

# Holy Family Parish

1080 W. Roosevelt  
Chicago, Illinois 60608

## A Word from Father Jerry

Dear Parishioners,

“They knew Him in the breaking of the bread”

This is my favorite scripture of the Easter Season. The road to Emmaus captures so much about the past and the future of the faith community of the Risen Christ. It is often in the midst of our journeys, the Lord is revealed. He is revealed through Word and Sacrament. As we share our joys and struggles, our blindness can be lifted and we see the presence of the Lord in ways we had not anticipated.

Each Sunday, we gather to break bread and share the cup. We are fed as we continue our faith journey. The Eucharist is Our Lord’s greatest gift! I can’t help but think of our First Communicants who are closing in on First Communion Sunday, May 24th. Please pray for them.

Last night was the Stepper Set in Damen Hall. It was a wonderful evening and I am grateful to the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Peter Claver for their efforts in planning this time to get together.

Next Sunday, May 3rd, the St Florian chapter of the Knights of Columbus is inviting all of us to a pancake breakfast in Damen Hall after the 9:45 a.m. mass. The Knights are firefighters and paramedics and they meet monthly at Holy Family. The Breakfast is a way of them saying thanks to the parish for letting them have their meetings here. Holy Family has enjoyed a wonderful relationship with the fire department over the years.

Sunday, May 10th is Mother’s Day and we will have a special blessing of the women of the parish. We will begin the 9:45 a.m. mass with our annual crowning of the Blessed Mother.

I am grateful to a number of attendees of the 5:00 p.m. mass that have volunteered to be lectors and Eucharistic ministers. If you attend that Mass and would like to assist, please e-mail me so I can put you on the schedule.

Winter has taken its toll on Holy Family Church! I just want to update you on a number of projects that we are about as a result of the winter. Ice that slid off the Church roof damaged the heating/air conditioning unit that is on the roof of the hospitality room. Those repairs should begin this week. We had a major leak in the roof over the West Transept. The roof was repaired a few weeks ago and the plaster and painting repair will take place in a couple of months. I have had a structural engineer do an evaluation of the bell tower to address some issues related to latches and panels that need attention. Damen Hall has remained dry as bone during all this recent rain—Thank God! Unfortunately the sub basement where the boilers are has been taking in water so plumbing engineers are drafting a proposal as we continue our efforts to protect Holy Family from all the water that finds its way into the building. We more than likely will have to install 2 industrial sump pumps to service the North East corner on the facility.



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### Parish Staff

Administrator..... Rev. Jerry Boland

Deacon ..... Rudolf Kotleba

Director of Gospel Choirs ..Sam Parker

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

### Masses

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

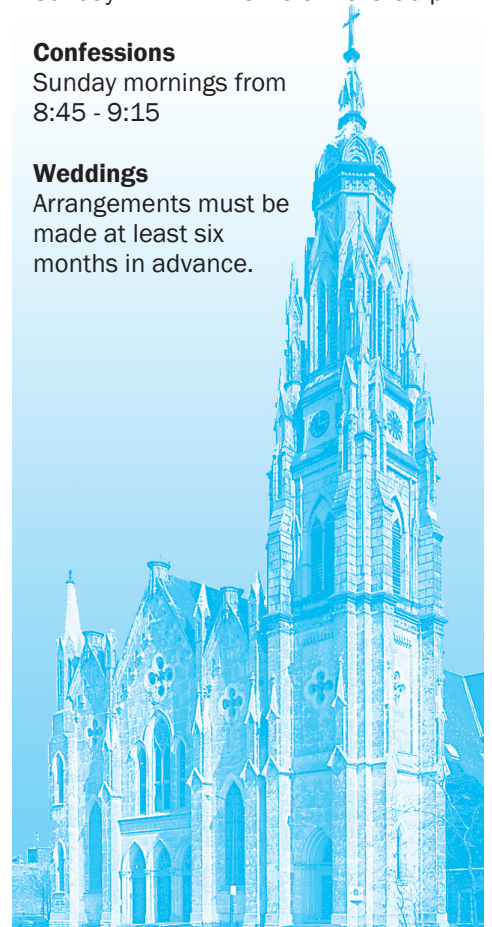
Sunday..... 9:45 am & 5:00 pm

### Confessions

Sunday mornings from  
8:45 - 9:15

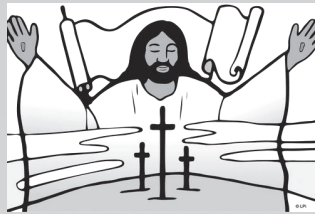
### Weddings

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 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people: "The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate's presence when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away."

The Word of the Lord

### Responsorial Psalm

Lord, let your face shine on us.

### Reading II

1 Jn 2:1-5a

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, "I know him," but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

The Word of the Lord

### Gospel

Lk 24:35-48

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them. He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

The Gospel of the Lord

We have made great progress in addressing flooding but we still have a way to go.

This week we celebrated Administrative Assistant Day. Special thanks to Sharon Van Den Hende, our Administrative Assistant here at Holy Family! She is a blessing to all of us.

