

Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt
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Parish

A Word from Father Jerry

Dear Parishioners,

Today's Gospel is my favorite of the Easter Season, the Road to Emmaus. As the dejected disciples leave Jerusalem, they fail to recognize Jesus until the breaking of the bread. How often do we fail to recognize Jesus? How do we allow the Eucharist to feed us and to open our eyes to the many powerful ways the Lord is around us?

The Eucharist is the Lord's greatest gift to us. The Eucharist is the eternal memorial of Our Lord's passion, death and resurrection. It is a privilege each time we approach the altar to receive His body and blood.

I want to thank-you for your generous response to the "ramp project". As you know Steve Archer, parishioner and member of our choir was seriously injured in a traffic accident some weeks ago. It will be months before he is able to walk and do stairs. His wife Jaime is pregnant with twins so there is a lot going on.

They could really use a temporary ramp into their home so Steve can be wheeled in and out. Right now they must call the fire department to assist him in and out of the house. With your help we are planning to have a ramp built that meets all of the necessary regulations. If you can help, please make a check out to Holy Family and on the memo line write Ramp Project. If you are giving cash just make sure ramp project is on the envelope. This ramp will make a tremendous difference for them. I know many of you have wanted to help and this is a practical way that will make a big difference.

I want to thank Marilyn Reidy who is organizing visits, meals and rides to the doctors for the Archers. If you can help in this regard please see Marilyn. Steve is in the midst of an exhaustive physical therapy process so visits have to be scheduled aware of his energy levels.

Once again, congratulations to Sarah Jones and Joyce McKenzie who are 2008 recipients of the Sr. Thea Bowman award. Sr. Thea was one of the great women to serve the Church-she visited Holy Family many times. Sarah and Joyce truly deserve this recognition. Congratulations!



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Masses

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

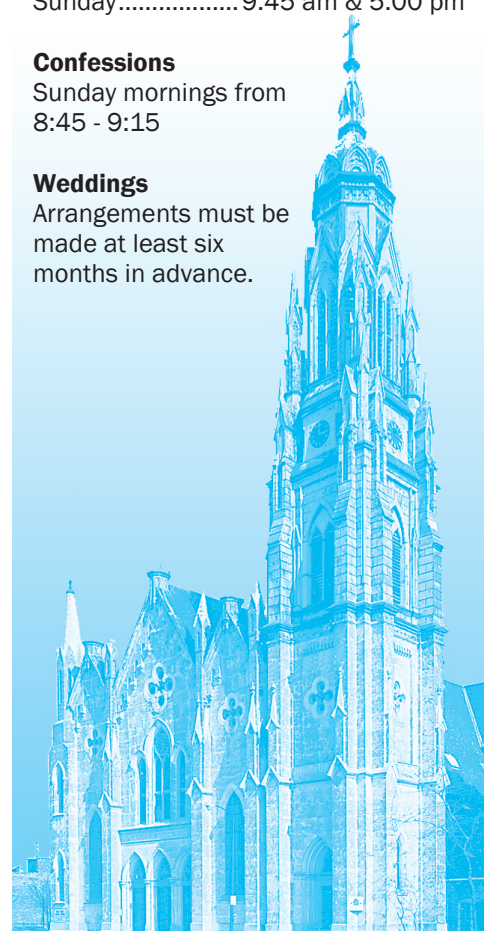
Sunday..... 9:45 am & 5:00 pm

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

Acts 2:14, 22-33

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem. Let this be known to you, and listen to my words. You who are Israelites, hear these words. Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God with mighty deeds, wonders, and signs, which God worked through him in your midst, as you yourselves know. This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God, you killed, using lawless men to crucify him. But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it. For David says of him:

I saw the Lord ever before me, with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed. Therefore my heart has been glad and my tongue has exulted; my flesh, too, will dwell in hope, because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your holy one to see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.

"My brothers, one can confidently say to you about the patriarch David that he died and was buried, and his tomb is in our midst to this day. But since he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he abandoned to the netherworld nor did his flesh see corruption. God raised this Jesus; of this we are all witnesses. Exalted at the right hand of God, he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father and poured him forth, as you see and hear."

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Reading II

1 Pt 1:17-21

Beloved:

If you invoke as Father him who judges impartially according to each one's works, conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb.

He was known before the foundation of the world but revealed in the final time for you, who through him believe in God who raised

him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel

Lk 24:13-35

That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

The Gospel of the Lord

In recent weeks people have said to me; are you ok? There seems to be something different about you; Where is Fr. Jerry and what have you done with him? Last November I was diagnosed with diabetes and learned that the best way to deal with diabetes was to lose weight. I have a lot of diabetes in my family. I have been grateful to Bob Bolden and Jerry Hossli for all the resources they have shared with me on living with diabetes.

