

February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Forgive and you will be forgiven.
Give, and gifts will be given to you



Holy Name Cathedral

Our Vision

A world in communion with Jesus Christ.

Our Mission

Holy Name Cathedral, as a Catholic parish and the seat of the Archdiocese of Chicago, forms a community of disciples who inspire, nurture, and join people on their faith journey to encounter and grow in Jesus Christ.



Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday

7:00am, 8:00am & 12noon (livestream)
Wednesday evenings at 5:15pm

Saturday

9:00am (livestream) & 5:15pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am (livestream),
12:30pm, 5:15pm

Saturday Reconciliation

9:00am to 12noon

Reflections from Our Rector



Dear People of God,

It has been very cold and snowy the last two weeks, which feels like an eternity! Each winter day, we long for spring and daylight to grow longer. As winter drags on, we know there's light ahead with March almost upon us. We need to laugh and realize humor is a

marvelous gift from God. With this in mind, I would like to take this opportunity and share with you some of the perks when one reaches the age of 70.

1. You enjoy elevator music.
 2. Metamucil has become a daily companion.
 3. No one expects you to run into a burning building.
 4. People call at 9pm and ask, "Did I wake you?"
 5. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
 6. There is nothing left to learn "the hard way."
 7. Things you buy now won't wear out.
 8. You can eat dinner at 4pm if you want to...and you do.
 9. You enjoy hearing about other people's operations.
 10. You get into heated arguments about pension plans.
 11. The neighbors don't even realize you have a party.
 12. You no longer think of speed limits as a challenge.
 13. You quit trying to hold your stomach in, no matter who enters the room.
 14. Your eyes won't get much worse.
 15. Your investment in health insurance is finally beginning to pay off.
 16. Your joints are more accurate than meteorologists or the National Weather Service.
 17. Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.
 18. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to a manageable size.
 19. You can't remember the Rector's name.
 20. Your knees go out more than you do.
- And wisdom is part of aging ...

Pearls of wit and wisdom from Will Rogers!

- Good judgment comes from experience, and much of that comes from bad judgment.
- Lettin' the cat outta the bag is much easier than puttin' it back in.
- If you're ridin' ahead of the herd, look back every now and then to ensure it's still there.
- If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.
- If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop digging.
- When you give a lesson in meanness to a critter or a person, don't be surprised if they learn their lesson.
- When you're throwing your weight around, be ready to have it thrown around by somebody else.
- The quickest way to double your money is to fold it over and put it back into your pocket.
- Never miss a good chance to shut up.

Faith, humor, and life (aging) are a few of life's wonderful gifts from God!

Keep life in balance — and enjoy each day as a splendid gift of our Creator!

Trying to keep life in perspective,
Fr. Greg



Drop Off Your Dried Palms

As we prepare for our Lenten season this year, if you have any palms at your home, you are invited to return them to the Cathedral Rectory during business hours, so we can burn them for ashes to be distributed on Ash Wednesday (March 5).

Upcoming Events

Sunday, February 23

15-minute Docent Express Tours	9:30 & 11:30 AM
OCIA cohort	10:00 AM

Monday, February 24

Ecumenical Prayer Service for Ukraine	6:00 PM
Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 PM

Tuesday, February 25

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	6:00 PM
Men's Young Adult Bible Study	7:00 PM
Women's Young Adult Bible Study	7:00 PM

Wednesday, February 26

NO MASSES TODAY AT 12noon nor 5:15 PM

Episcopal Ordination (private, ticket-only event)	2:00 PM
Eucharistic Minister Training (pre-registration only)	5:45 PM
Wednesday Evening Bible Study (via Zoom)	6:30 PM

Thursday, February 27

Blessings in Backpack	9:00 AM
Thursday Morning Bible Study Group	10:15 AM
Adult Confirmation Preparation Class	6:30 PM

Saturday, March 1

Confessions on the Lower Level of Cathedral	9:00 AM
YA Small Groups (Exodus 90)	9:30 AM
YA Small Group I	9:30 AM
Fiat 90 Young Adult	11:00 AM
YA Small Group II	11:00 AM
YA Small Group III	11:00 AM
Clase de Bautismo -en espanol	12:30 PM



Come See Our Special Presentation of 'Damien'!

Next weekend, Holy Name Cathedral will have a special presentation to celebrate our 175th anniversary as a Faith Community: a production of "Damien."

The story of 19th Century St. Damien of Molokai resonates today. He ministered to an outcast population – the marginalized, abandoned men, women and children living with leprosy, who were living in an isolated leper colony in Molokai, Hawaii.

