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The Sower and the Seed

About Us

Holy Family

Catholic Community

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Fr. Terry Keehan

Pastor

Deacon Dennis Brown

Pastoral Associate

Fr. Medard Laz

Pastor Emeritus

Vision Statement

Holy Family

Catholic Community

invites all to new life in Christ. Our response to God's call is evident through full, conscious and active participation in our community.

Mission Statement

To empower all to experience and share the loving presence of God through sacramental living, transformative worship, lifelong spiritual growth, and community in service to others.

Core Values

Animated by our faith in God to evangelize, we live the following core values:

- Integrity
- Excellence
- Unity
- Service
- Justice

Welcome to Holy Family

Holy Family Catholic community invites all to new life in Christ. Are you new to Holy Family? Are you considering becoming a registered parishioner? We welcome you to become part of our holy family in carrying out our mission. Registration forms are available in the parish office or contact Sue Geegan at sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org. Saint Paul says, "We are the Body of Christ." We look forward to experiencing that reality with you.

Fr. Terry Keehan, Pastor

Schedule

Masses

Weekdays:

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.

Monday 7:00 p.m.

First Friday of the month 9:00 a.m.

(with Anointing of the Sick)

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m. (interpreted for the hearing impaired); 11:00 a.m.; 4:00 p.m.

Kid Church - 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 10:15 in the chapel.

Holy Days Varies; watch bulletin

Assisted Listening Devices available in the Liturgical Arts Office for use at Masses.

Eucharistic Adoration

Everyday 6:00 a.m. to Midnight

Reconciliation (Available upon request)

Communal Reconciliation with individual absolution:

First Saturday of the month at 4:00 p.m. (in chapel)

Individual Reconciliation (in Reconciliation Room):

Mondays from 6:00 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick

Please know that recent hospital privacy laws have significantly limited our knowledge of parishioners who are hospitalized. If you have a loved one who is ill, please contact contact Mimi Ferlita in our Pastoral Care office at 847-907-3425 to request the Anointing of the Sick. The ideal time for anointing is when family is present and not necessarily in the final hours of life. Monthly Anointing of the Sick takes place on the First Friday of the month at 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Visiting Presiders

Fr. Charles Bolser

Friar Johnpaul Cafiero

Fr. Denis Carneiro

Fr. Bill Zavaski

Pastoral Council

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Mike Myers	Chair – Community Building
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Pete Barber	Stewardship
Luis Gutierrez	Charity, Justice & Pastoral Care
Bob Keller	Worship
Greg Flanagan	Knights of Columbus
Rick Zanardo	Sacramental Theology & Practice
Fr. Terry Keehan	Pastor (Staff)
Sue Geegan	Staff

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Chad Archer Deanery Rep

Mike Pazur Academy Parents Rep

Joan Sloan Teen Faith (Adult Rep)

Vince Perrone Teen Faith (Teen Rep)

Kasia Meler Teen Faith (Teen Rep)

Council meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend and listen to the items on the published agenda. If you or your group have an item for discussion, it needs to be submitted in writing to the council chair one week prior to the scheduled meeting. Council meeting minutes can be found on the website.

Finance Council

The Finance Council of Holy Family meets quarterly and its current members are:

Tim French	Elia Ponce-Tokarz
Patrick Geegan	Jim Vande Logt
Randy Olech	Chet Zara - Chair
Ron Sobon	

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Fr. Terry Keehan

Scripture is the inspired word of God. It is the library containing books, containing stories, containing several literary forms of the written word that have moved our hearts and souls for years, and many that we may not even understand. One of the best images for the word of God is given to us in scripture in the Parable of the Sower from Matthew 13:1-23, which we hear proclaimed at Mass this weekend. Jesus compares God's word as seed thrown by a sower, landing in various forms of soil with four different levels of fruitfulness.

Our first reading from Isaiah 55:10-11 sets the tone and speaks of God's word as snow and rain coming down from heaven, watering the earth and making it fruitful.

On one level we might not need anything else than these two images to appreciate this story of God. But so many have contemplated and prayed with this story, written through the centuries by various authors to varying audiences with different points to emphasize and tell a lot, but ultimately only part, of the magnificence that is God and the incarnate part of God that is Jesus Christ.

