

Oct 4 • Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Respect Life Sunday

# Holy Family

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# Parish

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## Parish Staff

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

## Masses

Monday-Friday ..... 7:30 am  
(St. Ignatius Chapel)  
Sunday..... 9:45 am & 5:00 pm

## Confessions

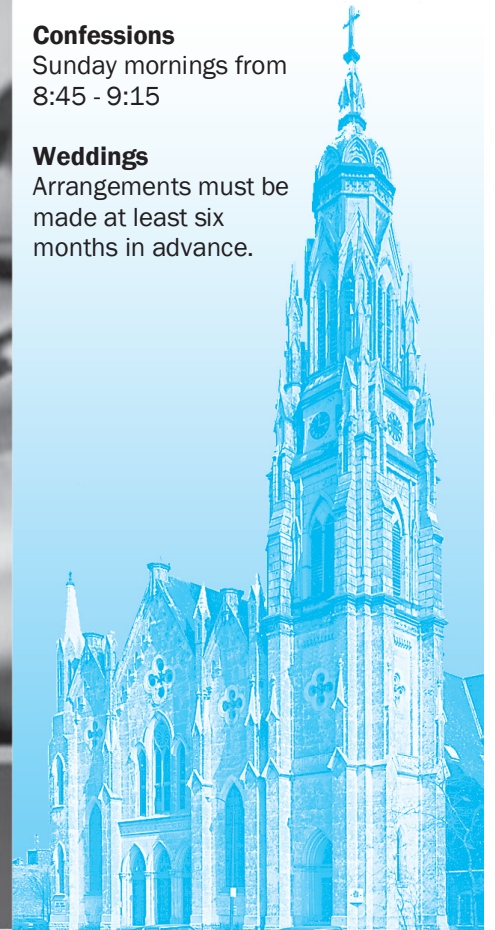
Sunday mornings from  
8:45 - 9:15

## Weddings

Arrangements must be  
made at least six  
months in advance.

RESPECT

Life



## 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

Gn 2:18-24

The LORD God said: "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him." So the LORD God formed out of the ground various wild animals and various birds of the air, and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them; whatever the man called each of them would be its name.

The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of the air, and all wild animals; but none proved to be the suitable partner for the man.

So the LORD God cast a deep sleep on the man, and while he was asleep, he took out one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. The LORD God then built up into a woman the rib that he had taken from the man. When he brought her to the man, the man said: "This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman,' for out of 'her man' this one has been taken." That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one flesh.

The Word of the Lord

### Responsorial Psalm

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

### Reading II

Heb 2:9-11

Brothers and sisters:

He "for a little while" was made "lower than the angels," that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

For it was fitting that he, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the leader to their salvation perfect through suffering. He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin. Therefore, he is not ashamed to call them "brothers."

The Word of the Lord

### Gospel

Mk 10:2-12

The Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" They were testing him. He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." In the house the disciples again questioned Jesus about this. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

The Gospel of the Lord

## 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the truisms of statistics is that they can be manipulated to show whatever the person doing the report wants them to show. On the subject of divorce, those who speak out against marriage love to cite that half of all marriages ends in divorce, therefore the sacrament must not be worth the pain that may ensue with divorce. But according to the US Census Bureau, the divorce rate in this country has dropped to its lowest level in nearly forty years, while the marriage rate remains constant. There is always hope!

In today's Gospel reading from Mark, the Pharisees posed a question to Jesus in hopes of catching him teaching against the laws of the time, a punishable offense. "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce a wife?" they asked. Knowing their intent, Jesus allowed them to answer their own question by admitting that Moses had decreed divorce allowable. This gave Jesus the opportunity to remind all who would hear that a marriage between a man and a woman is a sacred bond not only between the two but also with God. Given this opportunity, Jesus explains that no human can overturn an act of God.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that at the very beginning of the sacred Scripture, God reveals his plan for us in marriage in the creation of a man and a woman for each other; and at the end, we are given the vision of the wedding-feast of the Lamb (CCC 1602). Moses realized that among the people, there were hearts that did not possess or accept the sanctity of marriage, therefore he allowed for divorce. But while Jesus acknowledged this, he asked us to understand the sacrament and to do all that we could to preserve it.