Chicago sports icon Wayne Messmer will transform into "Damien" in a one-man play by Aldyth Morris on Sunday, March 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral. Our Rector, Fr. Greg, invites you to be his guest. We request that you reserve your complimentary ticket(s) by scanning the QR code. Preferred, reserved seating is available for \$15 and includes a pre-play light dinner.

For more details, see page 7.

For the latest updates, please scan the QR code. If you have any questions, email 175@holynamecathedral.org.



On the Cover

In honor of our anniversary, each week we will spotlight photos from our past 175 years on the bulletin cover. They'll offer a peek into the past of our Faith Community.

Photo by Sun-Times photo archive. From Feb. 13, 1953 Holy Name Associate Pastor Fr. George Halpin lights palms that will be used in Ash Wednesday services. Watching the fire in the background are Holy Family Sisters Mary Felix and Mary Anthony and HNC Associate Pastor Fr. Robert Herne.



Sign up for our newsletter!

Weekly Rector's Update
(delivered to your inbox every Friday)

Worship

Are You Ready to Deepen Your Prayer Life? Join Our Hallow Lenten Challenge

Holy Name Cathedral is partnering with the Hallow App to provide another tool for our Faith Community to explore prayer and meditation. Please consider joining our Community page in the app where we can share content specific to our parish as well as support each other's prayer intentions.



You can use the free version, or if you would like, you can sign up for a one-year premium subscription for just \$1, a gift from Fr. Greg in celebration of our 175th Anniversary year.

Lent is just 1½ weeks away! Join us as we share in the Lenten40 Prayer Challenge together. Over 500 people have already joined our parish's Community page!

What is Hallow?

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New to Hallow?

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Join your Parish! Log into Hallow and on the bottom right, tap Community. Then enter our parish's zip code: 60611. When you see your parish's name, tap Join Parish.

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➔ To register



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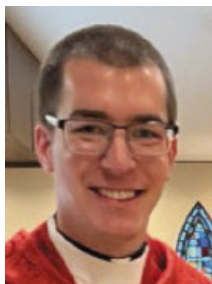
The graphic features a grid of images: a church interior, a soldier, a man with a halo, a man in prayer, a man with a beard, hands holding a chalice, and a crucifix. The bottom has a decorative border.

Catholic Illuminations

Understanding the Liturgical Meaning of ‘Vatican II’

By Fr. Andy Matijevic

One hears the phrase Vatican II or the Second Vatican Council within Catholic circles, and there are three reactions. Some say it was unnecessary and destroyed the Church. Others say it did not go far enough in reforms of the structure of the Church and failed to produce real change. However, the third group, where most Catholics fall, doesn't fully understand the Council, its writings, and the reality it was called to create by St. John XXIII. The Council overall produced four constitutions, three declarations, and nine decrees. Articles and even books can be written on each, but for now, let us turn our attention to the first promulgated constitution, *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, on the Sacred Liturgy.



In this document, the Second Vatican Council sought to renew the liturgy in the lives of the faithful. The Council did this by revising the ritual texts used to celebrate the various Sacraments, but more so in how we worship together. And liturgical reforms were not new to the Council. Across the world, beginning in the early 20th century, pastors and liturgical theologians were experimenting with the faithful to become more involved in the liturgy. We see this in paragraph 14, where the document says, “Mother Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that fully conscious, and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy.”

Before the liturgical reforms, the Mass was celebrated in Latin, with the priest and the people facing the same direction, and with little if any participation of the faithful in the pews. People would pray their devotionals as the Mass was being celebrated, not knowing or understanding what was happening. With the liturgical reforms, the faithful can now see, hear, respond, and participate in the liturgy, which is their right by baptism. And in the liturgy, heaven comes to earth, and we are

wrapped up in that glory that we will find in the life to come.

You may be wondering, what does this have to do with us? It was in December 1963 that this constitution was approved, and still, some people come to Mass and do not participate. Complete, conscious, and active participation means responding when the priest says, “The Lord be with you,” or the lector when they say, “The Word of the Lord.” It means joining your voice in song as we sing throughout the liturgy – and if you have an imperfect voice, God still gave it to you so use it for his benefit. It means fully engaging in what is happening through sight, sound, taste, touch, and smell. The liturgy is not something you watch happen; it is something you participate in because it is the perfect way to give glory and thanks to God for his gifts and blessings on us, most clearly salvation through his son, Jesus Christ.