The two scripture readings that we hear this weekend can inspire us to learn more about scripture, and I would like to suggest a few resources to help us do just that. Particularly as Catholics, we acknowledge that there are many different approaches to scripture and countless ways to experience it, so may I suggest familiarizing yourself (or further studying) the following:

First of all, the book/library itself. The New American edition of the bible contains a thorough introduction of the basis of scripture in our faith and a solid background for why we believe scripture is so important and its fundamental role in God's revelation and in the life of the church. This introduction is a brief example of the extensive study of scripture done by Catholics and the Catholic Church, and points out that all significant beliefs and rituals of our church are rooted in scripture. Most Catholics don't know that and certainly non-Catholics often hold that we don't know or embrace the bible; and most Catholics can't explain this when interrogated or questioned by non-Catholics.

I always say that we Catholics know scripture in a different way. We don't have chapters

and verses memorized, but we know the stories. We may not know exactly where to find a story, but we often can tell it and, more importantly, we know the point or moral. We are not always aware of the scriptural groundings of our teachings and our liturgies. As we read these two passages of scripture this weekend, we have an opportunity to learn about the fundamental role that scripture plays in our faith.

Second, Fr. Kevin O'Brien, S.J., who published the *On Faith* blog for *Mission and Ministry* on April 2, 2014 entitled, "Why Catholics see the Bible Differently than Protestants." In it he points out that for us Catholics, the sacraments, which are biblically rooted, are a path to holiness, distinct but not removed from the reading of scripture. The classic Protestant/Catholic divide is between ritual and scripture. As one of my professors in the seminary said, "At the time of the Reformation, the Catholics took the rituals and the Protestants took the word and the two haven't come together since." I really believe that is changing.

Third, "Understanding the Bible" by Mary Elizabeth Sperry, on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website. In it she points out that today's Catholic is called to take an intelligent, spiritual approach to the bible. I simply remind you not to be intimidated by others who quiz you about scripture or ask you to point out where certain aspects of our faith are located in the bible. With some simple research you may find out scriptural answers to such inquiries, but as Catholics we believe that scripture is not the sole source of all truths. Some come from the Church's wisdom in working in collaboration with the evolving world.

Last but certainly not least, Fr. James Martin, S.J. wrote an article that appeared in *America Magazine* in the December 5, 2015 edition entitled, "How Does a Catholic Read the Bible?" Please take time to read the entire article. In it he quotes another Jesuit, Daniel J. Harrington, who taught Martin at Boston College. Harrington says, "Christianity is the religion of God understood and experienced as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Bible, or Holy Scripture, the book, both created and was created by the Church." I find that statement invites a lot of reflection—just like scripture itself.

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*God of justice,
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without exception.
Through your goodness, open our eyes to see the dignity,
beauty, and worth of every human being.
Open our minds to understand that all your children are
brothers and sisters in the same human family.
Open our hearts to repent of racist attitudes, behaviors, and
speech which demean others.
Open our ears to hear the cries of those wounded by
racial discrimination, and their passionate appeals for
change.
Strengthen our resolve to make amends for past injustices
and to right the wrongs of history.
And fill us with courage that we might seek to heal wounds,
build bridges, forgive and be forgiven, and establish peace
and equality for all our communities.
In Jesus' name, we pray.
Amen.*

Preparing for Next Week...

We invite you to read the scripture readings for July 19,
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, and then reflect on these questions:

1. In Wisdom, the author says: "you show your might when the perfection of your power is disbelieved." How can you show strength when doubted?
2. In Romans we hear: "we do not know how to pray as we ought." Are you comfortable with the way you pray?
3. What good can come from having the weeds grow together with the wheat?
4. Like the mustard seed, what in your life started small and became big and beautiful?
5. Through these parables, we can see in humanity both good and evil. How do we use this knowledge to keep good in our hearts and evil out?

SOCIAL JUSTICE QUESTION

These parables speak of God's inclusive nature because God's Kingdom is open to all whether you are rich, poor, a sinner or a saint. How do these parables speak to your inclusivity, especially to the poor and disenfranchised?

Liturgical Arts

Mass Intentions

Please be assured that our priests will include these intentions in their daily prayers while Masses are suspended. Please include them in your daily prayers as well.

