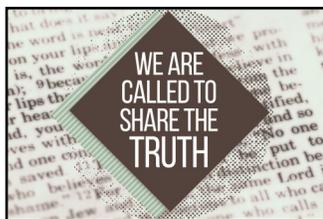
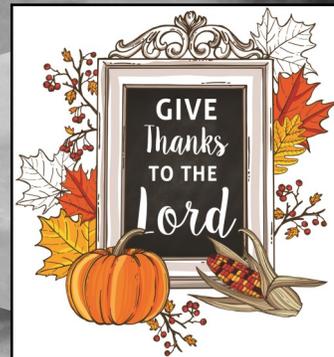


Holy Family

C H U R C H
Our Doors Are Open Wide



Following the election, I ran across some thoughts from an essay published by the U.S. Bishops some six years ago, on "Civil Dialogue", that seems even more timely and urgent today: "Why is it so important that we respect both our constitutional right to free speech and our moral obligation that we not bear false witness

against another? A profoundly basic reason is that we do not live alone. While each of us can claim a unique identity, we are, nonetheless, called to live out our lives in relationship with others - in some form of community. "All human community is rooted in this deep stirring of God's created plan within us that brings us into ever widening circles of relationship: first with our parents, then our family, the Church and a variety of community experiences, educational, economic, cultural, social and, of course, political. *(continued inside)*

WHAT YOU ARE GRATEFUL FOR:

Sometimes it's easier to focus on what we don't have, rather than what we do have. It is important to take time out and remember all the things we should be thankful for, and are maybe taking for granted. Today the altar banner shows the gratitude that the people of Holy Family feel for the blessings in their lives. There is still room for more leaves, so if you'd like to add your thoughts and thanks, please fill out a leaf from the basket so it can be added to the banner.

THANKSGIVING MASS:

Holy Family will celebrate a mass of Thanksgiving on Thursday, Nov. 22 at 9:45. Please join us in expressing gratitude for God's blessings.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE:

The Christmas season is upon us, so does our Holy Family Tradition of reaching out to those in need to help them have a happy and joyful Christmas. Starting today there will be our Giving Tree with ornaments on it. Each ornament holds the name of a teenager wishing mostly for a gift card to Target or Walmart. If you would like to participate in this, select an ornament, and return the card with the ornament or the name of the teenager so that we can make sure they receive it. They need to be returned no later than Dec 10th.

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS REMEMBRANCE MASS:

December marks the 60th anniversary of the Our Lady of the Angels School Fire, in which 92 children and three BVM nuns perished. We will be hosting a Mass of Remembrance on Sunday, Dec. 2, at the 5:00 Mass.

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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.

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

Nov. 18 at 9:45 am

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
Candle Bearers.....Jerrilyn Young, Maria Vega
Lector..... Dawn O'Holleran
Communion Ministers.....Sr. Pat Cummings, Pervis Balthzar, Eric Niamba, Rita Gardner, Taylor Yemm, Steve Yemm
Greeter.....Nora Jackson

Nov. 18 at 5 pm

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
Lector.....Anne and Steve Hasselbeck

Nov. 25 at 9:45 am

Presider....Rev. Michael Gabriel
Candle Bearers....Jerrilyn Young, Cynthia Holden, Maria Vega
Lector.....Odell Gordon
Eucharistic Ministers.....John King, Jacque Hale, Sr. Emelyn Malecki, Joyce Addo, Josephine Aguilar, Vernon Lam
Greeter.....Nora Jackson

Nov. 25 at 5 pm

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
Eucharistic Minister.....
Lector.....Anne and Steve Hasselbeck

November Ushers:

West Side.....John Blyth
Center West...Mike McIntyre
Center East...Joyce Addo
East Side.....Paul Canino

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH WEBSITE

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 names of people for the prayer list, to

marina@holyfamilychicago.org

Announcements are due by Monday at noon.

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Sr. Mary Angela Buser, BVM, Michael Rosario Costa, The Gibson Family, Spencer Hooper, Madelynn Jacobs, Ella Johnson, Leteece Lee, Sr. Mary Ellen Mackey, BVM, Raymond Milton, Sr. Mary Therese Simon BVM, Denise Summers, Sam Tripp



Living and Deceased Members of the National Catholic Society of Foresters

2018 Catholic Appeal Rebate

The Parish Goal for the 2018 Catholic Appeal was \$9,407.85. As of Sept, 30, Holy Family had paid \$11,310.65. Therefore, the parish received a rebate of \$1902.80. Thank you as always for your generosity.



