

March 11, 2018 • Fourth Sunday of Lent

# Holy Family

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## Parish

Next Saturday is St. Patrick's Day. I am often asked why Chicago, like some other big cities as well as small towns, really goes out of their way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. I like to think that first is the life and service of St. Patrick, The second is a phrase from one of the Prefaces of Lent. Often overlooked in the life of St. Patrick is that he was kidnapped as a teen. This British youth spent six years as a slave in Ireland until he was able to escape returning to his homeland with great difficulty. Then he comes back to Ireland, arriving not as a shepherd slave, but as a Bishop of the Church. It is impossible to know the many ways in which his time as a slave would impact his ministry as a preacher of the Gospel in pagan lands. We do know that it left him as a staunch opponent of slavery of any kind, centuries before slavery would be officially condemned by the Church. We can assume that his time as a slave gave him a knowledge of the land, the language and the people of Ireland that he would not have had otherwise. From that perspective, Patrick was uniquely suited to evangelize Ireland, much more so than any other churchman who had never set foot on her shores. We are told that it was after his enslavement and escape to freedom that Patrick truly embraced the Catholic faith. Here again, we can only guess at the ways in which his experience of bondage led him to become a wholehearted servant of Christ. Having been set free, he clearly judged that the best way to use that freedom was in the service of the Gospel.

This brings us to our second point, a phrase from the second Preface of Lent: "freed from disordered affections". When we have "affection", desire, or want for things of this world, over and above all other things (especially God!) this "affection" is truly "disordered". And as long as our choices in our daily lives are driven by these affections, these attachments, we are not free. We are not free to choose, we are not free to love, we are not free to serve. We are enslaved. The point I would make that there are different kinds of bondage. Certainly slavery as St. Patrick and countless others experienced it is a grave and inexcusable evil. But oftentimes the things that limit our freedom come not from without, but from within. We are praying for freedom from these affections, as a gift and a result of our Lenten observances.

What are your "disordered affections"?

Please join me in welcoming Robert Phillips who will be joining the Holy Family staff as Administrative Assistant. He starts tomorrow, March 12. A few of you have met Robert working with the Food Pantry and Food Rescue. We are delighted to welcome Robert.

**March for Our Lives is March 24th.** On **March 24**, the kids and families of March For Our Lives will take to the streets of Washington DC to demand that their lives and safety become a priority and that we end gun violence and mass shootings in our schools today. There will also be a march in Chicago on the same day, **March 24**. **If you are interested walking as a group at the march in Chicago, please sign up after mass.**

*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.



**March 11 at 9:45 am**

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel  
Candle Bearers....Jerrilyn Young and  
Cynthia Holden  
Lector.....Alexandra Wilson,  
LaShonya Wilson  
Communion Ministers.....  
Vernon Lam, Debbie Gausselein, Dawn  
O'Holleran, Easter Booker, Sr. Pat  
Cummings, Joyce Addo  
Altar Servers.....Xavier Rios and  
Daveion Hightee  
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

**March 11 at 5 pm**

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

**March 18 at 9:45 am**

Presider....Rev. Michael Gabriel  
Candle Bearers....Betty Ferguson  
and Donna Raclaw  
Lector.....Sabrina Cajandig  
Communion Ministers...  
Megan Schulenburg, Taylor Yim,  
Steve Yim, Amare Wilson, Josephine  
Aguilar, Jacque Hale  
Altar Servers.....Alexandria and  
Amanda Wilson  
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

**March 18 at 5 pm**

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel  
Eucharistic Minister.....  
Lector.....Amanda Seddon

**March Ushers:**

Eastside..... Ray Walsh  
East Center.....Cheryl Bowie  
Westside.....Cynthia Holden  
West Center.....Vernon Lam

**HOLY FAMILY CHURCH WEBSITE**  
[www.holyfamilychicago.org](http://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](mailto:marina@holyfamilychicago.org)  
Announcements are due by  
Monday at noon.

*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

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

We might think of candles and light more during the Advent season than during Lent, due to Advent wreaths, candles in windows, and the light of a star. But the real focus on light, as seen in this week's Gospel, is during Lent, when we prepare for Easter and Jesus' triumphant rising from the dead. It is in this game-changing event that the light of Christ destroys the power of darkness.

If you have never been to an Easter Vigil, why not plan on attending this year? The theme of light is so prevalent, with processional candles everywhere and the new Paschal candle being lit for the first time. The candle is then plunged into the baptismal font before it is used for sacraments, breaking into the darkness of our sin. Through these waters, men and women will be washed clean and the darkness they were born into will exist no more. Their blindness of original sin will be healed and they will not only be able to see, they will be new creations in Christ. This Lent, before it is all over, spend time in prayer and use a candle to focus. Reflect on your life and determine what areas you need the light of Christ to shine. Then when Easter comes, know that the One who is the light is shining brighter than ever so that that you may be in darkness no more.