Have a Blessed week,

### 3rd Sunday of Easter

It had been an especially trying day. He had been out of work for over six months, and despite many interviews, he had not been offered any positions. He thought he had qualifications for the positions he had applied, what with a college degree and many years' experience in his field. Still, he continued to be turned down, often with no explanation whatsoever. Depressed, he turned to a particularly good book and read the words of a reassuring friend: "Peace be with you." That afternoon, he received a call from an employer.

Today's Gospel reading is Luke's version of last week's reading from John. Two men have just visited the disciples and told of their encounter with the risen Jesus on their way to Emmaus. Excitedly, they recalled how they did not recognize him, but felt a burning in their hearts as they walked along and listened to him speak. Not until he broke the bread at dinner did they understand in whose presence they were. And as they told their story, Jesus appeared to them all in the room, startling them with his presence so they were unable to recognize him. "Peace be with you," he tells them.

At times in our lives, we are hidden behind locked doors, fearful of the world and what it may have to offer us, or even what it may want to take from us. It is at these times that we must look for the resurrected Jesus and listen for his offer of peace. We celebrate the liturgy in expectation of Christ's return; we pray in hope through the Holy Spirit (CCC 2657). When we are fearful, remember the prayer of St. Paul: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the holy Spirit" (Rom 15:13).

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**Liturgy**

**April 26 at 9:45 am**

Presider..... Reverend Jeremiah Boland.  
Cross Bearer ..... Virginia Clayton  
Candle Bearers.....Tom O'Malley  
& Katie Terone  
Banner Carrier..... Willie Ramsey  
Lectors..... Sabrina Cajandig  
& Sarah Jones  
Responsorial Psalm..... Marilyn Reidy  
Communion Ministers..... Lillie Gandy,  
Donna Raclaw, Debra Higen, Sr. Theresa,  
Pearl Luss, Josephine Saraceno, Sr. Mary  
Therese  
Altar Servers.....Alonzo Johnson  
& Aaron Canino

**Next Sunday, May 3 at 9:45am**

Lectors ..... Pervis Balthazar  
& Joyce McKenzie  
Altar Server .....Amare Wilson

**April Greeters**

Matthew May, Ruthie Jones Clay, and  
Sol Giampa

**April Collection Ministers**

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

**May Collection Ministers**

Eastside ..... Jesse West  
East Center ..... Sal Giampa  
Westside..... Willie Ramsey  
West Center..... George Canino

**May Entrance Procession**

Cross Bearer .....Caretha Carroll  
Candle Bearers.....Julia Haynes  
& Vincent Giampa  
Banner Carrier..... Tom McElligott  
Responsorial Psalm.....

**Sunday Collection**

April 12 ..... \$2,078.00  
April 26 ..... \$2,465.62  
Hospitality..... \$134.95

Please remember to print your name  
and address on your envelopes.  
Thank you.

**Mass Intentions**

Concha Alfaro-Medrano

*Please Remember in your Prayers:*

Steve Archer, Prefecta Baffer, Doris  
Balthazar, Eileen Boland, Robert  
Bolden, Herneen Glass, Mary P.  
Higen, Gertrude Hill, Ivo Marchetti,  
Cozetta Morris, Luke Strotman, Keith  
Schuler, Noah Stuart, and Indy  
Williams

**Please save your POP TOPS**

The Jr. Knights and Jr. Daughters are  
collecting POP Can tops to be  
donated to Ronald Mc Donald House.  
Please save your top's and bring them  
to church and place them in the  
container in the back of the church.



**Attention all Holy Family Parishioners and Friends...**

Mark your calendars.  
The Greater Chicago  
Food Depository  
**HUNGER WALK** will  
take place on  
Saturday June 20, 2009. Please join  
Team Holy Family in our 3rd Annual  
Walk along the lakefront to raise  
funds for our food pantry. See Sister  
Marion Murphy or Jay Borchert for  
more information.

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**BAPTISM**

Charlotte Graciela Martinez

*Welcome!*

**St. Agatha Catholic School  
'Calling All Alumni' Celebration**

Saturday, May 30th  
St. Ignatius College Prep  
Please send your name, address, and  
phone # to:  
Fr. Larry Dowling, St. Agatha  
denispadre@aol.com  
Or call 773-522-3050

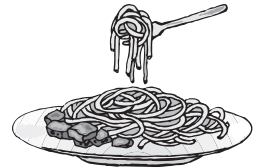


**Come hungry!**

Next Sunday, May 3, after the 9:45  
mass the St. Florian's Knights of  
Columbus will be cooking up their  
annual Pancake Breakfast. There will  
be plenty of pancakes and sausage  
for everyone!

**Spaghetti Luncheon**

Sponsored by the  
Jr. Knights & Jr.  
Daughters of the  
Knights of Peter  
claver court and  
counsel 381. Mark the date - May  
31st, in Damen Hall immediately  
following mass. The price per plate is  
\$5.00, which includes spaghetti, garlic  
bread, and beverage.  
All donations will sponsor the kids this  
summer for youth programs.



**Calendar**

May 3rd - Pancake Breakfast following  
9:45 mass  
May 10th - Mother's Day Celebration and  
May crowning  
May 21st - Feast of the Ascension  
May 24th - First Holy Communion  
May 31st - Pentecost Sunday  
May 31st - Spaghetti Luncheon following  
9:45 mass  
June 20th - Hunger Walk  
Aug. 23rd- Parish Picnic