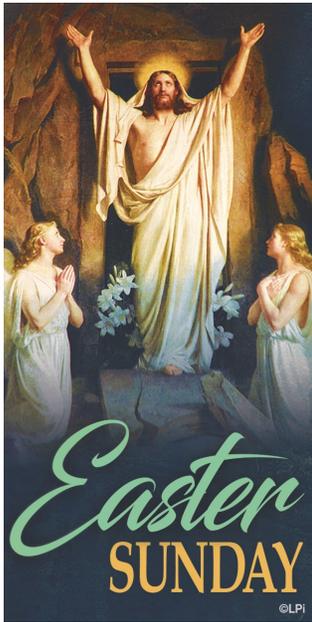


April 1, 2018 • Easter Sunday

Holy Family

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In some ways, this article for Easter is one of the harder articles I have written all year. Reason being, as I write, it is Tuesday before Palm Sunday. Spiritually and emotionally, I am still planted firmly in Lent, and have not even begun Holy Week. I am trying to get ready to prepare to celebrate the Triduum, those three celebrations on Holy Thursday, Good Friday & Holy Saturday night which are the liturgical high points of the entire year. And I have to write a bulletin article about Easter. On the other hand, perhaps that is how it should be.

In celebrating the Great Feast of the Resurrection, we cannot afford to forget how we got here. Another way of saying this is that we cannot get to Easter without going through Good Friday. While Easter may be about lilies and flowing water and new life, it is also at the same time about betrayal and denial. It is about innocence defiled, and the execution of the just one. These realities are inseparable in the life of Jesus, and they are inseparable in our own lives as well.

During Lent we have been talking about the Paschal Mystery. About how not everything that happens in the world is God's will. Quite the contrary, starting with sin, there is much that happens in the world that is simply not God's fault. I also shared my conviction that no matter how comforting it might sound, the conventional wisdom that "Everything happens for a reason" is not only not wise, but it is a lie. Sometimes things happen in life that are beyond reason. Some things are just bad, or tragic, or painful or downright evil, and we have to be willing to call it that. Some people call it "living life on life's terms".

This is where Easter comes in. Easter is about a God who dared to humble himself, embracing completely our humanity. While still God, he became like us in all things but sin, obediently accepting even death on a cross. Easter is about sitting at the foot of the cross on Friday afternoon, as blood flows from his side. Easter is about trudging through Saturday, discouraged and disappointed, perhaps on the edge of despair. Easter is about going to the tomb in the morning and finding it empty. Easter is about the power of God's love touching and transforming even death itself, in order to bring forth new life, for Jesus and for us.

The more that we can embrace that mystery in our daily lives, the more we will experience the salvation Christ won for us. It's about believing that God can touch even the messy, disordered, unplanned events and bring forth something new. That is the Paschal Mystery. That is the Resurrection.

Happy Easter!!!!

Fr Mike

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Masses

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.



April 1 Easter Sunday at 9:45 am
 Presider....Rev. Michael Gabriel
 Candle Bearers....Maria Vega and
 Kellee Athens
 Lector.....Sabrina Cajandig
 Communion Ministers...John King, Sr.
 Pat Cummings, Rita Gardner, Joyce
 Addo, Josephine Aguilar, Vernon Lam
 Altar Servers..... Xavier Rios and
 Daveion Hightee
 Greeter.....Christine Pugh

April 1—Easter Sunday at 5 pm
 Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
 Eucharistic Minister.....
 Lector.....Anne and Steve Hasselbeck

April 8 at 9:45 am
 Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
 Candle Bearers....Jerrilyn Young and
 Cynthia Holden
 Lector.....Odell Gordon
 Communion Ministers.....
 Vernon Lam, Debbie Gaussein, Dawn
 O'Holleran, Easter Booker, Sr. Pat
 Cummings, Joyce Addo
 Altar Servers.....Alexandria and
 Amanda Wilson
 Greeter.....Christine Pugh

April 8 at 5 pm
 Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
 Eucharistic Minister.....
 Lector.....Amanda Seddon

April Ushers:
 Eastside..... Phil Terrazzino
 East Center.....Rose Kelly
 Westside.....Tom Justic
 West Center.....Jim Gaussein

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www.holyfamilychicago.org

Registration forms for
 new parishioners, weddings,
 and baptisms.
 News and information about Holy
 Family Parish
Check it out!

Please send all **bulletin**
announcements, including
 people for the prayer list, to
marina@holyfamilychicago.org

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Mary Breslin,
 Sr. Mary Angela Buser, BVM,
 Mary Cleveland,
 Michael Rosario Costa, Madelynn
 Jacobs, Lettece Lee, Phillip Miller,
 Janet Miskus, Tom O'Malley,
 Joel Rivera, Denise Summers,
 Jim Sweeney



Ed and Evelyn Bogus

**EASTER PRAYER OF
 THANKSGIVING**

Good and gracious heavenly Father,
 we come before you
 on this Easter Sunday
 with full and grateful hearts
 for the gift of
 the Paschal Mystery
 that you showed us
 in the life, death, and resurrection of
 your Son,
 our brother by adoption,
 Jesus Christ.

Bless us and all those who profess
 belief in your saving love.
 Bless also those who have yet to
 profess belief in you.
 You are God for all.
 We ask all this in Christ's name.

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,500.00

March 18 -9:45.....\$1024.90
 -5:00.....\$ 980.56
 Give Central.....\$ 730.00
 (Difference -\$764.54)

(Due to an early bulletin deadline,
 collection totals for March 25 will be
 in next week's bulletin)

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Offerings \$104,045.74
 *Budget \$130,000.00
 Surplus/(Deficit) (-\$25,954.26)

*(\$3,500 a week for 37 weeks.)

