



Holy Name Cathedral

Mission Statement

As missionary disciples of Jesus Christ we celebrate, transform, and engage our diverse Cathedral parish through worship, life-long formation and service to one another.

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: 6:00, 7:00, 8:00 am, 12:10, 5:15 pm
Saturday: 8:00 am, 12:10 pm
Vigil Masses: 5:15 pm and 7:30 pm
Sunday: 7:00, 8:15, 9:30, 11:00 am; 12:30, 5:15 pm
Saturday Reconciliation: 3:00-5:00 pm; 6:15-7:15 pm



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In 1223, just two years before his death, Saint Francis of Assisi set up a living crèche, a replica of the manger in Bethlehem at the birth of Jesus. He preached and prayed before the scene. His biographer, Thomas of Celano, says that in that moment Francis was “overwhelmed with love and filled with wonderful happiness.” His contemplation of Jesus, the Word made flesh, drew him to experience the depth of God’s love.

We live in a troubled world beset by wars, violence, injustice, broken relationships, and illness. Beyond that, we do believe and are convinced that God loves us and walks with us in Jesus, his Son. As we know, God will heal us and our broken world and bring us into the fullness of life. It is my hope that when you pray before the mystery of the Incarnate Word, as Saint Francis prayed, you will be renewed in hope and confidence and be “overwhelmed with love and filled with wonderful happiness.”

May God bless you with a renewal of faith, hope, and love as we celebrate the birth of the Lord.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

ARCHBISHOP OF CHICAGO



*Christmas 2017
Cardinal's letter to the Faithful
Archdiocese of Chicago*

We Remember and Celebrate

Upcoming Weddings at the Cathedral



- III. Brandon Kmiecik & Heater Manno
- I. Michael Zemlan & Laarni Bulchand

Welcomed Into Our Family of Faith

William Cochrane D'Amato

Bella Antonia Jackson

Adler Lee Reese

Dev Emerson Varanasi

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord

Sr. Rachel Lessard, p.s.s.f.



Dear People of God,

The generosity of the Parish Community of Holy Name Cathedral is humbling and mind boggling to me.

I'm confident our Christmas Collections will reflect your generous hearts and support of our parish.

There are some outstanding expenses related to our Advent and Christmas Celebrations this year. Please see me or call me at the rectory (312-787-8040) if you want to consider a special gift to underwrite these expenses as your Christmas gift to all!

God's Blessings always!

With much gratitude,
Fr. Greg

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 25 - The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

- 7:00 a.m. All Parishioners Living and Deceased
- 8:15 a.m. All Parishioners Living and Deceased
- 9:30 a.m. All Parishioners Living and Deceased
- 11:00 p.m. All Parishioners Living and Deceased
- 12:30 p.m. All Parishioners Living and Deceased
- 5:15 p.m. All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Tuesday, December 26 - St. Stephen

- 6:00 a.m. Nunzi Dizanni
- 7:00 a.m. Bill and Rodney Murata
- 8:00 a.m. Petra Maldonado
- 12:10 p.m. Weissensel Family
- 5:15 p.m. Deacon James R. Sanford, Sr.

Wednesday, December 27 - St. John

- 6:00 a.m. Alfred San Martin
- 7:00 a.m. Dana McKinney
- 8:00 a.m. *Special Intention*
- 12:10 p.m. Frank Salvino
- 5:15 p.m. Juan Colon

Thursday, December 28 - The Holy Innocents

- 6:00 a.m. Jean Hoffmaster
- 7:00 a.m. Alfred San Martin
- 8:00 a.m. Nora E. Duldulao
- 12:10 p.m. Carl J. Sterk
- 5:15 p.m. Helen Laugier

Friday, December 29 - St. Thomas Becket

- 6:00 a.m. Deacon Francis and Theresa DeBellis
- 7:00 a.m. Richard Caplis
- 8:00 a.m. Anna Kahn
- 12:10 p.m. Aidan Scott Draper
- 5:15 p.m. Vicki Coppolino

Saturday, December 30

- 8:00 a.m. Weissensel Family
- 12:10 p.m. *Special Intention*



Order of Worship

PRELUDE

INTROIT

All other Masses

Repeat after CANTOR

Drop down dew from a - bove, you heavn's
let the clouds rain down the Just One;
let the earth be op - ended
and bring forth a Sav - ior.

