

May 6, 2018 • Sixth Sunday of Easter

Holy Family

1080 W. Roosevelt
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Parish

Dear Friends,

The Church teaches us: "The sacraments of Christian initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist - lay the foundations of every Christian life. That we are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life."



Today we joyfully celebrate the First Communion of 23 young women and men. Our communicants are all dressed up in their finery for this joyous event. First Communion is indeed a cause for celebration and should be memorable as a holy and special day of being welcomed to the table of the Lord. It really can be a challenge to keep focused on the meaning of First Communion, with all the trappings of clothing and parties. I once heard a speaker say, if a child's First Communion is their best Communion, then we have failed. It may a child's first communion, but don't forget they will be receiving the

sacrament every time they gather at the table of the Lord. I think back to an analogy of growing up, when there was the kid's table and the big peoples table during the holidays. When we finally got to move up to the big table, we didn't get dressed up and no fuss was made of it. All of us I hope remember that each time we receive the sacrament of Eucharist it is significant. Parents, I pray that you bring your children often to the table, to experience the sacrifice and love of God in their reception of the Body and Blood of Christ. Nothing could top that.

Next Sunday, we will have our parish May Crowning. During the month of May, we honor the Virgin Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth. We will begin next Sunday's mass with a procession of our First Communicants and the women of the parish to our Blessed Virgin Mary altar, where we will present flowers and place a crown on our Mary statue. (Feel free to bring flowers, plants etc to honor our Blessed Mother).

Also next Sunday, there will be a collection for Catholic Charities. This organization brings Christ's love and mercy to those who need it most, by assisting with food, finding housing, and job placement. Our support will help them continue their mission to make lives better for so many people.

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.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

May 6 at 9:45 am

Presider..... Rev. Michael Gabriel
Candle Bearers.....Jane Justic
Lector.....LaShonya Wilson
Alexandria Wilson
Communion Ministers.....
Sister Sheila O'Brien,
Pervis Balthazar, Eric Niamba,
Jacque Hale, Jim Bruton,
Bob Johnson
Altar Servers..... Javadia and Alaric
Rylon
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

May 6 at 5 pm

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

May 13 at 9:45 am

Presider....Rev. Michael Gabriel
Candle Bearers....Maria Vega and
Kellee Athens
Lector.....Erin Shields
Communion Ministers...
Sister Sheila O'Brien,
Pervis Balthazar, Eric Niamba,
Jacque Hale, Jim Bruton,
Bob Johnson
Altar Servers..... Daveion Hightee
and Xavier Rios
Greeter.....Christine Pugh

May 13 at 5 pm

Presider.....Rev. Michael Gabriel
Eucharistic Minister.....
Lector.....Alison Conlon

May Ushers:

Eastside.....Paul Canino
East Center.....Joyce Addu
Westside.....Mike McIntyre
West Center.....John Blythe

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

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Sr. Mary Angela Buser, BVM,
Mary Breslin
Michael Rosario Costa,
Madelynn Jacobs,
Denise Summers, Sam Tripp



Michael Crosse



This Sunday, we joyfully welcome the
following children of our parish to
the Eucharistic table for the first time:

- Jocelyn Acosta
- Caroline Maria Alvarez
- Emily Ana Casarez
- Layla Dominguez-Solis
- Mario Dominguez-Solis
- Christopher Duenez Tamayo
- Jesus Alfredo Federico
- Jazlyn Alize Federico
- Sergio Ivan Federico
- Alyssa Faith Glass
- Jonathan Michael Glass
- Angel Gutierrez
- Mariana Gutierrez
- Niko Alexander Guzman
- Bella Mia Jackson
- Kevin James Jackson
- Emilio Martinez
- Valeria Murillo
- Crystal Aliyah Rangel
- Alexander Sanchez Y Madrid Alcantar
- Christopher Sanchez
- Giovanni Sanchez
- Ruby Sanchez

**Observances for the Week of
May 6, 2018**

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter
Tuesday: National Teacher Day
Thursday:
Saturday: Sts. Nereus and
Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras,
Martyr
Next Sunday: Ascension Sunday;
World Communications Day;
Mother's Day

Sunday Collection

Goal: \$3,500.00

April 22	-9:45.....\$1334.22
	-5:00..... \$1580.43
Give Central.....	\$470.00
	(Difference—\$115.35)
April 29	-9:45.....\$1761.10
	-5:00.....\$571.00
Give Central.....	\$365.00
	(Difference-\$802.90)

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Offerings	\$124,371.55
*Budget	<u>\$151,000.00</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	(-\$26,628.45)