As we continue to worship our God through this renewal, we see then that worship is an action, it requires an active response. Gone are the days of passively watching the liturgy while praying our devotions, of being passive spectators. We are invited to participate in our own way, through our baptismal priesthood, by offering ourselves with Jesus on the altar for the world's salvation. St. John Vianney is known to have said, “If we truly understood the Mass, we would die of joy.” By fully, actively, and consciously participating in the liturgy, our eyes will be opened more to see the reality of the life to come.

Tours After 8:30, 10:30 Masses

Each week, our Cathedral Docents lead short, 15-minute tours following the 8:30am and 10:30am Masses. Our Docents are excited to share with you the art, architecture and history of the Cathedral.

These free tours will begin immediately after Mass and will start at the front of the main, center aisle. No reservations needed!

Faith in Action



The Stump of Jesse

‘The Lord Lavishes His Joy Upon Us When We Offer Him Even a Little of Our Time.’

By Fr. Ton Nguyen

Joy, joy, joy! You can see it all over their faces — so much joy! Right?

As you can see, 150 young adults dedicated their entire Saturday to attending the retreat. Do you remember Luke 6:38? “Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap.” Yes! The Lord lavishes His joy upon us when we offer Him even a little of our time. You can find even more photos of the Feb. 1 Young Adult Retreat on our website under Formation – Young Adults.



Looking ahead, we have the YA Lenten Small Group, with the sign-up deadline this weekend. And, of course, the

big June 8 “Road to Emmaus” event, a day filled with fellowship and spiritual growth, is fast approaching!

Scan the QR code to save your spot for our Lenten Small Groups! I love being a priest. JMJ.





DAMIEN

Everyone is invited to discover the powerful true story of **SAINT DAMIEN** of Molokai

This one-man play revisits the life of Saint Damien, champion of marginalized, abandoned men, women and children as well as the patron saint of people suffering from leprosy.

**COMING
NEXT
SUNDAY!**

DAMIEN with Wayne Messmer

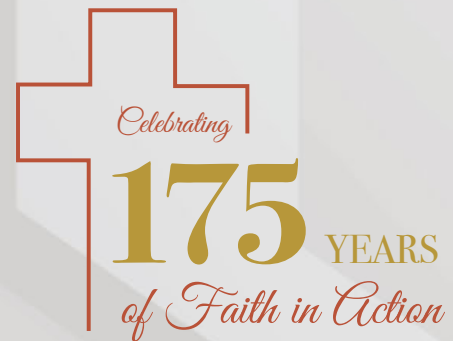


Sunday, March 2 | 7:30pm | Holy Name Cathedral

Complimentary General Seating tickets are a gift from our Rector, Fr. Greg. Preferred Reserved Seating tickets are available for \$15, including a pre-play light dinner, refreshments, and private entry to the Cathedral. **Reservations are required for both types of tickets—scan the QR code or go to tinyurl.com/DamienPlay.**



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Comenzamos la Cuaresma con la Misa en español

Únanse a nosotros a la Misa en español mientras comenzamos el tiempo sagrado de Cuaresma.

Nuestra próxima Misa en español será el sábado 8 de marzo a las 3:30 p.m. en la Catedral del Santo Nombre. (Dirección 735 N. State)

Después de la Misa habrá una convivencia en la cafetería de la escuela con refrigerios, así como ropa y otras cosas para los que necesiten.

Si alguien de su familia desea recibir el sacramento del Bautismo habrá una preparación el 1 de marzo a la 1:00pm en la Rectoría de la Catedral. (730 N Wabash Ave.).

Todos están invitados a rezar por nuestros hermanos y hermanas migrantes. La Catedral del Santo Nombre se mantiene en firme solidaridad con nuestros hermanos y hermanas inmigrantes en este tiempo difícil. Afirmamos la dignidad de cada persona y recordamos las palabras del Papa Francisco: “Olvidamos fácilmente que se trata de personas con rostros y nombres” Estamos unidos en oración y solidaridad.

Join us for Mass in Spanish!

Join us for Mass in Spanish as we begin the sacred time of Lent. Our next Spanish Mass is Saturday, March 8 at 3:30pm at Holy Name Cathedral. After Mass, there will be a gathering in the school cafeteria with refreshments, as well as clothing and other items for those in need.

If someone in your family would like to receive the sacrament of baptism on March 8 during the Mass, there will be a preparation class for this on March 1 at 1:00pm in the Cathedral Rectory.