In 45 #
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Repeat after Cantor

Lord have mer - cy
Christ have mer - cy
Lord have mer - cy.

Base on "Creator siderum"

Sunday

9:30 & 11:00 Masses

Rorate, caeli, desuper

GRZEGORZ GERWAZY GORCZYCKI

READINGS

Worship Hymnal #1011

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 89

H. RICARDO RAMIREZ

Can-ta-ré e - ter-na - men-te las mi-se-ri - cor-dias del Se-
ñor For ever I will sing the good-ness of the Lord.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Praise we the Lord this Day

Worship Hymnal #876

SWABIA

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mode VI

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

All other Masses

The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

Worship Hymnal #875

GABRIEL'S MESSAGE

Sunday

9:30 & 11:00 Masses

The Angel Gabriel

DAN FORTUNE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Missa Emmanuel

Worship Hymnal #347

RICHARD PROULX

Order of Worship

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Missa Emmanuel

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your death O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

AMEN

Missa Emmanuel

Worship Hymnal #349

RICHARD PROULX

LAMB OF GOD

Missa Emmanuel

Cantor:
Lamb of God, Lamb of God: you take a-way the sins of the
Assembly:
world, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.
Cantor:
Lamb of God, Lamb of God: you take a-way the sins of the
Assembly:
world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold a virgin shall conceive and shall bring forth Son; and his name shall be called Emmanuel. The heaven declare the glory of God. The sky proclaims its builder's craft.

COMMUNION HYMN

My Soul is Stillness Waits

Worship Hymnal #404

Sunday

9:30 & 11:00 Masses

Angelus ad Virginem

ANDREW CARTER

TRANSLATION: When the angel came secretly to the Virgin in her room, soothing the maiden's fear, he said: "Hail! Hail, Queen of virgins. While yet untouched by man you shall conceive and bear the Lord of heaven and earth, salvation for mankind. You have become the gate of heaven, a remedy for sins."

"How can I conceive, since I have not known a man? How can I break the vow I made with firm intent?" "The grace of the Holy Spirit shall bring all this to pass. Fear not, but rejoice, secure in the knowledge that pure chastity shall remain yours through God's mighty power."

To this the noble Virgin replied, saying: "I am the lowly handmaiden of Almighty God. I bend my will to you, O celestial messenger, who share so great a mystery, and I long to see performed what I now hear. I am ready to yield myself to God's design."

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O Come, Divine Messiah

Worship Hymnal #387

VENEZ DIVIN MESSIE

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Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

Masses of the Day, Monday, January 1

8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:10PM, 5:15PM

The angel said to them "A Savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord"

Dear Friends,

YOU ARE A BLESSING and you make the world a brighter place every day.

May your heart overflow with love and joy as we celebrate the miracle of Christmas.

Wishing you joy and peace as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Merry Christmas, Feliz Navida, Wesolych Świąt, Maligayang Pasko, Buon Natale

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO 

Human Dignity & Solidarity—Immigration Ministry

National Migration Week Mass

Many Journeys, One Family

Presided by Cardinal Blase J. Cupich

Feast of the Epiphany

5:15 p.m. | January 7, 2018

Holy Name Cathedral

730 North Wabash, Chicago, IL 60611

For more information: José Torres, Arturo Gonzalez, or Raymundo Valdez at 312.534.8103 or jtorres@archchicago.org, agonzalez@archchicago.org, or rvaldez@archchicago.org or visit: www.catholicsandimmigrants.org