*((\$3,500 a week for 42 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



Calendar

May 6, 2018—First Communion
9:45 mass

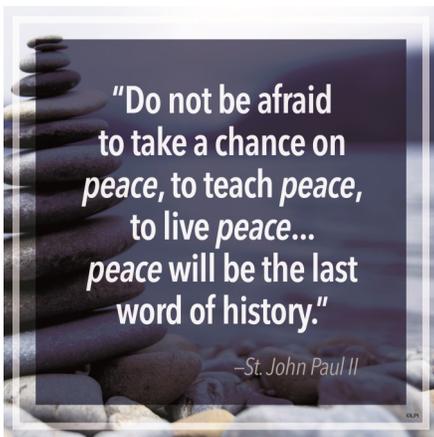
May 13, 2018—
May Crowning
9:45 Mass

July 15th 2018 -
Closing of our 160th Anniversary



**FOUR WINDS
CASINO TRIP
MAY 26, 2018**

Four Winds Casino
New Buffalo, Michigan
Date: May 26, 2018
Cost: \$35—Trip includes seat on
Luxury Travel Bus, \$10.00 towards
lunch, \$15.00 instant slot voucher
Bus will leave Holy Family promptly
at 7:30 AM
Will depart from casino at 2:30 PM
All profits go to Holy Family
For more info, contact Jerri at
708-895-6246



Hospice Volunteer Opportunities

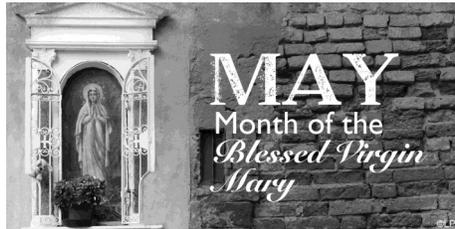
Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care serves nine counties in the Chicago-land area and the Fox Valley region of Illinois. Volunteers participate in a wide variety of activities from patient care, pet therapy and more. For more information, contact Daisy Vargas at 847-653-3223 or DVargas@RainbowHospice.org or apply on our website.

Positions Open:

- Patient Care Friendly Visitors – 4 hrs/wk in your neighborhood!
- Pet Therapy Volunteers - 4 hrs/wk in your neighborhood
- Massage Therapy Volunteer – 4 hrs/wk in your neighborhood!
- Greeter/Receptionist in Mt. Prospect – 4 to 8 hours/wk in our Mt. Prospect office
- Sewing – work with bereaved to make memory bears once or twice a year.

**160 Years of Marriage
Photo Album**

Holy Family Church would like to start a wedding photo album on our web page. If you would like to be included, please submit a current picture, or a picture from your actual wedding, or pictures of the weddings of family members. Please sent to info@holyfamilychicago.org



Next Sunday, May 13 we will honor our Blessed Mother with a procession and May Crowning. If you would like to honor Mary with your own flowers, they will be placed on her altar, in remembrance of our mothers and all those who have mothered us.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES
45TH ANNUAL SENIOR UNITY
MASS—JUNE 14**

Monsignor Michael Boland invites all senior citizens to Catholic Charities 45th annual Senior Unity Mass on Thursday, June 14 at 10 A.M. A social gathering, information fair, and free hot luncheon will be held immediately following the service. The Senior Unity Mass will be held for the first time at the historic Sisters of St. Casimir Motherhouse, 2601 W. Marquette Road in Chicago. Free parking is available for cars and buses; carpooling is recommended. Reservation is required, space is limited. For reservations, contact 312-655-7425 or keenager@catholiccharities.net



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Mother's Day is a day we honor and remember the special women in our lives who have nurtured, loved and shaped us into the people we are today. It is through their unconditional love that we begin to understand the depth of Christ's love for us, and his command to share that love with one another.

On Mother's Day, each of us will have the opportunity to share Christ's unconditional love with the poor and vulnerable through our gift to the Catholic Charities Mother's Day collection. Catholic Charities counts on our volunteer and financial support to offer comprehensive programs that get to the root cause of suffering, address multiple needs, and help people rebuild their lives for the better.

Pope Francis has used a powerful image of the Church as "field hospitals". During war, field hospitals are situated close to the battle-grounds, close to the wounded who need help. Similarly, Catholic Charities 150 service locations are in neighborhoods that sadly have become like battlegrounds. They have become safe havens, offering a hot meal, a bag of food, a place to live, the care of a child or elderly relative, counseling and job training. Catholic Charities brings Christ's love and mercy to the people and places that need it most.

Please accept my sincere gratitude for support of the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection. Contributions can be made during the second collection on Mother's Day, anytime at www.catholiccharities.net or mail your gift to Catholic Charities, 721 N LaSalle, Chicago, IL 60654. May God bless you and those you love this Mother's Day and always.

Cardinal Blase Cupich