

Aug 30 • Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Parish

A Word from Father Jerry

Dear Parishioners,

The "dog days of August", what happened to them? The lazy days of August all too quickly give way to the encroaching business of the Fall. Perhaps the fact that schools are opening sooner and sooner is responsible for this.



August here at Holy Family has been quite busy. We began the month with a moving tribute to Sr. Mary Angela Buser BVM who has served Holy Family for 16 years. Sister moved to the Motherhouse last Tuesday and we praise the Lord for her ministry here and hope that she will have many wonderful years at Mt Carmel. We also celebrated the 50th Anniversary of Jim Hassie SJ's entering the Jesuit community. His celebration brought so many former parishioners back and we were all overjoyed at the number of young people who were mentored by him.

Last week's parish picnic was awesome. The weather, the turnout, the food, the folks from St. Raymond's made for a great afternoon. Hats off to Odell Gordon and his Mom for the great food. Also thanks to Deacon Rudy for his help with setting up the Mass, Tony Fabian for bringing the tables and chairs, Tony Canino for cooking, Sr. Marion, Pervis Balthazar, Sharon and Fred Van den Hende, Rich and Debbie Russo and so many others who made for a memorable picnic. The spirit of Steve Broussard was shining down on us!

This past month we celebrated the weddings of 15 couples and baptized 5 newborns! The finance committee approved our end of the year report. We also completed a number of repairs to the parish facilities.

The coming year will be as busy as ever. We will welcome our new pastoral associate, Sr. Eileen Tierney. We will hopefully produce a parish pictorial directory. We have several concerts planned and there are many major projects in the future months. Enjoy Labor day, it is going to be a busy Fall.

Have a Blessed week!

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Masses

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

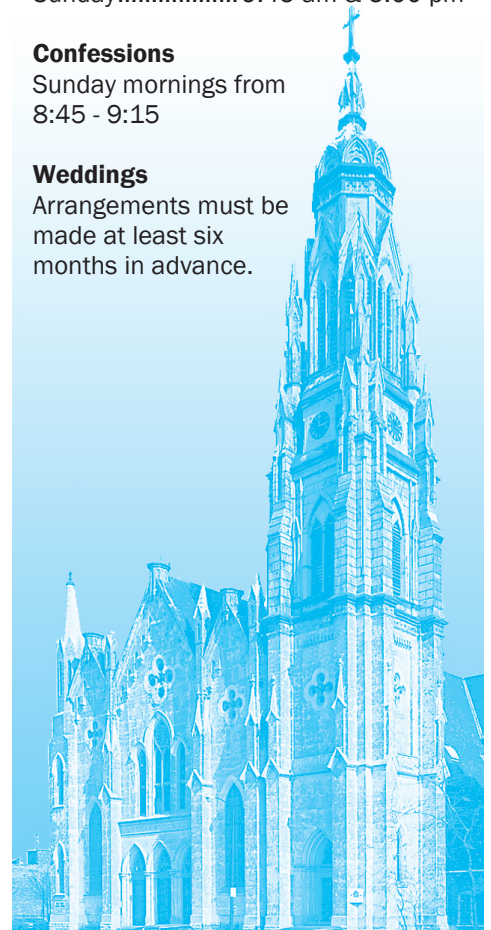
Sunday..... 9:45 am & 5:00 pm

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.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA, as it is commonly called, is a process where those wishing to become Catholic are prepared to enter the Church and receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil, Saturday evening, April 3rd. Others who are also invited and encouraged to join RCIA include:

- Baptized Catholics who were not brought up in the Faith and didn't receive their First Communion and Confirmation.
- Baptized Non Catholics who wish to convert to Catholicism
- Non Catholics who were not Baptized or persons who have any religion
- Non Catholic Spouses who would like to learn more about the religion in which their spouse and children profess belief

Concerning RCIA, there's one very important point to be stressed...**RCIA is the responsibility of all of us.** When you think of it, 99+ % of us sitting in the pews each Sunday have all received the Sacraments of Initiation (i.e. Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). Therefore, it is up to us to spread the word about these sessions and to invite others to join the process. Who of us doesn't have some family member, a friend, a neighbor, a co-worker who might be interested, if only we extend the invitation. How else will they know?

We hope to begin these sessions at Holy Family in late September or early October. If you have questions, are interested or know someone who is, please call the parish office and leave your name, address and phone number for Sr. Eileen who will get back to you as soon as possible.

Reading I

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses said to the people: "Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin upon you, you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. Observe them carefully, for thus will you give evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations, who will hear of all these statutes and say, 'This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.' For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him? Or what great nation has statutes and decrees that are as just as this whole law which I am setting before you today?"

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

One who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Reading II

Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Dearest brothers and sisters: All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change. He willed to give us birth by the word of truth that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands. —For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. — So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, "Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition."