Last December I entered a program at Palos Community Hospital called New Directions (1-708-349-3438). It is a weight loss program that has a strict calorie and exercise regimen. I have been going to weekly sessions and learning a lot about nutrition, how to read a food label and developing strategies when shopping for food or ordering food in a restaurant. I am truly grateful for all your support. I have struggled with weight issues for many years. Trying to lose weight is so hard and can be difficult to appreciate if you have been blessed with a pretty constant weight over the years. The next hurdle I must face is maintaining my weight.

If you would like any info about the program I am in, I am happy to talk about it. Blue Cross Blue Shield covers much of the medical costs and because the program is medically monitored the nutritional supplements are tax deductible

This weekend I am in Ft. Lauderdale presiding at a wedding. The demands of ministry! Someone has to do it!

Have a Blessed week,

Liturgy

April 6 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Reverend Paul Campbell
Cross Bearer Virginia Clayton
Candle Bearers.....Tom O'Malley &
Katie Terone
Banner Carrier..... Willie Ramsey
Lectors..... Joyce McKenzie &
Pervis Balthazar
Responsorial Psalm.....Jay Borchert
Communion Ministers..... Lillie Gandy,
Sheila/Edward O'Connell, Louise Jones,
Stacey Mullins, Pearl Luss, Denise Sum-
mers, Dawn O'Holleran
Altar Servers.....Amare Wilson
& Amber Wilson

Next Sunday, April 13 at 9:45am

Lectors Jim Sweeney &
Francine Godwin
Altar Servers..... Aaron Mullins
& Angel Avila

April Greeters

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

April Collection Ministers

Eastside Tom Justic
East Center Anissa Conley
Westside..... Josephine Ramirez
West Center.....Betty Parker

Mass Intentions

Charles O'Connor

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Steve Archer, Helen Beverwyck,
Elizabeth Bray, Mary Everett, Susan
Hawel, Mildred Jackson, Hattie Miller,
and Viola Singleton

Recently deceased:

Inez Haney

Sunday Collection

Easter \$10,081.13
March 30..... \$2,620.21

Thank You!

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

Newly
Baptized



Austin Adriano Aguinaldo
Baptized 3/30/2008
Welcome!

April 6 – Third Sunday of Easter

True joy and happiness lies in the
knowledge and experience of God.
Today we see this illustrated in the
disciples whom Jesus appeared to on
the road to Emmaus. When they rec-
ognized Him they were overjoyed. Is
God calling you to this same joy as a
priest or religious? For more informa-
tion about the holy priesthood contact
Fr. Joe Noonan at 312-751-8298 or
at jnoonan@archchicago.org. For
more information about the religious
life contact Sr. Peter Mary Hettling,
CSJ at 312-751-5245 or at phettling@archchicago.org.

Coming Events

- May 18th - Baby Shower for Jaime Archer
- May 25th - Corpus Christi Sunday - St. Raymond's Pastor, Fr. Pietrzak, Guest Preacher @ 9:45 am
- June 1st - Lumen Corduim Society Mass - Cardinal George presiding, 3:00 pm
- June 2nd - National Order of Forrester's Mass and Board meeting. Bishop J. Peter Sartain presiding, 5:00 pm
- June 7th - Jesuit Ordinations at Holy Family 10:00 am
- June 27th - Knights of Malta Mass and Celebration, Cardinal George presiding, 5:30 pm
- July 31st - The Feast of St. Ignatius
- Aug. 24th - Parish Picnic, Mass at Noon
- 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.
- Nov. 23rd - Sr. Otilie's Christmas Sale

Golden Wedding
Anniversary Mass

The Golden Wedding Anniversary
Mass will be held on Sunday,
September 7th at 2:30 p.m. at Holy
Name Cathedral, 735 N. State St.,
Chicago.

Couples married in 1958 who are
interested in attending this celebration
should contact their parish to register.

For further information call the Family
Ministries Office at 312.751.8351 or
visit the website:
www.familyministries.org.



**BABY SHOWER FOR THE
ARCHER TWINS**

*You're invited
to celebrate the
anticipated
arrival of Jaime
& Steve's twins
with us!!*

Sunday, May 18
After 9:45 Mass
Please bring a pot-luck dish.

Also, remember that we
are shopping for **two** babies.