

January 9 • Baptism of the Lord

# Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt  
Chicago, Illinois 60608

# Parish

## A Word from Father Jerry

Dear Parishioners,

Today's feast of the Baptism of the Lord, brings to a close the Christmas Season. As Jesus begins his public ministry, we are reminded of how important it is for us to live out our baptismal promises.

Many weekends throughout the year, infants are baptized here at Holy Family. This weekend is no exception. Chicago historians tell me that more babies have been baptized in our font than any other in the Archdiocese because of the age of the parish and that at one time we were the largest English speaking parish in the United States. I thank Deacon Rudy who devotes much of his ministry to the preparation of parents for the celebration of the sacrament for their child.

I continue to hear many reflections on how significant the celebration of the Christmas season has been. I have received several notes and phone calls from people who were grateful to be here. The coverage of the 20th Anniversary of the saving of Holy Family generated a lot of good will for the parish and the special place we have in the hearts of many Chicagoans.

Once again, I am grateful to everyone who made the celebrations so beautiful. Unfortunately, the decorations will be coming down this week as we prepare for Ordinary Time.

Have a Blessed Week!



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### Parish Staff

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Sr. Eileen Tierney, CND

Deacon ..... Rudolf Kotleba

Director of Gospel Choirs ..Sam Parker

P.C. President..... Odell Gordon

Admin. Asst.....Sharon Van Den Hende

### Masses

Monday-Friday..... 7:30 am  
(St. Ignatius Chapel)

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

### Confessions

Sunday mornings from  
8:45 - 9:15

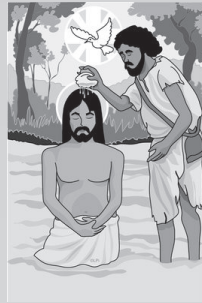
### Weddings

Arrangements must be  
made at least six  
months in advance.



## Focus on the Word

The Sunday readings are placed in this bulletin for the benefit of those who might have a hearing impairment, and for your reflection before Mass and during the week. Since an important part of our Sunday worship is hearing the scripture proclaimed, we urge you to LISTEN to the readings as they are proclaimed. Thank you.



### Reading 1

*Is 42:1-4, 6-7*

Thus says the LORD:

Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. a bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching.

I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.

The Word of the Lord

### Responsorial Psalm

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

### Reading 2

*Acts 10:34-38*

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

The Word of the Lord

### Gospel

*Mt 3:13-17*

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?" Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed him. After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord

## The Baptism of the Lord

A lot of times, as people grow up, they have a role that they play as part of their life. It's easy to recall some of the names that were used to describe certain folks in school: the class clown, the teacher's pet, the good girl, the "bad" girl, the bully, the class nerd, etc. For good or ill, each of these persons was thought of as just a little bit out of the norm, and so the rest of the class gave them an identity (or maybe they took it on themselves). When you go to a class reunion ten or twenty-five years later, the temptation is to view that person in the same light, even though they may have turned out very different. That happened recently, in which a person who was not exactly a stellar student ended up becoming a very successful businessman and has now retired fully ten years before anyone else in the class is even approaching standard retirement age.

In the Gospel today, Jesus is revealed with an identity. He is the beloved Son, with whom the Father is well pleased. As Son of the Father he will redeem the world and reconcile humankind to its Creator, putting an end to the ancient enemy, death, through his own dying and rising. That message of salvation and the telling of the story of Jesus' life, miracles, teachings, and saving acts is recounted not just by Matthew, who wrote down today's Gospel, but by Christians throughout the ages in their preaching and their lives.

In promoting vocations this Sunday, the church invites us to be aware that the work of spreading the good news continues to this day. Jesus went from his baptism in the Jordan to call his disciples to follow him and to spread his message. That call continues in our day, for some as priests, deacons, or religious, and for the rest as people who share the story of Christ's love.

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**Liturgy**

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

Presider ..... Reverend George Lane  
Cross Bearer.....Caretha Carroll  
Candle Bearers.....Julia Haynes  
& Vincent Giampa  
Banner Carrier.....Tom McElligott  
Lectors.....Judy Neafsey  
& Terry Conway  
Responsorial Psalm.....Marilyn Reidy  
Communion Ministers.....Virginia  
McElligott, Antonio Canino, Josephine  
Ramirez, Pearl Luss, Dawn O'Holleran  
Altar Servers.....Amber Wilson  
& Amare Wilson

**Next Sunday, Jan. 16 at 9:45am**

Lectors.....Christine Aquino  
& Matt Aquino  
Altar Servers.....Stephanie Okiro  
& Amare Wilson