THANKS FOR YOUR HELP

A big thank you goes out to the Holy Family Parish family and friends for your help in collecting crew socks for the homeless. Your efforts brought in about 1,500 pairs of socks. This is the greatest number we have collected in several years. The Knights of St. Peter Claver sorted, packed, and delivered the socks to the Night Ministry's headquarters on November 8th. The Night Ministry serves the homeless youth of our city through vans and buses that go out on the streets at night to minister to their needs, physical and emotional. Thanks to all who helped.

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,200.00

Nov. 4	9:45.....\$1760.35
	5:00.....\$315.36
	Give Central.....\$625.00
	(Difference -\$499.29)
Nov. 11	9:45.....\$1472.47
	5:00.....\$ 455.00
	Give Central.....\$1185
	(Difference - \$ 87.53)

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Offerings.....	\$59,470.00
Budget.....	\$64,000.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(-\$4530.00)

*(\$3,200 a week for 20 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 Thank you for your support.

Calendar



Sunday, Nov. 18

Hospitality Sunday

Sunday, Dec. 2 5:00

Mass of Remembrance

Our Lady of the Angels Fire 60th Anniversary



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We are by nature social and tend to come together so that in the various communities of which we are a part, we can experience full human development. All of this is part of God's plan initiated in creation and reflected in the natural law that calls us to live in community. "What does this have to do with toning down our rhetoric? .

Everything! No community, human or divine, political or religious, can exist without trust. At the very core of all human relations is the confidence that members speak the truth to each other. It is for this reason that God explicitly protected the bonds of community by prohibiting falsehood as a grave attack on the human spirit. "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor" (Ex 20:16). To tamper with the truth or, worse yet, to pervert it, is to undermine the foundations of human community and to begin to cut the threads that weave us into a coherent human family. "The call to truthfulness is far from being a denial of freedom of speech. Rather, it is a God-given obligation to respect the very function of human speech. We are not free to say whatever we want about another, but only what is true. To the extent that freedom is improperly used to sever the bonds of trust that bind us together as a people, to that extent it is irresponsible. The commandment that obliges us to avoid false witness also calls us to tell the truth. We, therefore, have an obligation to ascertain that what we say or hear or read is really the truth.



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Please be generous in this week's second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in seven people lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25 percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/ collection.

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We need to look at how we engage in discourse and how we live out our commitment to be a people of profound respect for the truth and our right to express our thoughts, opinions, positions -- always in love. We who follow Christ must not only speak the truth but must do so in love (Eph 4:15). It is not enough that we know or believe something to be true.

We must express that truth in charity with respect for others so so that the bonds between us can be strengthened in building up the body of Christ. Freedom of speech and respect for others, freedom of expression and regard for the truth, should always be woven together. This should be true of everyone, whether they speak from a pulpit, a political platform, or through the electronic and print media and other means of social communications." *Fr Mike*

Renew My Church: A Call to Humility, Trust, Hope and Charity

As our Grouping Team continues the strenuous task of prayerfully discerning and thoughtfully discussing the strengths and weaknesses of the various scenarios presented a few weeks ago, we would do well to keep a few scriptural passages in mind: "Then an argument broke out among them about which of them should be regarded as the greatest. He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them and those in authority over them are addressed as 'Benefactors'; but among you it shall not be so. Rather, let the greatest among you be as the youngest, and the leader as the servant. For who is greater: the one seated at table or the one who serves? Is it not the one seated at table? I am among you as the one who serves. (Luke 22: 23-27) I encourage all of us to meditate on this passage and its impact for our own lives and, in a special way, our thoughts as to what might be best for the future of our parish and our place in the renewal of the Church for the entire Chicagoland area. We are called to serve one another. The Renew My Church prayer that we shared at the beginning of this process and that is prayed by our Grouping Team at every meeting offers these intentions:

Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us, and so enable us to hear you clearly to listen to each other attentively to imagine our future boldly to discern your direction wisely to persevere in your holy will courageously to stay together in charity to surrender our own plans readily to embrace the greater good to hand on your gifts to future generations. Let us continue to make these intentions our own as a daily expression of our love for and hope in Jesus Christ, His Church and our entire Archdiocesan faith community.