The Faith Community of Holy Name Cathedral affirms the dignity of our immigrant brothers and sisters, and we remember the words of Pope Francis: “We easily forget that they are people with faces and names.” We invite you to pray for our migrant brothers and sisters. Holy Name Cathedral stands in firm solidarity with them during this difficult time and remains united with them in prayer and solidarity.

Faith and Fitness: Lent 2025

Next Sunday, March 2 at 1:30pm

The Faith and Fitness Ministry invites everyone of all ages to join a special discussion led by Father Louis Cameli and Michele Sotak. On Sunday, March 2, please join us after the 12:30pm Mass in the Club Room to explore connection between spirituality and wellness. As we approach the Lenten season, it marks the perfect time of year to discuss our topic of sacrifice, discipline and deliberateness. We continue the theme of putting our Faith in Action and practicing the virtue of hope.

Father Cameli and Michele will offer guidance, scripture passages, and reflection to support overall wellbeing this Lent. The session will also include an exercise demonstration, a witness testimonial, group discussion and a Q&A session. Scan the QR code to register.



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Available

Holy Name Cathedral is pleased to announce it will again sponsor the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program this year. Tax preparation is available on Saturdays March 22 and April 12 (these dates only) for clients with incomes below \$70,000. The site is open 9:30am - 3:30pm. Clients are assisted on a first-come, first-served basis provided they arrive by 12:30pm. For assistance, please bring a government-issued photo ID and Social Security card for all individuals listed on the tax return-including dependents and all tax documents. There is no charge for this service. Any questions, please email the VITA team at hncvita@yahoo.com.

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2025 Annual Catholic Appeal



The Annual Catholic Appeal theme for 2025 is *Together we bring hope*. It echoes the theme that Pope Francis has given to the Holy Year *Pilgrims of hope*. It also resonates with our efforts of renewal in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Contributions to the Appeal enable us to bring real hope into our world, especially to those in need. We come together as the Lord's Church, and we demonstrate our love of God and our neighbor through our support of the Appeal. We foster the Church's mission to teach, to serve, and to sanctify in the name of Jesus Christ. Our support is a blessing for many.

Please consider supporting this year's Appeal. Your generous contribution will be a source of blessing for many people, for yourself, and for your loved ones.

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Next Order Deadline: April 11

Honor a Loved One with a Mother Cabrini and Courtyard Paver Programs

Mother Cabrini Commemorative Paver

Holy Name Cathedral is home to the Mother Cabrini Statue and Garden honoring the life and legacy of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. Mother Cabrini dedicated her life in service to others and is the Patron Saint of Immigrants and the first United States citizen to be canonized a saint. The Mother Cabrini Garden offers pavers for engraving. Memorialize a loved one, honor someone special or commemorate a significant event through the purchase of a paver.

Courtyard Commemorative Paver

Our courtyard features a private Marian Shrine where the faithful say prayers to the Blessed Virgin and leave offerings of flowers. Commemorate a special event, loved one, or celebrate a family member or friend's wedding, baptism, anniversary or other milestone through the purchase of a paver in the Cathedral's courtyard.

If you would like to order an engraved paver, the next deadline for ordering is April 11. Purchase forms can be found on our website under Giving – Special Intentions. For more information, contact Regina Zielinski at (312) 573-4432 or rzielinski@holynamecathedral.org.

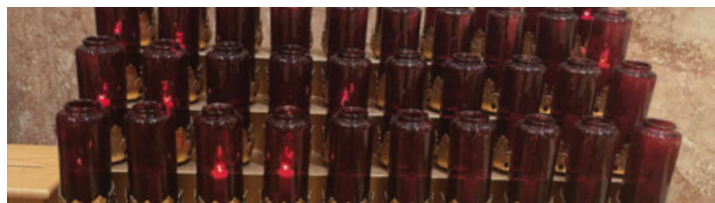


Honoring Our Loved Ones

Ministers of Care Available to Visit You with Communion

What is the Ministry of Care? It is a group of people who have been trained and commissioned to visit with, pray with, and bring communion to those in our parish who are sick and unable to attend mass; those who are homebound, in the hospital or in a nursing home.

We have several Ministers of Care available to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. Email us at mycathedral@holynamecathedral.org or call us at (312) 787-8040 and one of our Ministers of Care will be in touch.



Light a Prayer Candle

Lighting a candle for your family and friends or for a personal prayer is an important Catholic tradition. We know many of you may not be able to come into the Cathedral to light the candle yourself. It would be our honor to have one of our resident priests light a Cathedral Candle on your behalf. They will pray to our Lord to intercede on behalf of your personal intention. Scan the QR code to complete the request form.