Monday, July 13

Kent Lyons (Pastoral Care)

Tuesday, July 14

Holy Family Faith Community

Wednesday, July 15

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Thursday, July 16

Dr. Daniel Nwankwo (Family)

Friday, July 17

Holy Family Faith Community

Saturday, July 18

Czeslaw Adamczyk (Family)
Arlene Urban (Family)

Sunday, July 19

Barbara Lee Offenburger (Pastoral Care)
Frank & Amy Sesko (Sesko Family)
John Brenner (Carol Brenner)
Neil McManus (Friend)

Mass intentions are available
by contacting the Parish Office



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- + Barbara Antos
- + Joseph Chlebek
- + Peggy Norris
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"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. John 11:25"

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Patricia Wilkie
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Capt. Nick Lewis-Walls (Army)

Weekly Readings

Sunday, July 12

Isaiah 55:10-11
Romans 8:18-23
Matthew 13:1-23

Monday, July 13

Isaiah 1:10-17
Matthew 10:34—11:1

Tuesday, July 14

Isaiah 7:1-9
Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 15

Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16
Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday, July 16

Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19
Matthew 11:28-30

Friday, July 17

Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8
Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday, July 18

Micah 2:1-5
Matthew 12:14-21

Sunday, July 19

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
Romans 8:26-27
Matthew 13:24-43

Parish Support & Services

Holy Family's Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020

Weekly Attendance and Collection - Last 4 Weeks

	June 14	0	\$	38,488
	June 21	113	\$	35,325
	June 28	209	\$	24,837
End of the fiscal year	June 30	-	\$	19,950

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Note: Collections vary week to week primarily based on the timing of electronic contributions

Year to Date Collection Summary

Through June 30, 2020

	Actual	Budget	Delta to Budget
Sunday & Electronic Collections	\$ 2,020,483	\$ 2,004,000	\$ 16,483
Christmas	\$ 205,156	\$ 215,000	\$ (9,844)
Easter	\$ 121,904	\$ 125,000	\$ (3,096)
Major Collections Totals	\$ 2,347,543	\$ 2,344,000	\$ 3,543
Prior Week Totals	\$ 2,327,593	\$ 2,338,533	\$ (10,940)

Note: Parish fiscal year is July 1 to June 30

The Parish Support & Services Community... oversees the parish business and infrastructure activities to ensure they operate efficiently.

Envelope Users: Please either mail your weekly collection envelopes to Holy Family at 2515 Palatine Road, Inverness, IL 60067, or you can drop in the mail slot by Door 1. Consider making an electronic contribution at holymfamilyparish.org/online-give-options/



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Beloved Retreat

We are excited to be offering our 5th Holy Family Beloved Retreat on the weekend of **November 6-8, 2020**. This is a powerful lay led weekend that is open to ALL. It is an immersion in God's love and a reminder that we weren't just baptized in the past...we ARE baptized now! Let's live it! The retreat will take place on the beautiful campus of University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein. The cost will be \$195 and the rewards will be priceless. For more information, contact Mary Whiteside at mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org. Registration will begin in August.



"Tune in with Terry"

Fr. Terry is offering 40 minute sessions on Zoom including 20 minute reflections on current topics, and 20 minutes of discussion time with a small group every other week. Sessions are available on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday evenings (note change of day – originally hosted on Thursdays) and each session is limited to 25 people. Please watch your weekly email blast from Fr. Terry for upcoming topics and register to receive your Zoom link by contacting Mary Whiteside at mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org. Stay connected!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Becoming Catholic

Most of our RCIA Candidates and Elect from 2019-20 are still waiting patiently for the moment they can complete their sacraments. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they reflect on our year of growing in faith.

We congratulate Kyle Freeman who received special permission from the Archdiocese, prior to his move to Canada, be confirmed while our building was still closed down due to COVID-19. Kyle's fiancé was able to join us for this very special Confirmation ceremony via Facetime! Modern technology sure brings people together in new ways!



If you are interested in learning about RCIA for the upcoming year, please contact Mary Whiteside at mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org.

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Prayerfully reflecting on the day



*“Keep your eyes open for God, watch for His works,
be alert for signs of the Lord’s presence.”* Psalm 105:4

When we learn to pay more attention to God, we become more certain of God’s love for us. We learn to feel God’s presence. We become more thankful, more reverent, and more deeply in love with our Creator.

