

Holy Family

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Parish

A Word from Father Jerry

Dear Parishioners,

The story of Lazarus is a deeply moving one. How many people on their deathbed face the final moments of life with a sense of regret. If I could only have more time, if only I could have one more chance? Jesus, the giver of life, calls Lazarus from the tomb. I often wonder what happened to Lazarus? He must have been a different person as he was released from the grips of death.



This cycle of readings that we are reflecting on this Lenten season are considered the most rich by many biblical and liturgical scholars. The “woman at the well”, Jesus’ temptations in the desert, the “man born blind” and today’s presentation on Lazarus provide many insights on how we might live the Christian life with renewed vigor and energy.

I wish to welcome Fr. Jim Chambers S.J. who is presiding today. Fr Jim is a chaplain at Stroger Hospital and has been a wonderful supporter of Holy Family over the years. I am leading a parish mission in Fairfield Connecticut this weekend.

Next weekend we celebrate the St. Patrick’s Day parade, the concert by the Chicago Chorale, Palm Sunday and the Easter Egg Hunt. Get ready...

I still have some complimentary tickets for the lecture by Dr. Martin Marty on the Passion of St. Matthew and the performance of Bach’s famous oratorio on the Passion. Please call the office if you would like to go to see if there are any more tickets.

The Chicago History Museum opened its exhibition, “Catholic Chicago”. It has been met with great critical acclaim. One of the oldest pieces on display comes from Holy Family! We have, as you may know a beautiful banner of the Blessed Mother that was done in 1860. This banner was hand painted on silk with a leather background and was carried in processions celebrating feast days of the Blessed Mother. The banner was slightly damaged by smoke as a result of the fire of 2003. The banner was beautifully restored by the Chicago Conservatory and is hanging majestically in this exhibition. The exhibition will run until October of 2008.

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Masses

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

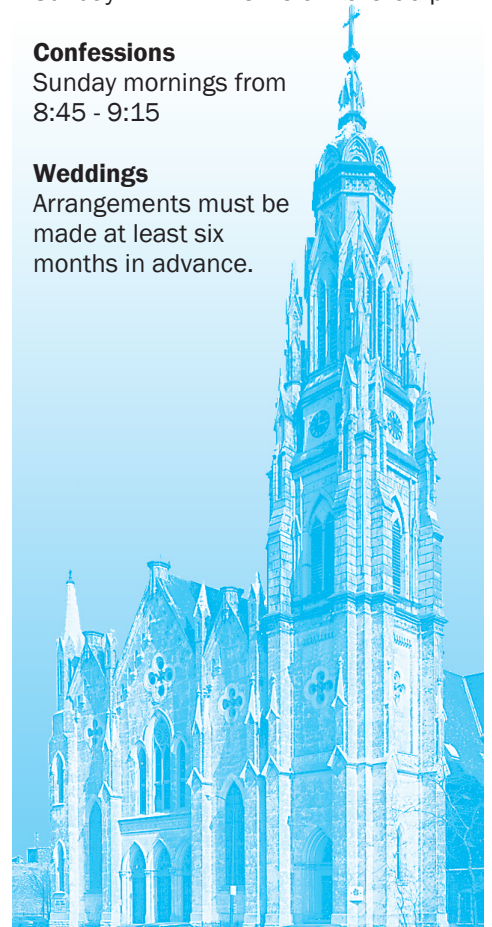
Sunday..... 9:45 am & 5:00 pm

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 I Ez 37:12-14

Thus says the Lord GOD:

O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Reading II Rom 8:8-11

Brothers and sisters:

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you.

The word of the Lord

Gospel

John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

The sisters of Lazarus sent word to Jesus, saying, "Master, the one you love is ill." When Jesus heard this he said, "This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he

was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was. Then after this he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." He became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Sir, come and see." And Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?" So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, He cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

The Gospel of the Lord

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Yesterday was a major day of cleaning the façade for the return of the Angels. I suspect that sometime this week the will all be hoisted up.

Please continue to pray for Steve Archer who is recovering from a serious car accident. We will spread the word as soon as we find out ways that we can support him and his family during this difficult time.

As Holy Week approaches, I hope you will consider celebrating the liturgies of this sacred week. All Holy Week services begin at 7:00 p.m. There are schedules of the services available in the back of Church. The celebration of Easter takes on such a deeper meaning if we have made the journey through the three holy days.

Please pray for our candidates who will be received into the Church on Holy Saturday. They are signs to us of new life!

Have a Blessed week,

Fr. Jerry



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

ALL who volunteered to read parts of the PASSION and/or be lectors during the EASTER TRIDUUM need to meet Sharon Carroll and Sr. Mary Angela IMMEDIATELY AFTER MASS TODAY IN THE WEST TRANSEPT to obtain each person's assignments. Thanks for being prompt!