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**We are in need of someone to help with the laundering of the altar linens. If you are able and willing, please call the parish office.**

**Liturgy**

**Oct. 4 at 9:45 am**

Presider ..... Reverend Jeremiah Boland.  
Cross Bearer ..... Tony Canino  
Candle Bearers.....Jane Justic  
& Jerilyn Young  
Banner Carrier..... Jesse West  
Lectors..... Pervis Balthazar  
& Sabrina Cajandig  
Responsorial Psalm.....Dan & Dawn  
O'Holleran  
Communion Ministers..... Donna Raclaw,  
Virginia McElligott, Sister Theresa, Debra  
Higgins, Pearl Luss, Josephine Saraceno,  
Sister Mary Therese  
Altar Servers..... Aaron Canino  
& Angel Gandy

**Next Sunday, Oct. 11 at 9:45am**

Lectors.....Kathy Walton  
& Jerry Walton  
Altar Servers.....Marlayna Gandy

**October Greeters**

Matthew May, Ruthie Jones Clay, and  
Sal Giampa

**October Collection Ministers**

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

*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, Christine Watson, and Endy  
Williams

 **Mass Intentions**

Edward Mulcrone

**Sunday Collection**

Sept. 13.....\$3,688.41  
Sept. 20.....\$2,441.19  
Hospitality.....\$180.85

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

**Holy Family Penny Project**

Recently we've had a few unexpected  
expenses at the parish (eg. roof  
repair). In addition there are several  
projects which have been postponed  
(one being the repair of the front  
doors of the Church).

We realize these are difficult times for  
most people so we thought of trying a  
more creative approach to raising  
funds. If a journey of a thousand miles  
begins with a single step, then raising  
the money we need begins with a  
single penny.

This week we'll begin the Penny  
Project. We have a 5 gallon jug in  
the back of church and ask you to  
drop in your pennies (other coins are  
welcome). Many people dislike  
pennies and throw them away.  
Others, when they empty their pockets  
at night, drop them in jars or old cigar  
boxes where they just collect dust.  
When people spread the word and  
ask friends or relatives if they have  
any pennies "hanging around", the  
Penny Project has been most successful.  
Let's break the record of a nearby  
parish that boasted a total of over  
\$44,000 collected in a little over 3  
years!

Our warmest welcome to all who  
celebrate with us. Whether long time  
residents or newly arrived at the  
parish, we thank God for you! If you  
are not registered, or if your address,  
or phone number has changed, please  
see Jerry Hossli.



**Baby Shower**

There will be a baby  
shower for Amber Clayton  
on Oct. 11 after the 9:45  
mass. For more  
information please  
contact Virginia  
Clayton.

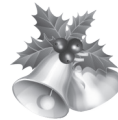


**RCIA**

We hope to begin an RCIA session at  
Holy Family sometime this month. 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.

Please take action to help fight  
hunger. It is one of the best possible  
ways to help your neighbor. Non-  
perishable donations for our food  
pantry can be brought to church and  
placed in the back southwest corner.  
Or, you may wish to place a monetary  
donation in the collection basket in an  
envelope clearly marked "Food Pantry  
Donation".  
Thank you.

If you have not yet filled out our  
ministry survey, please fill out a copy  
in the back of church today.



**Holy Family's 2009  
Christmas Sale**

We are currently accepting  
donations of new items including house  
hold items, toys, books, decorations,  
jewelry, etc.

Bring your donations every Sunday  
starting September 27th through  
November 15th to the  
9:45 Mass.



Thank you for your  
generosity and God  
bless!!

**Four Winds Casino Bus Trip**

Seats are now available for the  
Knights of Peter Claver 'fun'draiser on  
Sat. Nov. 7. Reservations must be  
received by 10/25. Checks should be  
made payable to 'K of PC Council  
#381' in the amount of \$35, which  
includes transportation, \$10 towards  
lunch, & \$15 towards gambling.  
Please contact Virginia Clayton, Odell  
Gordon, or any K of PC member.

**Calendar**

- Oct. 11th - Stewardship Sunday
- Oct. 11th - Baby shower for Amber  
Clayton after 9:45 mass
- Nov. 7th - Casino Trip, Leave at 10:30am
- Nov. 8th - Apollo Chorus Concert 3pm
- Dec. 6th - Holy Family Christmas Sale
- Dec. 13th - Chicago Chorale Christmas  
Concert 3 pm. Pre-concert  
Talk at 1:30
- Dec. 20th - Cardinal George's Christmas  
Concert for Chicago 3pm