Fr. Dennis Hamm, SJ, calls praying St. Ignatius’ *Examen* “rummaging for God”. He likens it to “going through a drawer full of stuff, feeling around, looking for something that you are sure must be there.” That is a wonderful description of what it is like to pray the Daily Examen. We look back on the day, rummaging through the “stuff” of our lives, finding in it God’s presence.



St. Ignatius’ Examen has five (5) basic steps all ages can master.

1. Become aware of the presence of God.

Say: “God, I believe that at this moment, I am in Your presence and You love me. I acknowledge Your love for me/us in the various gifts you have given me this day, for which I am very grateful.” **Come Holy Spirit**

Make the sign of the cross

Prayer Tip: When praying with young children, they may find it helpful to hear some of the responses shared aloud. This is a simple way parents can share their faith with their children and encourage their children to share their faith with others. Teens and adults may find it helpful to use a journal.

2. Review the day with gratitude

Say: “God help me now to review the events of this day in order to recognize you in all the parts of my life.”

**Pause and choose one moment/encounter of the day that stood out to you.
Lord I/we want to see you.**

3. Acknowledge any regrets you have over missed opportunities from this day.

Say: “God, please forgive the times I have fallen short, and strengthen my attempts to follow You.

**Pause and call to mind one thing from today you would have done/said differently.
Lord have mercy.**

4. Pay attention to your emotions

Say: “You have given all to me. To you, Lord, I return it.”

**Pause to call to mind a few words that capture how you are feeling in this moment.
Take Lord receive, all I have is Yours.**

5. Look toward tomorrow

Say: “God enlighten me so that my future choices praise and serve You above all else.”

Show me Your way Conclude with an Our Father

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The Lamberta family has been members of Holy Family for many years. Michael, a graduate of St. Viator, is an ER physician in Brooklyn, NY. He has documented a few of his experiences during the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus and elicited comments from his colleagues as they dedicate themselves to the care of patients affected by this virus. I only have room to share excerpts of his letter, however, I have permission to share this in its entirety. Simply request the full document by emailing me at sgeegan@holymfamilyparish.org. It is a pleasure to share Michael's letter with you. As his mother, Laurabeth, stated: "(He) sent (this letter) in early April, sharing the challenges on the Frontline at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn. He has always been very committed from his heart, to serving." This letter reveals a man putting his faith into action in solidarity with humanity.

"As I have been overwhelmed by an outpouring of concern and support the last couple of weeks, I finally had some time to put my thoughts to words. To begin, I'd like to thank everyone for the thoughts and prayers that have come in my direction, and want to reassure you that I am well and continue to feel very fortunate to be among a group of compassionate, fearless, and hard-working providers at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY.

During the last 7 years working in Emergency Medicine I have often fielded the question, "What's the craziest story you have from the ER?" Typically, I would offer an anecdote of patient's mishaps, or relate a scenario that I've only seen on a medical-drama TV series to see if I could pass that off. Ultimately, these stories were good for small talk, but never quite captured the essence of my job. As the lens of the mass media has zeroed-in its focus to the nuances of our work: public health considerations, provider safety, ventilator numbers and the obstacles we face in the context of stressed resources, I think it is safe to say that THIS IS the craziest experience I have ever encountered in the ER. That said, Emergency Medicine as a discipline thrives in cases of uncertainty, strives to resolve difficult decisions, and gracefully contorts itself to the most pressing needs of the hour all while seeking to maintain the humanity for every patient.

You all have-and will continue--to hear from singular talking heads in the weeks to come. Some are on the front line, others in position of power, and everything else in-between, but what you may not always see is the team and community behind the work that we do. I am sure that many of you are already too familiar with the many stories that conjure fear, existential anxiety, and the formidable unknown. Although these stories do reflect some of the grim realities of our daily work, I'd rather take time to share the stories of my colleagues humming the quiet poetry of hope amidst a raucous tragedy.

And as much as I am thankful to be part of this team now more than ever, I am also thankful for the many ways you all have contributed to my development as a family member, friend, relative, teacher, teammate, and physician. If there is a silver-lining in all of this it would be an acute reminder about how everything/everyone is related in our world, and we have a decision at every moment to be grateful, giving, and compassionate. These resources are invaluable and are not dictated by governments or isolation measures or bell curves or medical equipment. If you continue to choose these values they will arrive in abundance. Please do your part in maintaining recommended social distancing and isolation, and adhere to the local advisories in your respective communities."

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