If you use an envelope that is not pre
 printed with your name or #, please be
 sure to write the information on it so you
 can receive proper credit.

Contributions can also be made at
givecentral.org Call the parish office with
 any questions or for help with online
 donations.

You can also click on the 'Donate' link
 on our web page
www.holyfamilychicago.org



Rosemary Nyirumbe, SSHJ

Melinda Roper, MM

**DAUGHTERS OF WISDOM:
 WOMEN AND LEADERSHIP IN THE GLOBAL CHURCH**

April 6-8, 2018 • Chicago

Following Pope Francis' establishment of a commission to study the ordination of
 women deacons, this conference addresses—more broadly—women's leadership in
 the Catholic Church, with a special focus on the global South. Speakers from Asia,
 Africa, and Latin America explore topics such as women's use of Scripture,
 the ecclesiological basis for women in Church leadership, and the leadership roles
 that women are already exercising in grassroots church communities, faith-based
 social movements, and theological education.

Rosemary Nyirumbe, SSHJ (Gulu, Uganda)

Director of St. Monica Girls' Tailoring Centre serving victims of the Lord's Resistance Army
 One of TIME's 100 Most Influential People of 2014

Melinda Roper, MM (Darién, Panama)

Past president of the Maryknoll Sisters Congregation
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Calendar

April 1, 2018
 Easter Sunday 9:45 and 5:00 Mass

April 15th 2018 -
 Celebration for all those married at
 Holy Family—9:45 Mass

May 4, 2018—
 Prevent Child Abuse Prayer Service
 and Pinwheel Planting—11:30 AM
 Holy Family Healing Garden

July 15th 2018 -
 Closing of our 160th Anniversary



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

Hattie Miller
Otis Miller
Beatrice Miller
Louise Jones
LD Gause
Katie Gause
Wendell Otis Miller

Cleveland Holden
Elizabeth Holden
Aaron Holden
Barry Holden
Dorothy Holden

In Memory of Williams Family members, including Mom, Dad, Nicky, Tony Grandparents Jane, Mom J. and son Willis Prince Boutue Cephas

Roy Schaffer
Darryl Johnson
Cornell Johnson

Angela Balthazar
Carrie Balthazar
Stella Severin-LaCoor

Ida B. Smith
Frank Summes
Jeannie Dorris
Roy Cisneros
James Sutherland

Tom, Edna, the Walsh and Donelon Families

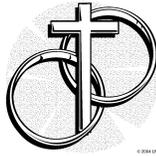
Delgado Family

Patricia Gabriel

Hernandez Family

Thelma Wilson
Joseph Wilson, Sr.
Josephine Wilson
Jerald Wilson
Jay Steven Wilson

In Honor Of:
Josephine Regaldo-Ramirez
Beatrice Cisneros
Lucille Ramirez Aduato
Cecelia Pedroza



160 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

For the past 160 years, Holy Family has been the foundation in faith for the community of believers. People were baptized, received Eucharist, came to be married, and celebrated the lives of loved ones at funerals. As a part of our continued celebration of our 160th Anniversary, Holy Family Parish invites all those who were married in this church to our **9:45 Mass on Sunday, April 15**. Whether you've been married for one year, five years, or fifty years, or if your parents, grandparents, or other family members celebrated the sacrament of Matrimony at Holy Family, please join us for Mass and a reception afterwards. Take time to remember where it all began!

THE WOMEN'S CENTER

SEEKING DONATIONS: We are in need of 4 strollers, 2 double strollers, 5 high chairs, 4 toddler beds and 4 dressers. **We need baby food (in date)**. Also needed are diapers in sizes 5 and 6 only, girls clothes in sizes 2 and 24 months and boys clothes in sizes 6, 7, and 8. These items cannot be picked up unless accompanied by baby furniture. The families who receive these things are grateful for your generosity. For our address where you can deliver these things or if a pick-up by a volunteer is needed, please call 773-794-1313.

St. Ignatius Chicago Rowing 2018 Learn to Row Summer Camp

Who: For boys and girls entering grades 7-11.
No previous rowing experience required.

When: Session 1: July 9-13
Session 2: July 16-20
Session 3: July 23-27

Camp is held Mon-Fri, 2:00PM-4:30PM, rain or shine.

Where: Park 571 Boathouse, 2754 S Eleanor St, Chicago, IL 60608.

Cost: \$125 for one week. Discounts for multiple week registrations.

Email Coach Bryan Cheung to receive registration materials:
bryan.cheung@ignatius.org

EASTER MESSAGE FROM CARDINAL CUPICH

The news today seems to be dominated by death-dealing forces and foreclosed possibilities. This past year has brought us a plague of gun-violence, streams of helpless refugees in different parts of the world, struggles in our own nation around questions of immigration and racism, countless victims of natural disasters, and large numbers of people who are—in the words of Pope Francis—“discarded.” There seems to be scant room for hope and optimism.

Yet, we know by our own experience as believers and our common bonds of faith that this is not the full story of reality. There, indeed, is other news, the good news of our Easter faith. Christ has conquered all death and evil. Christ is risen!

When we profess our faith in the risen Lord, we do not deny the pain and suffering at work in our world. The risen Christ himself bears his wounds of his suffering, but he is risen. He has conquered sin and death, and our victory is certain. We hold a great hope in him who leads forward. But, it does not end there, for as St. Paul tells us, all of that we celebrate in these days has taken place so that we “might live no longer for ourselves but for him who died for our sakes and was raised.”

In the Archdiocese of Chicago, our commitment to Renew My Church means that we take our Easter faith seriously to the point that it becomes the source of new energy for communities and individuals who share our faith with the world and bring it hope the world cannot take away.

May our faith in the Risen Lord be alive in our hearts, and may we share that gift widely and generously with others.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago