

From your Chaplain, Fr. Dan Brandt...

On a recent night out in 008, Chaplain/PO Bob Montelongo and I heard a "Man with a gun" call on Western Avenue. We were a block away and scooted over there to find out it was a nonsense call (imagine that!).

We ran into PO's Brian Sullivan and Colin Prendergast, who along with Bob produced three Rosaries. These three report to work armed with this most valuable and reliable weapon in their vest pocket. Thanks to them, I have picked up this practice when out with the troops. **If you would like a Rosary** to carry with you when on the street, please email Chaplain Bob Montelongo (on our website's home page), and he'll be happy to send you one.

For more pictures like the above, where you're sure to see folks you know, see the "Photo Album" page on our website.

May is the month when many Christians remember the Blessed Mother, Mary, the vessel who brought us Jesus Christ. How appropriate that we should remember (not deify or worship, but honor and revere) this young Jewish heroine.

May is also the month we remember our fallen brothers and sisters. **St. Jude League stickers** are still available. A donation of \$7.00 per sticker is requested. Buy some for your friends and family! Funds raised benefit a host of worthy charities, and help the ministry of St. Jude Chaplains who lead prayer services at CPD family wakes. For more information about obtaining your sticker, or if your unit rep ran out of them (or if you don't know who your rep is), please contact me or one of the CPD Chaplains.

In the event you have this newsletter in your hands in time for **Mothers Day**, please note that Sunday, 11 MAY, our usual Police Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. (rather than the regular 11:00 start). Bring Mom to the police Mass that morning if you'd like. If Mom is no longer with us, let me know ahead of time, and we'll remember her in our prayers for the deceased that day.

Also, mark your calendar: as always, we will celebrate a special **Fathers' Day Mass** at Gold Star Memorial and Park at 10:00 a.m. Sunday, 15 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...and even a picnic lunch for after Mass.

The police Mass usually runs under 30 minutes...so you can squeeze it into your lunch break if you're working. Catholic or not, you're always welcome to pray with us.

God bless you in your most worthy and noble work!

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