on the outcropping of rock on top of Mount Moriah just to the north of the town. This little mud hut town and its threshing floor were about to change history when David set his sights on it about 3,000 years ago..

To be continued...

Today is World Mission Sunday, a day that leads us to the heart of our Christian faith! Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious, and lay leaders in the mission dioceses who accompany those most in need. Let this celebration of World Mission also be a day to honor the many ways we commit to missionary discipleship. As Psalm 104 says: “Send forth your spirit and renew the face of the earth!”

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Daughters of Charity invite you to…

December 10-14, 2017

Meet with a Sister on your time through Skype or by phone to reflect on Advent and ask questions about religious life. Walk through tools and materials and pray with your retreat director.

Contact: Sister Virginia Ann Brooks, D.C.
sistervirginiaann.brooks@doc.org
812.963.7559
Register:called2.be/AdventR17

For single Catholic women ages 18-40

Alvernia Alumnae Association Memorial Mass and Fall Gathering

Date: Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017

Time: 3:00 p.m. Mass

at Our Lady, Mother of the Church
8701 West Lawrence Ave,
Chicago, IL 60656

For more information on please contact our Publicity Director, Eileen Lowery '71 at 773-882-1637 or alverniainfo@gmail.com

Join us for SJA Lil' Saints!

What? A FREE playgroup for babies through preschool-aged children with their parent or caregiver. Casual play, crafts, and a snack each week.

Where? The St. Joan of Arc School Cafetorium.
9245 N. Lawndale Ave, Evanston, IL 60203.

When? Wednesdays at 9:30-11am, thru December 20th*

Questions? Please contact Meredith Bivens with questions 773-294-7505 (***No meeting on November 22nd***)

Winning raffle booklet numbers are put back in the hopper. Giving you more opportunities to win throughout the year!
PRIZES: $50 Monday-Saturday
$100 Weekly Sunday (except 1st Sunday)
$500 Every 1st Sunday of the Month

Date	Amount	Book #	Name
Sunday, Oct 15, 2017	**$ 100.00**	3299	Moscinski, Mary
Monday, Oct 16, 2017	$ 50.00	3301	Callan, Emily
Tuesday, Oct 17, 2017	$ 50.00	1579	Haber, Randall S.
Wednesday, Oct 18, 2017	$ 50.00	5274	Folkers, Ester
Thursday, Oct 19, 2017	$ 50.00	2165	Bolusan, Rene
Friday, Oct 20, 2017	$ 50.00	2779	Ang, Linda
Saturday, Oct 21, 2017	$ 50.00	5055	Minaya, Maria

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

What makes the Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children different from the others? First, there is the intended assembly, which is described as comprised of mostly children of school age. There are three Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children available to us now in the missal. The first one has a very simple form, easily grasped by even a young child. The second has a great deal of participation by the assembly—repeated sung acclamations. The third has a number of variations that can be tricky for a priest to handle if he hasn't prepared carefully.

All of this work does point to a true treasure of our tradition: children are part of the Sunday assembly, precisely because they are baptized members of Christ's body. By contrast, the churches of the Reformation tend to look upon children as members in training, and see worship as an adult activity. Sunday school happens downstairs while the adults celebrate Holy Communion upstairs. In a phrase, that's not Catholic. Children belong to Christ and to the assembly. So, the desire to care for the children in the assembly, to draw them into the prayer, and to adapt our rituals and texts to their needs is deeply Catholic, a true pastoral effort to help draw everyone into the praise of God. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.