

From Your Chaplain, Fr. Dan Brandt...

Congratulations to **PO Allison Sweeney**, who won an **Emmy Award** for her video honoring the memory of **CPD Canine BRIX**, partner of **PO/Canine Handler Tara Poremba**. Brix passed away in March after a battle with cancer. Allison's video highlights the grieving process for a deceased police canine...truly a member of our family! Pictured here at the Emmy Award ceremony are **Lt. Bob Kane**, Allison (holding her Emmy), Tara (holding a picture of Brix), and **CPD News Affairs Director Anthony Guglielmi**. Keep up the great work!



The Chaplains Section will host a **Kids' Cooking Class** for CPD youth ages 10-14. Your kids can join us Thursday, 27 DEC, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at Kid's Table, 2337 W. North Avenue. Your little ones will learn how to make healthy meal choices and prepare one delicious meal. RSVP right away to Chaplain Kimberly Lewis-Davis at 312-771-6638. Space is limited.



On Friday, 16 NOV, **Lt. Tom Cronin, Deputy Chief George Devereux and all the chaplains** spent 12 hours serving sloppy joe sandwiches to the ALL watches in the 005th District and Area South. It was our honor to feed the men and women of 005 and A/S in

light of some traumatic losses they've endured in recent months. Pictured here is **FTO Kempes Chambers (005)** and me enjoying a sloppy joe and receiving a dog



tag from **Chaplain Bob Montelongo**. The dog tag features the Blue Line Flag on one side, and on the other side, Matthew 5:9 ("Blessed are the peacemakers..."). If you'd like one of these dog tags, Chaplain Montelongo will be happy to send you one, free of charge. Just send him an email at Robert.Montelongo@ChicagoPolice.org, or call 773-459-5089.

On **Christmas** morning, the police Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. at Mercy Home (1140 W. Jackson). Note the change in time for the holiday. All are welcome!

For your last-minute holiday shopping convenience, take a look at the "**Merchandise**" page on our website. There you'll find reasonably-priced t-shirts, lapel pins, umbrellas, challenge coins, mugs and tumblers.



Finally, as we celebrate the holidays, let us be mindful of two members of our police family who will *not* be at the Christmas dinner table: **Commander Paul Bauer** (EOW 13 FEB 2018) and **Officer Samuel Jimenez** (EOW 19 NOV 2018).

If you would like a memorial card for either/both, let me know and I'll be happy to send them. **May Paul and Sam rest in peace, and may their families know of our love and prayerful support during these difficult days.**

God bless you and your family during this holiday season!

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