Women of Holy Name Cathedral

are invited to attend an

Epiphany Retreat

Saturday, January 6, 2018 in the Parish Center

9AM – 5 PM (with option to attend 5:15 Mass)

Walking the Way of Hope

think, pray and find comfort in Sabbath time



A retreat day based on the work of Jan Richardson facilitated by parishioner Linda Nardone

Space is limited. Cost is \$35

payable with registration mailed (or delivered) to the HNC Rectory

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/tiny-hope>

Questions? Contact Julie Berggren at julieRberggren@gmail.com

Faith Formation

BOOST YOUR BELIEFS:

Developing

Cardinal Bernardin's Consistent Ethic of Life to a Consistent Ethic of Solidarity



**Presented by
Cardinal Cupich**

**Thursday,
February 1, 2018**

6 p.m.

Parish Center Auditorium

Sponsored by the Faith Formation
Commission

VISIT JESUS' BIRTHPLACE

Holy Land Pilgrimage

April 9– 19, 2018

Most people make a bucket list in their lifetime, and a pilgrimage to the Holy Land is surely among them. It is something that is not to be missed! It is not just an ordinary, usual kind of pilgrimage, but a life-changing one. Join us for an 11 day journey retracing where Jesus walked. Let this be a moment of transforming encounter as the Gospels come alive.

Full details including the itinerary and registration form, can be found on the cathedral website., or contact Fr. Don Cambe, 312– 573-4438



Birthplace of Jesus,
Church of the Nativity,
Bethlehem

FORUM: CONSISTENT LIFE ETHIC

In anticipation of Cardinal Cupich's presentation, there will be a forum to reintroduce Bernardin's concept of the seamless garment.

Monday, January 22, 2018

6:30 p.m.

Parish Center Cafeteria

Sponsored by the Sustain Life
Initiative

JAVA & JUSTICE



Join us for some fair trade coffee and discussion with young advocates for justice.

**Catholic Extension
Society**

Monday, January 29, 2018

Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.

Taller de Jose

Monday, February 5, 2018

Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.

Human Concerns

Do you work in a restaurant? Thursday and Friday Suppers

For over 11 years our parish has sponsored Thursday and Friday Suppers at Catholic Charities, each night serving a warm meal to 130 sit down guests and providing another 80 people with a bag-lunch-to-go. We are currently seeking restaurants that may be willing to provide the 130 dine-in suppers one or more nights each year.

Consider joining local restaurants like Chicago Chop House, Hackney's, Flaco's Tacos, Italian Village, and Joe's Stone Crab in giving back to the people in our community who are in greatest need.

To find out more details, contact Fr. John Boivin at 312-787-8040.

Can you assist in filing income tax?

With the New Year approaching, Holy Name is pleased to announce it will continue to sponsor the Volunteer Income Tax program in 2018 and is seeking volunteers. Every Saturday, from February 3 through April 14, 2018, volunteers will assist clients in preparing their tax returns. The site is open from 10AM to 2PM. Volunteers may assist as many Saturdays as they wish and no prior professional experience is needed.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact hncvita@yahoo.com



Every Thursday and Friday at 4:45 PM

What: A free, warm meal
Where: Catholic Charities
LaSalle And Superior

For Whom: 130 local hungry dine-in guests, plus 80 bag lunches to go = 210 people fed each night.

Cost: Free for the guests; almost \$1,000 for the parish

Funded by: Donors like you

Make a donation to support this important ministry of the Cathedral by dropping off a check addressed to Holy Name Cathedral in an envelope marked Thursday-Friday Suppers.

Sponsored by our Cathedral Human Concerns Commission

An Unusual Christmas Gift

Looking for something different as a Christmas Gift? Consider a donation to our *Thursday-Friday Suppers* in the name of a family member who has everything or a friend who is hard to shop for or a co-worker. A letter of announcement is mailed to the honoree and a letter of acknowledgement to the donor.



2018 Appeal for Mothers and Children in Need

For over 15 years, our Human Concerns Commission has turned to our parish to seek support for those who promote the cause of life. Each January, worthwhile causes have been presented to you for your material and financial help.

On the weekend of January 6 & 7, volunteers will be at the State Street doors collecting diapers of all sizes as well as cash donations to assist the following two local charities.

Casa Catalina Basic Needs Center

is located on the campus of Holy Cross parish, 4500 S. Ashland, serving a predominately Mexican American community. In addition to providing a food pantry, there is an outreach to expectant and new mothers who may be in need of diapers and other baby items, especially important for working mothers with children in day care.

St. Joseph Services is a north side ministry of the Daughters of Charity. Offering many services such as after school programs, safe haven for children, open gym, citizenship and English classes, it also supports expectant and new mothers in need of resources for care for their children.

Please consider helping these two causes.

Cathedral Events

French Toast Breakfast

Our Parish Life Commission invites you to our annual French Toast Breakfast on Sunday, January 21, from 9:00AM to 12:30 PM. For a bargain price of \$5 for adults and \$3 for those 12 and younger, you can enjoy this treat from the kitchen of our neighbor, *Sunny Side Up*.

French toast, sausage, orange juice and coffee are included as well as a copy of the *Little Black Book for Lent* and a take-home art project for children. Note that high chairs are available.

Other upcoming events from your Parish Life Commission are our annual Mardi Gras on Saturday, February 10 (*catered by Heaven on Seven*) and our Lenten Fish Dinner on Friday, March 23 (*catered by Kasia's Deli*).

Resurrection Cross

Perhaps the most striking feature of the Cathedral, the Resurrection Cross, created by artist Ivo Demetz, in 1969, is a powerful interpretation of this universal sign of Christianity. The wooden Cross depicts Christ as he is today and always - not a figure in agony, but the risen and triumphant Lord who died for our salvation. You can own an 8 inch replica to display in your home or give as Christmas gifts. Purchase price is \$20.00 each. Cash or checks (made payable to Holy Name Cathedral).



Crosses are available in the rectory office or fill out and mail the form found on our website.

Santo Nino/Infant of Prague



Our Cathedral Filipino Network invites you to join our annual celebration to honor the image of Our Lord as a child.

Whether you knew him as Santo Nino or as the Infant of Prague, come pray with us at the 11:00 AM Mass on Saturday morning, January 13, 2018. Bring your personal statue to be blessed.

As in the past, Fr. Lou Cameli will be our presider and homilist. Our Cathedral Filipino Singers will lead us in song and a light reception will follow in the parish center.

Chicago Shares



Chicago Shares are \$1 vouchers sold in books of five, making it a convenient, safe and constructive means to provide meals and other necessities for hungry people.

Chicago Shares will be sold on Sunday, January 21 from 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM in the Cathedral vestibule.

To learn more about the program visit, www.chicagoshares.org

Attention, men of the parish

Over the past two years, you have read bulletin articles about women's retreats and women's spirituality. Now we are writing to you about men's spirituality.

A team of men parishioners has met periodically over the last six months to see if there may be interest in a men's group starting in the parish. It could include prayer or Scripture study or discussion or whatever may be valuable to you as a Catholic man: you can decide.

Mark your calendars for the first Friday of Lent, February 16, for a kick-off event at 7:00 in the evening in our newly renovated auditorium. More details will be coming in the New Year.

Rainbows

Rainbows for All Children can help children deal with death, divorce, military deployment, medical illnesses and other traumatic experiences. We provide a safe place for children facing loss to interact with one another, share their thoughts and feelings, and establish relationships with others their own age who also are grieving. Through group activities and reflection, children feel a sense of belonging and often begin the healing process, allowing them to cope with the loss they have experienced.

Rainbows for All Children is not counseling, nor does it provide clinical therapy for grieving children. Instead, Rainbows for All Children is built on the foundation that, with the help of a supportive adult, children can help each other adapt to the loss and the changes in their lives. Rainbows' programs are for all children from any and all economic, racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds. The program is FREE for all participants.

Contact Bill Ovca at 312-256-4349 for more information.



Cathedral Events

ACT II . . . For Everyone 40 and Over

WANT TO BECOME MORE ACTIVE IN 2018?

Continuing from last week with **OUR ONGOING GROUPS**.
(Contact the coordinators for more details.)

POOL GROUP

Determined by participants' availability, on a Tuesday each month they meet at the City Pool Hall for spirited games of eight ball or other variations of pocket billiards. Table rental (\$10 - \$14) is split between players. Food & beverages avail. Beginners as well as accomplished players are welcome.
Bob Weeks: bweeks@weeks-comm.com; 312-867-7222

AFTERNOON SOCIAL BRIDGE

In the rectory from 1 - 4 PM on the first and third Mondays of the month, participants gather for Rubber Bridge. Play is competitive, yet friendly with the emphasis on enjoyment and improving one's techniques. RSVP by the preceding Saturday to ensure a place at the table.
Kathy Hayden: kathleen.hayden@att.net or 312-944-7430

POKER CLUB

On a Thursday night each month individuals meet at one of the member's homes for an evening of Dealers' Choice, the date determined by canvassing the players to find which Thursday night of the month the ideal number of 7 players can attend.
Bob Weeks: bweeks@weeks-comm.com or 312-867-7222

THE MOVIE CLUB

This group gets together to see a current movie one Sunday afternoon a month at a local movie theatre. Afterwards the participants eat at a nearby restaurant to discuss the movie and to enjoy one another's company.
Maureen Mooney: maureenmooney@att.net or 773-871-1149

HNCONNECTIONS

A monthly social event usually held at a local pub. The group provides an outlet specifically for the working ACT II members to meet others within our faith community.
Beth Awerkamp: mbawerkamp@gmail.com; 312-282-0250

CSO REHEARSALS

ACT II receives a limited number of tickets for CSO rehearsals, all held around the noon hour; available on a "first come" basis.
JoAnn Bridge: joannb1030@gmail.com or 610-470-4425
Kathy Hayden: Kathleen.hayden@att.net or 312-944-7430

AFTERNOON SKETCH GROUP

Sketchers at all levels of experience are welcome. Meeting at picturesque local sites on Mondays 1 - 3 PM twice a month in the summer, with indoor seminars once a month in the winter.
Barbara Weeks: RemarqueDesign.com or 847-687-4260

KNITTING GROUP

Goal: to give hand knitted hats, headbands, and scarfs on Saint Nicolas Day to our needy neighbors at Catholic Charities. The group knits all year long on select Tuesday evenings from 6 - 8:15 in room 204 at the rectory.
Helen McArdle: helen.mcardle29@icloud.com or 773-989-8614

MERRY CHRISTMAS . . . SEE YOU IN THE NEW YEAR!



Holy Name Cathedral Young Adults

welcome everyone in their 20's and 30's to share companionship in Christ.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Holy Name Cathedral Young Adults!

HNCYA would like to thank everyone for another great year of spiritual, social, and service events. Special thanks to all that participated and helped strength the Cathedral and young adult community.

We hope you have a blessed and joyous Christmas season and look forward to another year of faith, fellowship, and charity!

Advent Prayers With Mary Thursdays at 6:00pm at Catholic Charities

Join our Blessed Mother and Catholics from around Chicago every Thursday, praying for peace and celebrating our relationship with Mary and Advent, as Holy Name Cathedral Young Adults and the Catholic Charities Junior Board host Prayers with Mary!

Prayers with Mary takes place Thursdays at 6:00 PM on the third floor of Catholic Charities at 721 N. LaSalle in the chapel.