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile. "From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile."

The Gospel of the Lord

Liturgy

Aug 30 at 9:45 am

Presider..... Reverend Jeremiah Boland.
Cross Bearer Virginia Clayton
Candle Bearers.....Tom O'Malley
& Katie Terone
Banner Carrier..... Willie Ramsey
Lectors Christine Aquino
& Matt Aquino
Responsorial Psalm..... Arenea Luss
Communion Ministers.....Jerry Hossli,
Mildred Jackson, Sr. Pat, Renee Mason,
John King, Lillie Gandy, Willie Ramsey
Altar Servers.....Aaron Canino
& Angel Gandy

Next Sunday, Sept. 6 at 9:45am

Lectors Eleanor Kotleba
& Virginia Clayton
Altar Servers.....Marlayna Gandy

August Greeters

Matthew May, Ruthie Jones Clay, and
Sal Giampa

August Collection Ministers

Eastside.....Ivory Hill
East Center.....John Blyth
Westside.....Odell Gordon
West Center.....Rose Kelly

September Collection Ministers

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

September Entrance Procession

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

 *Mass Intentions*

Mary B. Martensen

Sunday Collection

Aug. 16.....\$2,023.04
Aug. 23.....\$2,275.78

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

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Steve Archer, Rose Belmares, Bob
Bolden, Daphne Connolly, Hervene
Glass, Gertrude Hill, Ivo Marchetti,
Cozetta Morris, Carol Roman, Keith
Schuler, Susan Sheridan, Christine
Watson, and Endy Williams

Recently Deceased:

Nathaniel Ellis
James Thomas

Westside Employment Education

Center here at Holy Family, which has
been in existence for over twenty-five
years, will soon be taking registrations
for the 2009-2010 school year. Sister
Mary Otilie and Sister Marion are
directors/teachers of the program
which is focused on serving young
women and men, ages 16 and older,
who have not yet completed high
school and want to prepare for the
GED exam or improve their basic
skills. Daily classes are held Monday
through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until
noon. There are daily classes in
reading, math, and language skills. In
addition, there is instruction in
computer usage, science, and social
studies. Students are instructed
according to their levels of
achievement. Thanks to the support of
the BVM Community, there is no fee
for this program. Encourage young
people whom you know to take
advantage of this opportunity for
growth.

Registration will be held at the
following times:

Wednesday, September 2 or
Thursday, September 3 Between 9:00
am and 11 :30 am

At Westside Employment Education
Center 1019 S. May St.

(side entrance - lower level)

See Sister Otilie or Sister Marion for
additional information.

HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY

In June the Greater Chicago Food
Depository sponsored the annual
Hunger Walk. It was somewhat
disappointing that we did not have a
large group of walkers. However, we
pay tribute to two special persons who
walked for Holy Family and raised
funds for the food pantry: Virginia
Clayton and Lillie Gandy. In addition

to that we give thanks for donors who
pledged funds for the Hunger Walk.
THANK YOU!!!!

Many of you have been contributing
food all year long, bringing it to
church on Sundays and leaving it in the
southwest corner. This has been a
tremendous help. Others of you have
been making monetary contributions
designated for the food pantry, and
we are able to use that money for
items we cannot get from the Food
Depository, but which are vital for our
clients. To all of you, we extend our
thanks.

It takes many people to keep our food
pantry functioning. We are blessed to
have volunteers who participate in this
outreach ministry here at Holy Family.
Shirley Munson, Frenchie Sidney and
Lillie Gandy are long-time workers
and are present weekly. Sal Giampa
picks up our allocation from the
Greater Chicago Food Depository,
and Darlene Kulla picks up produce
and bread each week. Each week
John King, Sister Cornelia, BVM, and
Jennifer DeFrancesco pack the bags
for clients. Cathy O'Loughlin from St.
Barnabas, one of our sharing parishes,
helps with distribution and Ed Julliard
from St. Ignatius does also. Cindy
Neilson/Yakel from our parish has just
begun assisting with distribution. Sr.
Francilla, Sr. Mary Angela, Sr.
Theresa, Rita and Dave Gardner,
Josephine Ramirez, and Pervis
Balthazar assist at times of special
distributions. Sister Otilie works with
me day in and day out to do all kinds
of hidden and unknown activities
connected with running the food
pantry. Thank you one and all, Sister
Marion, BVM

Calendar

Today - Ice Cream Social after 9:45
mass
Sept. 2nd- Westside Employment Center
Sept. 3rd- Registration 9-11:30 am
Sept. 10th- Parish Directory photography
session 3 pm - 9:30 pm
Sept. 11th- Parish Directory photography
session 3 pm - 9:30 pm
Sept. 12th- Parish Directory photography
session 10 am - 5 pm
Sept. 13th - Drawing for trip to Rome