



HAPPY EASTER: From Fr. Dan Brandt, CPD Chaplain...

So, we have finished the season of Lent, during which I hope you had the chance for increased prayer, a taste of sacrifice, and increased generosity to good causes.

Why stop now that Lent is over and Easter (Passover) are behind us?!?!

Mindful of your need to pay bills, feed and educate kids, etc., I hope you'll continue to be generous to worthy causes. THANK YOU to all who sponsored Chaplain Bob Montelongo and me as we had our heads shaved a couple weeks ago for the St. Baldrick's Foundation, raising money and awareness for children's cancer research!

I also hope you'll continue to exercise extra discipline when it comes to your behavior and attitude at home or on the street. Go out of your way, please, to treat your loved ones and those you encounter at work, at the store, or elsewhere, as if they are Christ Himself.

Finally, I encourage you to get to church/synagogue/mosque/*wherever*, especially if that's *not* part of your regular routine. Know that you are always welcome there. While communal prayer is fruitful, please pray *also* at home (with your family—at meal and bed time), or before lunch with your partner, or on your way to/from work, or ANYWHERE. (There's NO wrong place or way to pray!)

Please pray also for our troops' safety and well being next month at the NATO Summit. **Chaplain Joe Jackson is organizing a prayer team for this very necessary cause.** If you'd like to commit to this effort, please contact Chaplain Jackson at 312/771-6684 or joseph.jackson@chicagopolice.org.

The NATO Summit lapel pins are making quite a hit. These \$5.00 pins are available at the FOP store and most uniform outlets. For more information, please visit our website: www.ChicagoPCM.org.

Happy Easter season! Christian, Jewish, *whatever*...may you know God's peace at this beautiful time of the year.

See you on the street,
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