Upcoming Dates:

December 28 - Joyful Mysteries

January 4 - Luminous Mysteries

January 11 - Sorrowful Mysteries

January 18 - Glorious Mysteries



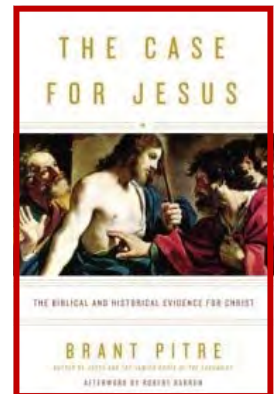
January Book Club Meeting

Thursday January 25th at 6:30pm in the Rectory

Book: The Case for Jesus by Brant Pitre

Details: For well over a hundred years now, many scholars have questioned the historical truth of the Gospels, claiming that they were originally anonymous. Others have even argued that Jesus of Nazareth did not think he was God and never claimed to be divine.

In The Case for Jesus, Dr. Brant Pitre, the bestselling author of Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist, goes back to the sources—the biblical and historical evidence for Christ—in order to answer several key questions about the Catholic Faith



For more information about any activities email youngadults@holynamecathedral.org or check out the HNC Young Adults Facebook page <http://facebook.com/hncyra>.

“Jesus lives within each of us spiritually”

“Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” With those words our Blessed Mother Mary places her total trust in God. We are called to do the same, and this final Sunday of Lent is the time for us to do that, if we have not previously. Mary’s response to God is the same response we need to offer the Lord. It is most appropriate that we hear this message at this time and on this day.

This took much more trust in the Lord than we might imagine. Mary agreed to receive a pregnancy that would be seen as suspect in a culture which had a potential death penalty for adultery. Spiritually speaking, there are similarities between the Lord’s work in Mary and His work in all of us. Jesus lives within each of us spiritually. He lived in Mary not only spiritually but also physically.

Jesus was made visible to the world through Mary physically, but He should be made visible to the world through us as well. Who we are and how we relate to and treat others is a sign to the world of Who Jesus is and what a Christian is and should be. Are we showing the world what it means to be His disciple? Is there a better time than this to do so?

The entertainer and comedian Bob Hope once said, “My idea of Christmas, whether old-fashioned or modern, is very simple: loving others. Come to think of it, why do we have to wait for Christmas to do that?”

Parish Stewardship Sunday Offertory

<i>FY18 Annual Collection Budget</i>	<i>\$ 40,000 / week (\$2 million annually)</i>
<i>Sustaining Donors Weekly Average</i>	<i>\$ 7,766 (automatic electronic giving—thank you!)</i>
<i>Collection Weekend of December 17</i>	<i>\$ 44,460</i>
<i>Weekly Collection Total</i>	<i>\$ 52,266/\$12,226 surplus to budget</i>

Thank you to those who regularly and generously give of their treasure as well as those who give of their time and talent to support the work of our Cathedral.



Now is the season we give thanks to God for all He has done for us this past year and throughout our lives. It is also a good time to begin considering how we might give back to Him through His Church with a special year-end gift of cash or appreciated assets such as shares of stock. You can designate such a gift or simply to Holy Name Cathedral’s general operating fund. A one-time gift makes a great difference. A recurring gift means we can count on you all year long. And every dollar counts. Please contact Maureen McInerney at 312-573-4425 or mmcinerney@holynamecathedral.org for more information.

CHRIST OUR
Savior
IS
born

This Week at the Cathedral

Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

Mass Schedule: Vigil Masses 4 PM and 6 PM
Christmas Caroling - 11:20 PM
Midnight Mass with Cardinal Cupich

Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day

Rectory office is CLOSED
Mass Schedule: 7:00 AM, 8:15 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM,
12:30 PM and 5:15 PM

Tuesday, December 26

EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Rosary	5:45 PM	Cathedral

Wednesday, December 27

EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Rosary	5:45 PM	Cathedral
Bible Study	6:30 PM	Rm 201

Thursday, December 28

EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Holy Hour for Vocations	3:00 PM	Cathedral
Centering Prayer	6:45 PM	Rm 116

Friday, December 29

EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
No Scheduled Events		

Saturday, December 30

EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
No Scheduled Events		

Sunday, December 31 - New Year's Eve

No Scheduled Events

Dear People of God,

The story is told of a young girl going to see the baby Jesus in the manger for the first time. She looked at the scene for a while and then turned to her dad and said, "Where does Jesus live for the rest of the year?" Can each of us answer that question?

