

September 4 • Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Family

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Parish

A Word from Father Jerry

Dear Parishioners,

The Labor Day Weekend is filled with BBQ's, backyard games and family gatherings. It is also a weekend when we take stock of the important role work has in our lives. We are all conscious of this because so many people are out of work.



The Church has played an important role in supporting efforts to improve working conditions and to advocate for a living wage and benefits for all workers. Despite all the progress, many people have no health care and are underemployed. Many families struggle to make ends meet with little resources, given the long hours of hard work and low pay.

This weekend, we join many communities of faith in participating in the Labor in the Pulpit program. We are delighted to have Dr. John Thomas, of the faculty at Chicago Theological Seminary and former president of the United Church of Christ. He has a strong concern of labor issues. Welcome John!

Today at the 9:45 a.m. Mass we honor St. Peter Claver whose feast day approaches. His relics will be venerated after Mass and will be available for prayer throughout the week.

His feast causes me to reflect on the awesome presence of the Knights and Ladies of St. Peter Claver here at Holy Family. So much happens because of this dedicated core of parishioners! We celebrate their mentor, St. Peter Claver S.J.

Speaking of their involvement, how about last week's picnic! It was a great event. The food was great, the games under the direction of Fred Van Den Hende and Virginia Clayton, the music at Mass by Gerry Dignan, the help of Deacon Rudy was also fantastic. Just when I think the picnic can't be any better it does! The Knights and the Junior Knights worked for hours setting up and taking down so that we could all enjoy the picnic. Odell Gordon and his Mom, Mike Evans and his boys and Ron Miller worked so hard. Thank-you!

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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



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 Ez 33:7-9

Thus says the LORD:

You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me. If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die," and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Reading 2 Rom 13:8-10

Brothers and sisters:

Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Mt 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that 'every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector. Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

The Gospel of the Lord

Next weekend will be the 10th anniversary of the September 11th terrorist attacks that so profoundly affected us all. At 8:30 a.m. Fr. Mulcrone will preside at a special liturgy to honor all those who lost their lives. There will be special remembrances at the 9:45 and 5:00 liturgies as well.

Don't forget the Golf outing. There are still plenty of tickets available.

Have a great weekend!

On Labor Day, we honor the worker and the role of labor in the social and economic development of our country. What does the church say about labor?

Labor has been the cornerstone of the social justice teaching of the church. At the very beginning of the labor movement, Pope Leo XIII wrote an encyclical letter called *Rerum Novarum*. In it, he discusses the right to private property and the rights of workers. It was seen for many years as a masterpiece of work, bringing traditional Catholic teaching to the new problems that the Industrial Revolution brought to the workplace. In fact, this document was so significant that later popes issued encyclicals on its anniversary: Pope Pius XI wrote *Quadragesimo Anno* and John XXIII, *Pacem in Terris*. Paul VI issued *Octogesima Adveniens* while John Paul II wrote *Centesimus Annus*. Pope Benedict XVI added his voice with *Caritas in Veritate*.

These documents all furthered the teaching of the church concerning the dignity of workers, the right to a fair wage, the importance of housing, and the need to take care of those who were in need. In 1967, Pope Paul VI wrote in *Populorum Progressio* that work "is something willed and approved by God." God gave people intelligence, sensitivity and the power of thought-tools with which to finish and perfect the work God began. Every worker is, to some extent, a creator-whether artist, craftsman, executive, laborer or farmer (#24-25).

