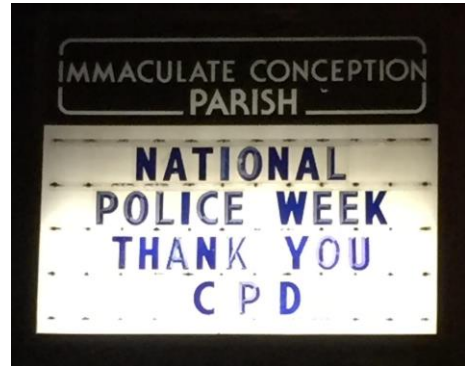


Fr. Dan Brandt's Corner...

This past month I noticed another church sign showing gratitude that the general public has for your work. These are educated folks who prefer the **truth** over a liberal anti-police spin on current events. Thank God for an informed, grateful public.

This particular sign is mounted outside Immaculate Conception Catholic Church at Harlem and Talcott, right next to Resurrection Hospital. To those CPD members who call this parish home, please thank your pastor for his support!



We recently mailed a letter to all of our regular Police Chaplains Ministry supporters, asking for financial assistance for our 21st annual summer Gold Star Families outing. Later this month **we are again taking the Gold Star Families on a lakefront cruise aboard the *Spirit of Chicago***. It's a first-class event, as **we** (yes, with *your* help – **WE**) take care of everything: VIP parking, food, entertainment, pictures, etc. Our cruise ship is even escorted by CPD Marine Units with blue lights flashing. The most important component of our wonderful day together is this: we once again remind Gold Star Families that the loved ones they lost in the line of duty are **NEVER FORGOTTEN!** See some pictures from previous years' events on our website's "Photo Album" page.

If you would like to help make this outing a success with your **100% tax-deductible contribution**, please visit our website or send a check to Police Chaplains Ministry, 1140 W. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60607. (Via CPD mail, you can reach us at Unit 118.) If you did *not* receive a mailing but would like to be added to our mailing list, click on "Join our mailing list" on the website.



As always, we will celebrate a special **Fathers' Day Mass** at Gold Star Memorial and Park at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, 19 JUN. Being an outdoor venue, if the weather looks questionable, please call (773) 550-2369 that morning to make sure the Mass is on. You are welcome to bring folding chairs or a blanket.

On Thursday, 14 JUL, **O'Brien's Restaurant** (at North and Wells in Old Town) is generously hosting a fundraiser **Happy Hour for the Police Chaplains Ministry**. \$50 gets you unlimited food and drink from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. that evening. We are limited to 75 guests...so get your name on the list by calling or emailing me (below). Come on out...I guarantee you'll be in good company!!!

As I wrap up: a word of **thanks to the FOP** for honoring the work of the Chaplains Ministry in last month's Lodge 7 Magazine. We really appreciate your recognition of our vital work. Further, on a personal note, I am grateful as well to all who participated in my "Archdiocese of Chicago Periodic Ministerial Review Process." It was a most affirming experience, thanks to the many who took time to participate in the survey and provide feedback.

Finally, keeping the 008th District safe are **Officers Gary Condreva and Russ Madia**. After bumping into them on a recent disturbance call during our weekly day on the street, Gary joked, "Let's take a picture so my wife can see my soul is being looked



after!" He was joking, but the fact is, as the Chaplains Ministry boasts on the note pads we distribute:
"Your partner has your back, but we've got your soul!"

We take that responsibility seriously. **God bless you!!**

Fr. Dan Brandt, CPD Chaplain

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