

From Your Chaplain, Fr. Dan Brandt...



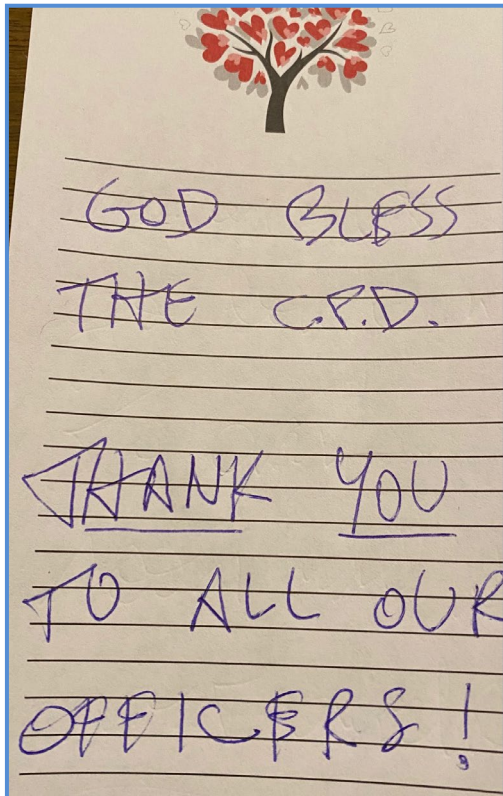
Some good news for a change: despite current circumstances, every Friday at 1:00 p.m. the Chaplains Section continues to facilitate a Bible study/prayer/faith-sharing group at the police academy. No matter your faith tradition, all are welcome to these brief Christian-based gatherings. As with our other gatherings, we practice social distancing, etc.

A similar (though more intimate in size) non-denominational Christian prayer opportunity is offered every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room at Public Safety Headquarters.

And Muslim (Jumma) prayers are offered every Friday at 1:00 p.m. in room 202 of the academy.



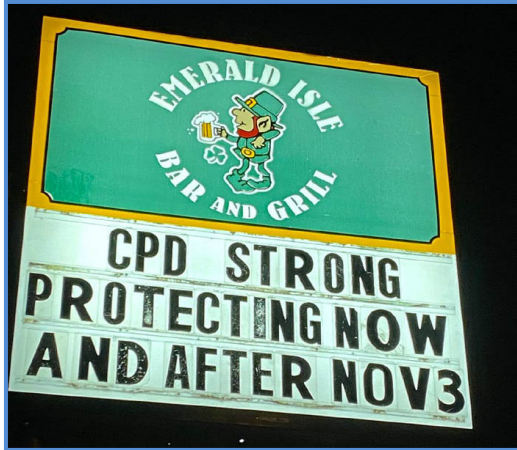
If you'd like more information about these gatherings, please email Joseph.Jackson@ChicagoPolice.org, Kimberly.LewisDavis@ChicagoPolice.org, or Hysni.Selenica@ChicagoPolice.org.



St. John Cantius Parish recently hosted a Blue Mass on 29 SEP, the feast of St. Michael the Archangel. I was delighted to celebrate that Mass and see so many CPD members and their families present...but even more heartened to see support from the community for the outstanding work you do every day.

That said, I thought you'd enjoy seeing a note I recently received with a donation for our Gold Star Families.

It gets better... How about this sign outside a popular northwest side bar/restaurant...maybe you've seen it!



Please know the vast majority of our taxpaying, law-abiding, educated citizens are grateful for your God-ordained work.

While the weather remains agreeable, Chaplain Joe Jackson is organizing a regular BIKING WITH THE CHAPLAINS trip to different locations throughout



the city and surrounding area. Let's explore

God's beautiful creation while getting some fresh air and enjoying each other's company. For scheduling information, or if you have a suggested bike path, please email Joseph.Jackson@ChicagoPolice.org.

Finally, I recently had the opportunity to sit down for a couple hours with a CPD couple who shared with me a prayer they recite every day. With their permission, I share it here:

God, I know that you are good, even if I cannot see the good right now.

I know that you love me, even though I don't feel you right now.

God, please come closer to me. Fill me with your Spirit.

Rid my heart of the fear and hurt I have.

Surround me with comfort, strength, and wisdom.

Pour your love into me, into my spouse, and into my marriage.

Help me to wait. And please be with me in the waiting.

- Amen

Thank you for supporting our vital work as we support yours! God bless you and keep you healthy and safe.

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