

From Your Chaplain, Fr. Dan Brandt...

As you well know, these are not easy times! From a worldwide pandemic to nationwide violence, civil unrest and a common anti-police feel, doing your God-ordained work has never been tougher. Add to that the recent suicide of a well-known and well-liked boss (may he rest in peace!), and reporting to work can seem like quite a daunting task. However...as I've said countless times: please never lose sight of the fact that YOU ARE DOING GOD'S WORK, and our Creator smiles on you for it.



Multi-generational CPD officer Bryan Casey from 015 is keeping peace at Madison and Central...certainly not an easy job these days! Kudos to his siblings and parents who have all chosen the most noble profession in the world.

I was honored to join Bryan and his team for an evening of

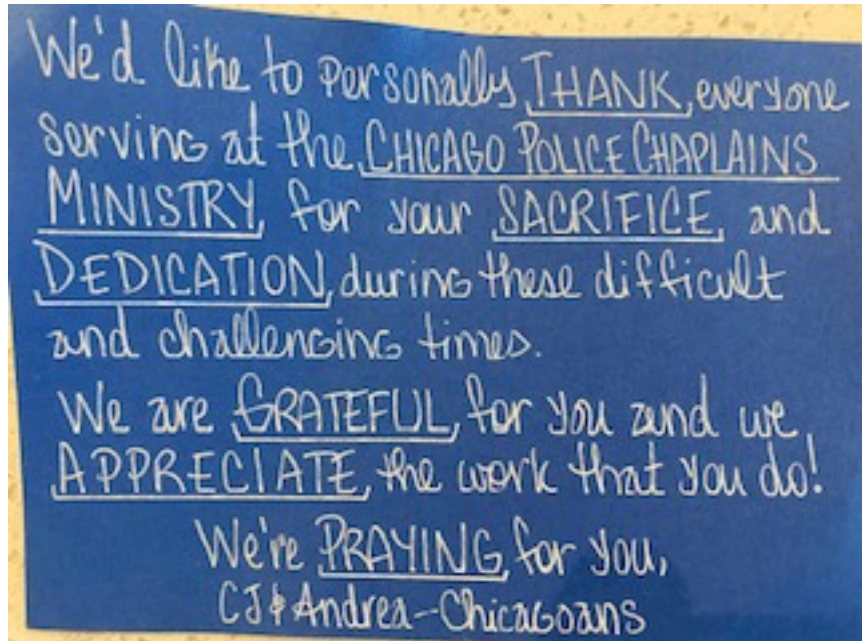
reminding our officers (and the troublemakers they faced) that our men and women in blue are doing God's work! You'll notice the blue hue on our faces...that's from the sea of blue lights addressing the nonsense across our fine city.

Nice to see the smile on Bryan's face, despite his hostile surroundings. Here's another set of smiling faces and a challenge for you: the first three active/retired members who email me with



BOTH these officers' names will win a Police Chaplains Ministry t-shirt and challenge coin. The answer and winners will be in next month's column. In the meantime, officers, keep smiling like these two!

In light of recent events and anti-police rhetoric, it's nice to receive a note in the mail like this one. Please remember that the VAST majority of educated, law-abiding, taxpaying, productive members of society are genuinely grateful for the work our police faithfully carry out on a daily basis. Since I can't say it enough, I'll say it again: YOU ARE DOING GOD'S WORK! Please do not ever lose sight of that fact.



Finally, 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.



God bless you and keep you safe!

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