-Tracy Earl Welliver

**Sunday Collection**

Goal: \$3,500.00

Feb. 25	-9:45 ....\$1553.00
	-5:00.....\$813.21
Give Central	\$465.00
	(Difference -\$668.79)
March 4	-9:45.....\$1555.40
	-5:00.....\$688.00
Give Central	\$445.00
	(Difference -\$830.91 )

**FISCAL YEAR TO DATE**

Offerings	\$ 97,700.33
*Budget	<u>\$123,000.00</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	(-25,299.67))

\*((\$3,500 a week for 35 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](http://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](http://www.holyfamilychicago.org)

Thank you for your support.

**Calendar**

**March 10, 2018**  
**7:30 pm**  
Apollo Chorus

**March 18, 2018**  
Living Stations after 9:45 Mass

**March 25, 2018**  
Palm Sunday

**March 29, 2018**  
Holy Thursday—7:00 mass

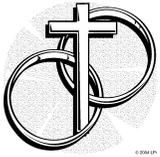
**March 30, 2018**  
Living Stations—3:00  
Good Friday—7:00 Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

**March 31, 2018**  
Easter Vigil Mass—7:00

**April 1, 2018**  
Easter Sunday  
**April 15<sup>th</sup> 2018** -  
Celebration for all those married at Holy Family

**July 15<sup>th</sup> 2018** -  
Closing of our 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary





## 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!



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The Archdiocese of Chicago is Proud to Host Father James Martin, SJ

### ENCOUNTERING JESUS

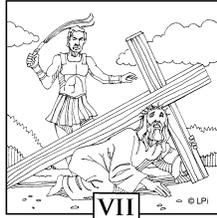
Meeting the Christ of Faith and the Jesus of History  
Thursday, March 22, 7 p.m.

### SEVEN LAST WORDS

An Invitation to a Deeper Friendship with Jesus  
Friday, March 23, 7 p.m.

Holy Name Cathedral  
730 North Wabash Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60611

Join us for two evenings of thoughtful reflection, dialogue, and prayer. For more information and to register for these events, please visit [pvm.archchicago.org/events/father-james-martin](http://pvm.archchicago.org/events/father-james-martin).



## Living Stations of the Cross on Sunday, March 18th

Please join us as our parish's youth Confirmation students lead us into the heart of Jesus' passion with the **Living Stations of the Cross on Sunday, March 18th following 9:45 AM Mass**. Come and experience the fourteen stations of the cross and contemplate Jesus's sacrificial actions and the ways he continued to touch the hearts of others even as he was being led to his death on the cross. The Confirmation students will also present the Living Stations of the Cross on **Good Friday, March 30th, at 3PM**.



### Sunday, March 25 Palm Sunday

9:45 a.m. Solemn Procession of Palms and Mass  
5:00 Distribution of Palms and Mass

### March 29—Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Liturgy of Our Lord's Last Supper  
The Church will remain open until Midnight

### March 30—Good Friday

1:00—2:30 Confessions  
3:00 p.m. Living Stations of the Cross  
7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

### March 31—Holy Saturday

2:00 p.m. Blessing of Food Baskets  
7:00 p.m. The Vigil of Our Lord's Resurrection

### April 1—Easter Sunday

9:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.  
Celebration of Our Lord's Resurrection



## Amate House, a young adult volunteer program for the Archdiocese

of Chicago, is seeking new members for its Board of Directors.

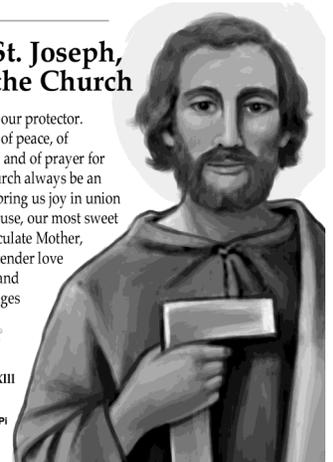
Amate House Volunteers devote at least one year to serving the poor of Chicago. These young adults move to Chicago from all over the country to live together in community and volunteer full-time in innercity schools, low-income health clinics, legal aid centers, parishes, and food pantries in the city's most under-resourced communities. Amate House Volunteers also participate in a spiritual formation program that explores the link between Christian faith and service. Amate House is now in its 34th year of operation and the Board is seeking mission-driven men and women to serve as Board Members. To inquire about Board membership, please contact Kristin Heath, Governance Committee Chair at [kristinleeheath@gmail.com](mailto:kristinleeheath@gmail.com) or 773.288.9807. To learn more about Amate House's programming, visit our website at [www.amatehouse.org](http://www.amatehouse.org).

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## Prayer to St. Joseph, Patron of the Church

St. Joseph! Always be our protector. May your inner spirit of peace, of silence, of good work, and of prayer for the cause of Holy Church always be an inspiration to us and bring us joy in union with your blessed spouse, our most sweet and gentle and Immaculate Mother, and in the strong yet tender love of Jesus, the glorious and immortal King of all ages and peoples. Amen

—Pope St. John XXIII



Feast Day March 19