

From Your Directing Chaplain, Fr. Dan Brandt...



Recently on our weekly rounds, I bumped into Officers Allyson Reboyras (L) and Alyssa Aguinaga on a job of theirs in 025. Thank you two (and all your brothers and sisters) for doing God's work!!

Thanks, also, to the many parishes (most recently, Queen of Martyrs in Evergreen Park) for inviting me to celebrate blue Masses.

Our next blue Mass will be offered Sunday, 04 DEC, 10:30 a.m. at St. Nicholas of Tolentine on the southwest side. Come pray with fellow active and retired members of the police family!

Don't forget our regular twice-monthly police Masses offered at Mercy Home. In order to allow for social distancing, these Masses are celebrated in the indoor soccer field at Adams and Aberdeen. Mass is held the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 11:00 a.m. and, for the sake of on-duty worshippers, is kept under 30 minutes. (Please note on Thanksgiving and Christmas day, the police Mass is celebrated at 10:00 a.m. in the same location.)

On 19 NOV, we commemorate the four-year anniversary of PO Samuel Jimenez's death at Mercy Hospital. Sam's memorial card—and many others—can be downloaded from our website. May he and all our fallen heroes rest in peace!

Attention married couples: Chaplain Kimberly Lewis-Davis is putting together a police marriage weekend retreat. It'll be held the weekend before Valentine's Day. Mark your calendar to come strengthen your marriage with a dozen or so other couples! Enrollment is limited, and attendee costs are offset by Police Chaplains Ministry and the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation. To reserve your spot, please email Chaplain Kimberly Lewis-Davis at Kimberly.LewisDavis@ChicagoPolice.org.



Here's a challenge our retired members will especially enjoy: email me with the name of this 18th-district retiree, and I'll send you a CPD Chaplains Ministry challenge coin! The picture was taken at the German American Police Association's Oktoberfest last month, if that helps!

Finally, this holiday-season time of year can be pretty stressful. Please keep in mind the REAL meaning of this season. If you feel you need an ear or more to cope with these busy times, we're here for you...as are your EAP clinicians. Don't hesitate to call on us.

May God bless you and keep you safe and healthy!

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