**January Greeters**

Matthew May and Ruthie Jones Clay

**January Collection Ministers**

Eastside.....Miguel Rios  
East Center.....Tom McElligott  
Westside.....Richard Gardner  
West Center.....Gregory Wolf

*Mass Intentions*

Olga Genovaldi  
Connie Senato (Assenato)

*Please Remember in your Prayers:*

Kerry Crowe, Denny Flerlage, Fr. Jim  
Hasse, Jesse Hernandez, James Patrick  
Higgins, Lucas & Keira Hilker, Mildred  
Jackson, Lettece Lee, Philip Mendoza,  
Phillip Miller, Valerie Parks, Bob Rice,  
Carol Roman, Patti Tierney, Lupe  
Torres, Jerry Walton, Christine  
Watson, Sr. Caritas Wehrman, SSND,  
and Thomas Williams

**Sunday Collection**

Goal: \$3,000.00

December 26.....\$2,684.77  
Difference: -\$315.23  
January 2.....\$4,335.77  
Difference: +\$1,335.77  
Solemnity of Mary.....\$438.50

Next week's second collection will be  
for hospitality.

**\*\*ENVELOPES\*\***

Please see Sr. Marion **BEFORE** the  
9:45 am or 5 pm Mass to pick up your  
envelopes for next year.

Your donations can not be tracked and  
counted for your tax credit if you do  
not use envelopes.

Also to assure proper credit, please  
write your name and address on the  
front of your envelope.

We welcome all those who have come  
to worship at Holy Family Parish,  
especially any newcomers or visitors.  
We invite you to join us for coffee  
and... in the hospitality room after  
mass. We encourage you to take a  
few minutes to sign our visitors' book  
which is on the counter in the back of  
church.

**2010 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

"...they left everything and followed  
Him." (Luke 5:11)

The 2010 Annual Catholic Appeal is  
coming to a close. Please complete  
your pledge payments as soon as  
possible. Here are totals as of the end  
of December:

2010 Goal - \$9,638.46  
Amount Pledged - \$10,285.00  
Amount Paid - \$7,689.00  
Balance Due - \$2,596.00

Every dollar received over our 2010  
Goal will stay in the parish.

On behalf of Cardinal George, our  
administrator, Father Jerry, our parish  
Appeal Committee and parish staff,  
thank you for supporting your  
neighbors in Cook and Lake Counties,  
as well as around the world. Every  
gift is important and appreciated.

Anyone wishing to express  
condolences to Mary Cleveland may  
do so through the parish office. Cards,  
letters, etc., can be  
mailed to:

*Holy Family Parish*  
Attn: Mary Cleveland  
1080 W. Roosevelt  
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**PLEASE TAKE ACTION TO HELP  
FIGHT HUNGER**

Non-perishable donations for our food  
pantry can be brought to church and  
placed in the back southwest corner.  
Or, you may wish to place a monetary  
donation in the collection basket in an  
envelope clearly marked "Food Pantry  
Donation".

**PARISH DIRECTORIES**

We still have extra directories  
available for \$5. If you would like to  
purchase one, or have not yet picked  
up your complimentary copy, please  
call the parish office

**VIRTUS TRAINING**

In order to be compliant with  
Archdiocesan requirements for  
volunteers, there will be another virtus  
training session here at Holy Family on  
Sunday, January 16, after the 9:45  
mass. Please sign up online at the  
Protecting God's Children page on the  
Archdiocesan web site - or call Sharon  
in the parish office, or see Kathy  
Walton for assistance.

Saturday, January 15, 5 p.m.  
**ARCHDIOCESAN MASS FOR LIFE**

Cardinal George will be the main  
celebrant during the annual  
Archdiocesan Mass for Life at St.  
Albert the Great Parish, 5555 West  
State Road in Burbank. A reception  
will follow.  
CONTACT: Margie Manczko Breen,  
Respect Life Office, 312-534-5335.

**Basic Computer  
training classes** will

resume today, after  
the 9:45 mass. At this  
time we are in need  
of an assistant  
trainer who will be  
needed for one hour

after mass to help facilitate training.  
The volunteer should have some prior  
training experience and be able to  
help with training and assisting the  
students.

**Calendar**

- Today - Basic Computer Training Classes  
resume after the 9:45 mass
- Jan. 16 - Virtus training after 9:45 mass  
Greeters meeting after 9:45  
mass
- Feb. 11 - Valentine Stepper Set

