

Church of The Holy Family
<https://www.holyfamilyparkforest.org/>
I-Announcements
February 24, 2022

Worship with us in person or on zoom
"Diocesan Covid Protocol observed"
Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

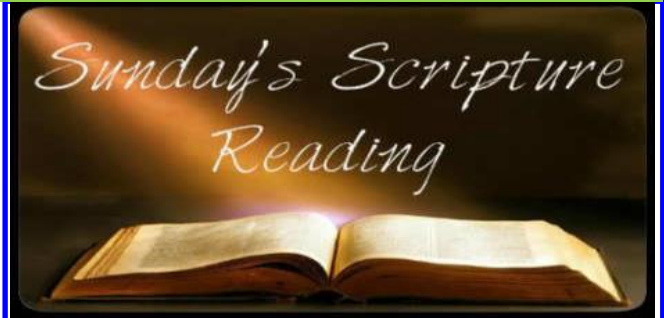
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Weekday Evening Prayer
Monday through Friday at 6:00pm

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Exodus 34:29-35
 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2
 Luke 9:28-43
 Psalm 99

The Search Committee will lead a Townhall Meeting on Sunday, February 27th after service to share the results of the C.A.T. (Church Assessment Tool)

Join us via Zoom or in-person <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87012810973?pwd=NOJYUnFaYIBBbTMzNUJGZ1EzVkZiUT09>

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If you have any questions, contact McAllister Cox or Melissa Jacobsen



Healing

Allisa & John
 Joe
 Lee
 Julian & Stickney Family
 Cameron Shepard
 Amanda
 Rich
 Tina

Special Needs

Danae
 Laroux
 Winnie
 Tina

Departed

Bill Williams

Those Who Mourn

Williams Family

Effective immediately prayer requests should be submitted to **PrayerRequestsholyfamily@gmail.com** by Tuesday to be included in the I-Announcements.

Any emergency prayer requests that need to be sent out before or after the I Announcements will be emailed to the congregation the day it's received.

Please put "Emergency Prayer Request" as the title and email request to holyfamilypf@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at 708-748-1100.

pray

Anglican Cycle of Prayer-

Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer;

Congregations in the Chicago-South Deanery: St. Paul & the Redeemer in Chicago; St. Thomas in Chicago; Santa Teresa in Chicago; Trinity in Chicago Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk: La Ascención in Veracruz; St. Michael in Geiger Centre

In the Parish Cycle of Prayer:

James and Donna Jones. Outreach Ministry, La Divina Providencia, St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.



Nancy Garcia
Leslie-Burton Ewing
Lee Gustafson
Kenneth Jacobsen
Charles Clayton
Adekunte Lawal
Jean Forstall



Stephen & Elizabeth Lloyd

*The Search Committee is resuming **Small Group Sessions** and would like to engage all members of the parish in these meetings. Please click the following link to sign up for one of the sessions,*

https://doodle.com/poll/qcyvdvmpyy6c77hp?utm_source=poll&utm_medium=link.

If you would rather engage in an in person session please contact McAllister Cox.



Meet our Meeting Owl Pro

Meeting Owl Pro is a premium 360-degree camera, mic, and speaker combined into one easy-to-use device. It creates the experience of in-person participation for hybrid teams and integrates seamlessly with our conferencing platforms.

Thanks so much to our techies, McAllister Cox and Melissa Jacobsen, for their continuing efforts to improve our Zoom experience!



ASH WEDNESDAY
AND
LENTEN STUDY

We are invited to join Trinity Lutheran or St. John the Evangelist for their Ash Wednesday services. St. John's will have a short service of Imposition of Ashes at 7:00 PM and 2 Masses with imposition of ashes at 12:00 and 7:00 PM. These services will also be streamed on their website via Facebook Live. They have not made any decisions about a Lenten study yet.

Trinity may possibly have an in-person Ash Wednesday service, but will have an online service for sure. Service time and a Zoom link will be provided when available. They also have invited us to participate in a Lenten study, but there are no details yet on that.

February 16 COVID-19 Update

Dear People of God in the Diocese of Chicago,

With the announcement by Governor Pritzker on February 9 that Illinois's indoor mask mandate will be lifted at the end of the month, we believe it is again time to release you from restrictions imposed by diocesan guidelines, and ask that you and your leadership work together to discern prayerfully and thoughtfully the guidelines you will put in place for your own community to be effective no earlier than February 28, 2022.

Please note that the Governor's lifting of the indoor mask mandate does not apply in all settings. The restrictions imposed by localities, businesses, and some federally funded services (e.g., public transportation, Medicare/Medicaid funded institutions) supersede the State's decision. As a congregation, you can still require that masks be worn while indoors. Equally important is to know that as of the date of this letter, Illinois does not yet meet the CDC criteria for low or moderate community transmission. Additionally, vaccines for children under age five are still not available. As you and your leaders discern next steps for your congregation, it is critical to consider carefully and thoughtfully the myriad of needs, concerns, and perspectives that will be present in your context.

There are a number of areas about which we do want to be more specific:

- Even if you decide that your congregation will continue wearing masks indoors, preachers, readers, and leaders of prayers may remove their masks while engaging in these parts of the liturgy.
- Social gatherings (e.g., coffee hour) that include the removal of masks for eating and drinking may resume.
- While we ask that you continue to refrain from using the common cup, you may return to using a common loaf of bread for communion as long as wafers are available for those who desire that option. If your practice is to offer communion wine, individual cups of wine poured from a large cruet or flagon should still be the practice.

It is important to remember that even though the State's indoor mask mandate will be lifted, we know that there are many people in our communities who cannot or may not be vaccinated, especially children and immunocompromised people. As you make your plans, please make intentional provision for safely welcoming those who are not vaccinated.

Courtney Reid will continue to hold weekly office hours on Wednesdays from 12:30-1:00 PM throughout March via Zoom to answer questions and provide support. The Zoom link is published in e-news.

Throughout the pandemic, we have been guided by a thoughtful and talented group of leaders. We are so very grateful for their guidance and input. And lastly, we are grateful for your continued leadership through this challenging time. May we continue to move forward with God's grace.



Something to watch...

In her sermon on Sunday, reflecting on the Gospel reading from Luke 6: 27-38, Rev. Sandra Castillo referenced Howard Thurman. His biography can be found on Youtube. The program is called "**Backs Against the Wall: The Howard Thurman Story**". Rev. Thurman was one of the most important religious figures of the 20th century. The grandson of slaves, he became a "spiritual foundation" for the Civil Rights Movement, and was a mentor to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

COVID-19

Novel Coronavirus



Wash hands often with soap and water



Stay at least 6 feet away from others



Don't touch eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands



Wear a cloth face covering when you have to leave your home



Avoid crowded places and social gatherings



If you become sick call your health care provider

Submissions for the Weekly I-Announcements are due by Tuesday of the week to be announced.

