From Your Chaplain, Fr. Dan Brandt...

The police family experiences challenges in their marriages particular to this vocation. Therefore, active and retired CPD members are invited to attend the Superintendent's Speaker Series addressing this issue. Facilitated by Chaplain Kimberly Lewis-Davis and a panel of police couples (both LEO's married to other LEO's and those married to civilians), the presentation is entitled, "Strengthening Marriages and Navigating the Complexities of Law-Enforcement Marriages." We will address items unique to these couples and share successes and pitfalls.

The presentation will be held on Monday, 24 FEB from 1000-1300 hrs in the multipurpose room at CPD headquarters. There is no charge. To register, please contact Chief Barbara West at Barbara.West@ChicagoPolice.org. For more information, contact Chaplain Kimberly Lewis-Davis at Kimberly.LewisDavis@ChicagoPolice.org or call 312-771-6638.

In the event your marriage lacks the spark it once had, I'd like to share with you one more marriage resource, offered by the Catholic Church...

No matter how much you're hurting... No Marriage is Beyond Hope.

IS YOUR MARRIAGE MISERABLE? Retrouvaille is a lifeline for couples in struggling marriages who are suffering from a lack of connection and poor communication. Retrouvaille helps heal marriages on the brink of separation or divorce.

RETROUVAILLE CAN HELP YOU SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE! Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples facing difficulties in their marriage restore their connection and rebuild a loving relationship. This marriage-saving program provides couples with actionable steps they can take to improve communication, build a stronger marriage and help them reconnect.

TAKE THE FIRST STEP...ATTEND A WEEKEND!

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program or to register for our March 13-15, 2020 weekend in Darien, call 815-246-2080, email retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com, follow us on Facebook (@retrouvaillejoliet) or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.



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On recent rounds throughout the districts, we renewed our passports and ventured to 004, where I ran into PO Tim Andersen, keeping crime at bay on the southeast side. Keep up the great work, Tim and the South Chicago gang!

Ash Wednesday is 26 FEB. In keeping with time-honored tradition, CPD Chaplains will distribute blessed ashes at various locations throughout the city. The schedule will be posted in the daily bulletin and on our website.

Finally, this month (13 FEB), we mark the two-year anniversary of **Commander Paul Bauer's** murder. As I stated clearly at his funeral Mass (and since), Paul's life wasn't "given," as so many outlets stated. It was TAKEN. It was STOLEN from his family and us by a four-time convicted felon who should have NEVER been on the street. This lenient penal system should be remembered as we head to the polling booths very soon.

The name of Paul's murderer has already been forgotten by many. But Paul Bauer's name and legacy, along with his wife Erin and daughter Grace, will ALWAYS be remembered.



Memorial cards from Paul's funeral (and

many of our LOD funerals) are available for download from our website (ChicagoPCM.org). If you'd like one mailed to you, just let me know...my contact info is below.

Thank you for doing (or having done) God's work!

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