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Liturgy

September 4 at 9:45 am

Presider Reverend Jeremiah Boland
Cross Bearer.....Tony Karp
Candle Bearers.....Virginia Clayton
& Mike Evans
Banner Carrier.....Antonio Canino
Lectors.....Odell Gordon
& LaShonya Wilson
Responsorial Psalm.....Joyce McKenzie
Communion Ministers.....Jerry Hossli,
Diane Allen, Rita Gardner, Debra
Higgins, Betty Ferguson, Donna Raclaw,
Sr. Mary Therese Freymann
Altar Servers..... Amare Wilson
& Justin Evans
Greeters.....Sal Giampa

September 11 at 9:45am

Lectors.....Francine Godwin
& Jim Sweeney
Altar Servers.....Marlayna Gandy
& Jazá Gandy
Greeters.....Sal Giampa

September 4 Collection Ministers

Eastside.....Ron Miller
East Center.....Mike Evans
Westside.....Cynthia Holden
West Center.....Felix Rubin

Mass Intentions

Knight Steve Broussard

Knight George Ferguson

All Living and Deceased Knights and
Ladies of St. Peter Claver.

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,000.00

Aug. 21.....\$2,543.75
GiveCentral.....\$195.00
Difference: -\$261.25
Aug. 28.....\$1,927.38
GiveCentral.....\$135.00
Difference: -\$937.72

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

If you wish to contribute to the Door
Restoration Project you can do so on
GiveCentral.com by choosing the
event "Church Door Restoration"

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Kay Ansani, Tracy Beyers, Michael
DeBlasis, Wilfred Cashman, Rachel
Cordero, Jesse Hernandez, Linda
Gaspero, Dale Gurney, Eleanor
Kotleba, Jim McNally, Philip Mendoza,
Phillip Miller, Dan O'Holleran,
Christopher Olkiewicz, Eric Shepherd,
Patti Tierney, Lupe Torres, Christine
Watson, and Jesse West

Parishioners who would like to send
a card or letter to Linda Gaspero
or Dan O'Holleran can send them
to the office and we will forward
them.

The Office for Ecumenical and
Interreligious Affairs - Archdiocese of
Chicago

Invites you to attend:
AN EVENING OF REMEMBRANCE
Commemorating
THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF
SEPTEMBER 11, 2001"
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2011
DALEY PLAZA
DEARBORN AND WASHINGTON
7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

We will gather as a community of
faith to:

- Remember the Victims of 9/11
- Offer thanks for the courage of
the 9/11 responders
- Renew our commitment to seek
healing and reconciliation
- Bear Witness to our shared hope
that we all may know God's
Peace and live in harmony in days
to come

Sponsored by: Council of Religious
Leaders of Metropolitan Chicago
Council of Islamic Organizations of
Greater Chicago

Golf Outing 2011

There are still tickets available for
Sunday, September 11, the scheduled
date for our 2nd annual golf outing.
We need volunteers to help organize
this year's outing. Please see Odell
after mass. You can also check us out
on our web page, where you can also
make payment for this event



On Sunday, August
21, we witnessed the
power of The Body
of Christ when the
many friends of Fr.
Hasse shared their
time, talents, gifts
and memories
to celebrate his
life. The Holy Spirit
used us to paint a
glorious, life-

giving picture honoring Fr.
Hasse. Thank you.

Brothers and Sisters:

Today, Sept. 4th, 2011 marks Council
and Court #381 Annual Celebration
of St. Peter Claver.

We will celebrate Mass and then
serve a continental breakfast to the
congregation and guests of Holy Fam-
ily.

Members who will participate are ex-
pected to assemble @ 9:30 am to
march in with the Mass Celebrant
Please wear your Peter Claver dress
outfits (Fez, Beret, etc.). Mike Evans
has list of assignments for the Mass
(Servers, Lectors, Communion Ministers,
etc.) Our Special Guests this year will
be Council and Court #378 (Our shar-
ing council).

The National and Northern District
celebration of Peter Claver will be
held @ Our Lady of Peace Church on
Sept. 11th.

Our Council and Court are expected
to also participate in the Mass of
Celebration. The Mass starts @
10:30am with assembly at 10:00am

Again, we
should be in
Peter Claver
dress uni-
form.

Please pass
the word to
fellow mem-
bers of our
Council and
Court.



Calendar

- Sept 4 - Peter Claver Day
- Sept 11 - 2nd Annual Golf Outing
- Sept 18 - Grandparent's Day celebration
- Sept 28 - Guest House Benefit 7 pm