Christmas is about Jesus Christ. Christmas is about us—gifts received and gifts shared. A gift is not a gift until it is given away and the Christmas Season is about preparation, giving and learning how to give out of love—and letting love come in.

The following thought provoking story best captures the Spirit of Christ (mas):

As the elderly man walked the beach at dawn he noticed a youth ahead of him picking up starfish and flinging them into the sea. Finally, catching up with the youth, he asked him why he was doing this. The answer was that the stranded starfish would die if left in the morning sun. "But the beach goes on for miles and there are millions of starfish," countered the old man. "How can your effort make any difference?" The young man looked at the starfish in his hand and then threw it to the safety of the waves. "It makes all the difference to this one," he said.

Each one of us does make a difference and Christmas is about "coming home." Come home to the Lord as we celebrate the Christmas Season as God's family together awaiting a New Year.

You have been the face of God to me since my arrival almost eighteen months ago through the sharing of your time, talent and treasure—Christmas' real meaning. I brag to others about the wonderful generosity of this Faith Community. I want to humbly thank all of you for sharing your generosity, love and faith with me, the Staff, each other and the wider community. In the name of our entire Staff, I wish you and your family a Holy Christmas and Blessed New Year!

With joy and thanksgiving,

Fr. Greg

Humor from the Rector



“These days, I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter. . . . I go somewhere to get something, and then wonder, ‘What am I here after.’ ”





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Register as a Parishioner: If you regularly pray with us at the Cathedral, we want to welcome you as a member of our Faith Community. You can register on our website, or stop by the Cathedral Administrative Offices.

Keep Us Informed: Help us keep our database up-to-date by sending us any changes in address, email, phone number or name.

Private Prayer: The Cathedral is open throughout the day for private prayer and devotions.

Volunteer Opportunities: Find yourself looking for that perfect opportunity to volunteer at the Cathedral? Send an e-mail to hncvolunteercommunity@gmail.com and become a member of our volunteer community.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you looking to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation? Contact Don Cambe at dcambe@holynamecathedral.org

Mass Intentions: Weekday Mass intentions are available for parishioners who would like their intentions to be remembered at Mass. Intentions are available for those who have died or through a Spiritual Bouquet for someone who is living. Stop by the Cathedral Administrative Offices to obtain a date and time.

Eucharistic Adoration: Join in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the First and Third Friday of the month in the Chapel. Adoration takes place following the 8:00 a.m. Mass until 5:45 p.m.

Rosary: The Rosary is prayed Monday through Wednesday after the 5:15 p.m. Mass. On the first Wednesday, our Rosary honors Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Tours: Want to know more about the Cathedral of the Archdiocese of Chicago and this historic landmark in our city? Schedule a tour through our website with one of our Cathedral Docents.

Baptisms: Infant baptisms are celebrated on designated Sundays throughout the year at 2:00 p.m. Parents of infants are asked to participate in a one-time baptism preparation class before the baptism. Consult our website to register for the class and to schedule the baptism. Baptisms for children over the age of six are coordinated through our Children's Faith Formation program. You can contact Thomas Aspell, Director of Children's Faith Formation, via e-mail at taspell@holynamecathedral.org for more information. Baptisms for adults are a part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. You can contact Fr. Don Cambe, via email at dcambe@holynamecathedral.org

Marriage: You must be a currently registered member of Holy Name Cathedral in order to be married at the Cathedral. Please allow at least six months prior to the wedding date you desire before making any other plans. Consult our website for more information on celebrating the sacrament of matrimony at the Cathedral

Ministry of Care: If you or your loved one is sick or homebound and unable to attend Mass with us, a trained Minister of Care can bring you Communion. Contact Fr. John Boivin, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Ministries, at 312-787-8040.

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