

March 6 • Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Parish

A Word from Father Jerry

Dear Parishioners,

In many places this weekend is marked by Mardi Gras celebrations. We have many parishioners who trace their roots to Louisiana, the epicenter of Mardi Gras festivities in the United States. The celebrations mark the final days before the season of Lent begins this Wednesday. Our Pancake Breakfast after Mass this morning will have a festive spirit about it.



This Wednesday begins Lent. We will have Mass on Ash Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Ashes will be distributed at the liturgy. Attendance at this liturgy can be a great way to start this holy season. Through the generosity of Jim and Nancy Decorrevont, we will have special prayer books with daily meditations on the scriptures for each day of the Lenten Season.

Next week's bulletin will have many suggestions on how to keep holy the Lenten season. Let us pray for one another!

After Mass this morning will be the last event marking Black History Month. There will be a discussion on some of the themes and reflections on the documentary, "The Promised Land". I am grateful to the Liturgy Committee that worked hard to provide this important conversation.

Yesterday's Mass marking Bishop Manz's anniversary as a Bishop and Priest was beautiful. It was wonderful to have Cardinal George here and so many people from the parishes of Vicariate Three. Holy Family is a place where many feel welcome. I am grateful to all of you for the spirit of hospitality that you generously share.

Thanks for your support of the Catholic Appeal. Today concludes the parish outreach for pledges. If we are able to exceed our goal, additional money pledged will stay in the parish!

Last week I attended a meeting on the Healing Garden. The last phase of the electric work is nearing completion. The ordering of landscaping plants and trees is underway. The hope is that the Garden will be open in

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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

Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32

Moses told the people, "Take these words of mine into your heart and soul. Bind them at your wrist as a sign, and let them be a pendant on your forehead.

"I set before you here, this day, a blessing and a curse: a blessing for obeying the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin on you today; a curse if you do not obey the commandments of the LORD, your God, but turn aside from the way I ordain for you today, to follow other gods, whom you have not known."

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, be my rock of safety.

Reading 2

Rom 3:21-25, 28

Brothers and sisters,

Now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, though testified to by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction; all have sinned and are deprived of the glory of God. They are justified freely by his grace through the redemption in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth as an expiation, through faith, by his blood. For we consider that a person is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel

Mt 7:21-27

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name? Did we not drive out demons in your name? Did we not do mighty deeds in your name?' Then I will declare to them solemnly, 'I never knew you. Depart from me, you evildoers.'

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock. And everyone who listens to these words of mine but does not act on them will be like a fool who built his house on sand. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. And it collapsed and was completely ruined."

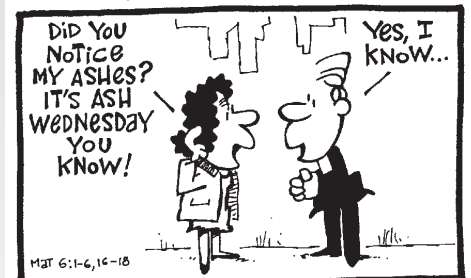
The Gospel of the Lord

late spring. At that point there will be a number of events surrounding the dedication of the Garden by Cardinal George.

The Steering Committee for the formation of the Parish Council will meet next Sunday. We are getting very close to establishing a new structure based on several months of study and reflection. Sr. Mary Therese Freymann has been terrific in guiding us.

Have Blessed week!

ASH WEDNESDAY



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.

Liturgy

March 6, at 9:45 am

Presider Reverend Jeremiah Boland
Cross Bearer.....Tony Karp
Candle Bearers.....Betty Ferguson
& Marlyn Fonseca
Banner Carrier.....Josephine Ramirez
Lectors.....Sr. Marion Murphy
& Sandra Broussard
Responsorial Psalm.....Felicia Luss
Communion Ministers.....Jerry Hossli,
Diane Allen, Rita Gardner, Debra
Higens, Betty Ferguson, Donna Raclaw,
Sr. Mary Therese Freymann
Altar Servers..... Amber Wilson
& Amare Wilson
Greeters.....Sal Giampa & Ellen Duff

Next Sunday, March 13 at 9:45am

Lectors..... Francine Godwin
& Jim Sweeney
Altar Servers..... Stephanie Okiro
& Amare Wilson
Greeters..Sal Giampa & Cheryl Bowie

March Collection Ministers

Eastside.....Eric Fonseca
East Center.....Cheryl Bowie
Westside.....Ron Miller
West Center.....Willie Wilson

Mass Intentions

Antoinetta O'Malley

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Kerry Crowe, Denny Flerlage, Fr. Jim Hasse, Jesse Hernandez, Lucas & Keira Hilker, Philip Mendoza, Phillip Miller, Minnie Lee Moore, Christopher Olkiewicz, Betty Parker, 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

February 20.....\$2,496.87
Difference: - \$503.13
February 27.....\$2,877.20
Difference: - \$122.80

You can now DONATE ONLINE :

Please go to GiveCentral.com and follow the instructions. Call Sharon at the parish if you need assistance.

We recently took up a second collection for our neighbors at First Baptist Congregational Church. In case you didn't know, they are a designated national historic landmark, almost as old as we are. They also survived the great Chicago fire. However, they suffered devastating structural damage during the recent blizzard. We were able to send them a check for \$426.63, which, as expressed in the following letter, was greatly appreciated.

Dear Reverend Boland:

I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

It is our distinct privilege to offer our sincere thanks to you for your kindness and graciousness in our time of need. The scripture states in Psalms 46: 1 that "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in our time of trouble n. Thursday, February 3, 2011 will always be a vital part of our church history as we remember the devastation caused to our historic landmark church building by the Blizzard of 2011.

What a great joy and consolation to have fellow Pastors and sister churches to share in our repair effort. The Lord has ways of blessing us in an unexpected manner. You have shared in extending a much-needed financial gift to us out of the kindness of your heart. We sincerely appreciate you thinking of our church body. Our prayer is that God will continue to bless you and keep you, make His face to shine upon you and give you peace.

Please know that the Ministers, Officers and entire congregation of the First Baptist Congregational Church join me in expressing our deepest gratitude for your prayers, financial contribution and coming to our aid in such a time as this.

May God Bless and Keep You Always,
In His Service,

Reverend George W. Daniels
Senior Pastor

The Knights of St. Peter Claver urge you to join us this morning after the 9:45 Mass as they prepare and serve their

WORLD FAMOUS PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

including Coffee and Juice

All for only \$5.00

Please join us for Fun and Fellowship in Damen Hall after Mass. We will be serving until about 1:30pm

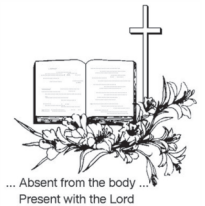


DON'T FORGET!

Next Sunday, March 13.
Spring ahead!

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

Holy Family Parish
Attn: Debra Higens
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Present with the Lord

Five minutes could mean
\$50
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If you know of any businesses that might be interested in advertising in our bulletin, please let Sharon in the parish office know. The LPI representative will be in the office the week of March 7 working to recruit business ads for the bulletin. It is important to mention that you saw the bulletin ad when you patronize the advertisers. We are very grateful for their support. Without them, this bulletin would not be possible.

Calendar

- Today - \$5 "All You Can Eat" pancake Day
"Promised Land" discussion
- March 9 - Ash Wednesday 7 pm Mass and ashes
- March 13- Parish Council Steering Committee Meeting
- May 6 - Cinco de Mayo/Mother's Day dance