Liturgy

March 9 at 9:45 am

Presider..... Reverend Jim Chambers, S.J.
 Cross BearerAnthony Karp
 Candle Bearers.....Betty Ferguson &
 Kathleen Rubin
 Banner Carrier.....Marilyn Reidy/
 Charlene Galloway
 Lectors Sarah Jones & Dana Hayes
 Responsorial Psalm.....Joyce McKenzie
 Communion Ministers..... Elizabeth Bray,
 Mildred Jackson, Linda Gaspero,
 Betty Ferguson, Rita Gardner,
 Pervis Balthazar, and Antonio Canino
 Altar Servers.....Aaron Mullins
 & Angel Avila

Next Sunday, March 16 at 9:45am

LectorsKathy Walton & Jerry Walton
 Altar Servers..... Alonzo Johnson
 & Ellie Ross

March Greeters

Matthew May, Ruthie Jones Clay,
 Viola Singleton, and Sol Giampa

March Collection Ministers

EastsideTony Canino
 East CenterRoy Summers
 Westside.....Steve Broussard
 West Center.....Shuming Gu

Mass Intentions

March 9 Pat Murphy
 Robert Sr., Dorothy Lee, and Lizora
 Bolden

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Steve Archer, Helen Beverwyck,
 Elizabeth Bray, Mary Everett, Hattie
 Miller, and Viola Singleton

Recently Deceased:

Sr. Mary Remi Caldwell, BVM
 Sr. Mary Frances Leahy, BVM

Sunday Collection

February 24, 2008 \$2,989.65
 March 2, 2008..... \$3,143.00

Thank You!

Please remember to print your
 name and address on your enve-
 lopes.

Holy Family Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Basket Party

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt and
 Easter Basket Party for the children,
 will be on Sunday, March 16th, after
 the 9:45 mass. Please contact Virginia
 Clayton for further details.
 773-533-1420

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday - March 16, Our Lord's
 Triumphal entrance into Jerusalem
 9:45 am - Liturgy and Solemn
 Procession with palms
 5:00 pm - Palm Sunday Liturgy
 Holy Thursday - March 20
 7:00 pm liturgy - Church open
 until midnight.
 Good Friday - March 21
 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross
 7:00 pm Liturgy of the Passion of
 Christ
 Holy Saturday - March 22
 2:00 pm Blessing of Food Baskets
 7:00 pm Vigil of Our Lord's
 Resurrection
 Easter Sunday - March 23
 9:45 am and 5:00 pm - Liturgy of
 Our Lord's Resurrection



On Holy Thursday, the
 offertory collection will
 be donated to Taller de
 José (Joseph's
 Workshop).

Taller de José (Joseph's
 Workshop) is a resource
 center located in
 Chicago's Little Village
 neighborhood. The
 current plight of persons
 who are immigrants and

their families is the presenting crisis for
 the creation and necessity of Taller de
 José. What is unique about this
 ministry is the fact that it is a resource
 center which connects and
 accompanies men, women and children
 who are in need with agencies who
 can help them live whole lives. Often
 those who need services are unable to
 connect with the agencies because of
 lack of knowledge, language barriers,
 or fear. Taller de José does not
 duplicate already existing services in
 the ecclesial and civic communities of
 Chicago but partners with them to help
 to alleviate human sufferings caused

by, but not limited to, hunger, domestic
 abuse, addictions, homelessness,
 sickness, and violence.

Sr. Kathy Brazda, CSJ is the director
 of this new ministry. She ministered as
 a teacher at Children of Peace and as
 Pastoral Associate at Notre Dame de
 Chicago.
 Thank you for your generosity.

The prayer group which meets at the
 Parish Center on each Thursday
 evening from 7:30 to 8:30 will
 welcome anyone who wishes to join
 us on the Thursdays of Lent. Call
 Sister Francilla (312-243-6125) for
 additional information.

Come and join us!

Please let Bob Bolden know if you
 would like to march in this year's St.
 Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday,
 March 15. Father Boland will be
 leading our group in the parade.

Volunteers Needed to Distribute Holy Week Schedules

Please join us on Saturday March
 15th at 9am at the Church Offices.
 We will spend about an hour
 distributing door hangers in the
 neighborhoods surrounding our parish.
 Sign up after Mass on Sunday in back
 of church or call Jerry Hossli at 312-
 492-7142.

Coming Events

March 15th - The Chicago Chorale
 Performance: Bach's
 Passion of St. Matthew
 7:00 p.m.
 March 15th - St. Patrick's Day parade
 March 16th - Easter Egg Hunt 11:30-
 2:00 Damen Hall
 March 17th - Hamilton College Choir
 Concert of Sacred Music
 7:00 p.m.
 Sept. 7th - Archdiocesan
 Celebration of
 the Feast of
 St. Peter Claver 12:00
 noon
 Nov. 1st - Celebration of the 175th
 Anniversary of the Sisters
 of Charity of the Blessed
 Virgin Mary - BVM's
 2:00 p.m.