Wedding Banns



II Gretchen Guerrero & James Dowell

III Dana Nolan & Leonardo Rizzo

In Memoriam

- William Joseph Linklater
- Jerriann Laughlin



Mass Intentions

Colored dots represent the priest's vestment color

Week of Feb. 23 – March 1

● Monday, February 24 (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

7 AM Alex Kremer

8 AM + Ellen Irons

12 PM + Frank Oelerich

● Tuesday, February 25 (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

7 AM + Bernadine J. Gordus

8 AM + Robert DeYoung

12 PM + Zeny Santos & Eddie Dichoco

● Wednesday, February 26 (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

7 AM Father John Behnke

8 AM + Judy Uruba

12 PM No Mass Today

5.15 PM No Mass Today

○ Thursday, February 27 (Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church)

7 AM + Robert & Dolores & Bobby Benson

8 AM + Peter J. Thornton

12 PM + Brian Bongat, Mariano Bongat & Simeon Santos

● Friday, February 28 (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

7 AM + Cyriac Pullapilly

8 AM + Rebecca Stepusin, + Cesar Tantoco + Frank Kloht, Rubina Leffer, Jimmy Chalkey + Thomas Keith Patefield, + Arnie Rodica Edward Mokrzycki, + Ruby Florante

12 PM + Irene Mamica

● Saturday, March 1 (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

9 AM + Monika & Anton Sotak

Fellowship

A Little Humor from the Rector



“Listen up, children! Should Grandma read you another chapter dealing with Aristotelian thought as it relates to philosophical trends in the 17th Century?”

Attend Police Workshop for Seniors for Crime Protection

Six Wednesdays in March and April, 10:00am

The Cook County Sheriff's Office & Chicago Police Department 18th District invite you to attend the: Senior Citizen Law Enforcement Academy



- Learn how to protect yourself from crime
- Learn how to communicate with law enforcement
- Understand con games & scams targeted at seniors
- Understand the functions of the Cook County Jail & Courts
- Refreshments will be served
- All participants honored at a Graduation Ceremony & Reception

The sessions will take place on Wednesdays March 5, 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9 from 10am-noon. Registration is required. To register or receive more information, please call the Sheriff's Office at (708) 865-7341.

Come to our First Young At Heart Luncheon Gathering

Saturday, March 29, 11:00am

The Young At Heart ministry invites adults aged 55 and better to join a welcoming and supportive community centered on Christ. Our gatherings aim to deepen our faith, foster meaningful relationships, and share experiences in a spirit of joy, service, and love, all while keeping the light of Christ shining brightly in our hearts.



You are invited to our first Luncheon Gathering:

Topic: A Virtual Pilgrimage to Vietnam

Presented by: Fr. Ton Nguyen

Date and Time: Saturday, March 29 at 11:00am

Location: FXW School Cafeteria (Enter through the Courtyard Entrance)

Door opens at 10:45am and lunch provided.

Registration is required to attend.

To sign up and pay the \$15 fee, please scan the QR code. We look forward to seeing you at this inaugural gathering!



SAVE THE DATE

Parish Mission

Our Lenten Parish Mission will be **March 23 and 25** in the Cathedral. Sr. Barbara Reid, president of Catholic Theological Union, will be our speaker. We hope to see you there!



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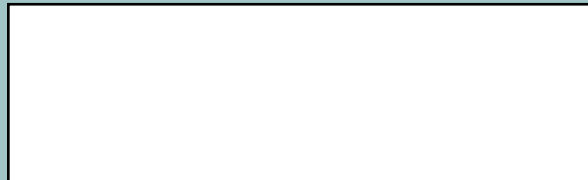
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Prelude (10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.)

Prelude in G Major BWV 541

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Entrance Hymn

Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace

#755

Gloria

Mass of St. Ann (10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.) Ed Bolduc

Congregational Mass (All other Masses) #324

First Reading #1129

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10, 12-13

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Gospel Acclamation #328

Gospel Luke 6:27-38



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Offertory Hymn

Love One Another #693

Holy, Holy

Mass for the People of God #290

Memorial Acclamation

Mass for the People of God #293

Amen

Mass for the People of God #294

Lamb of God

Mass for the People of God #295

Communion Antiphon

I will relate all your wondrous deeds.

I will sing to the honor of your name.

Communion Hymn

The Supper of the Lord

Laurence Rosania

Communion Motet (10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.)

True Love's the Gift

Charles Wood

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Postlude

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