



From Your Chaplain, Fr. Dan Brandt...

PO Danielle Mann from 007, serving in Afghanistan, lists red, white and blue among her favorite colors. Here, however, she shows some other favorite colors of black and white! Thank you, Danielle, and others who have switched uniforms and continue to serve.

Thank you also to the **CPD Survivors Group**, who on 19 FEB hosted a **resource night** at the FOP hall. Lined up were many programs, resources, outreaches and information beneficial to

department members. More information on what the CPD Survivors offer on a volunteer and confidential basis to department members and retirees can be found at www.ChicagoPoliceSurvivors.com.

One more thank you: the **011 District's first watch** held a split-the-pot raffle at their recent holiday party. They raised \$800 (\$400 to be given to the raffle's winner, and \$400 to Police Chaplains Ministry). PO Jose Cabanin, who won the raffle, donated his winnings back to the cause. Thank you, Jose, and first watch officers from 011 for your very generous support of this vital 501(c)3 charitable organization.

St. Jude League stickers are available from your district/unit St. Jude League representative. A donation of \$7.00 per sticker is requested. Buy some for your friends and family! Funds raised benefit a host of worthy charities. It also helps the ministry of St. Jude Chaplains who lead prayer services at CPD family wakes. For more information about obtaining your sticker, or if you don't know who your rep is, please contact me.

I had the honor last month of taking a turn celebrating a monthly **St. Michael League Mass**, at which attendees (mostly grateful civilians) pray for the safety and well-being of first responders. I'm told attendance was up five times from usual last month, thanks to many friendly CPD faces and familiar souls present. This Mass is offered regularly at two locations: every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church (95th/Lawndale), and every 4th Sunday at 10:00 a.m. at the Monastery of the Holy Cross (31st/Aberdeen). While this is a Catholic Mass, all are welcome.

Also, the **Shrine of St. Michael at St. Rita High School** at 7740 S. Western Avenue, dedicated to the memory of E/T Mike Flisk (star 6962, EOW 27 NOV 2010), is available to police officers any time the building is open. Make a visit when you're in the area, and spend a few minutes of silent prayer in a beautiful and peaceful setting!

Our "**Upper Room Club**" continues to meet, sharing faith and studying the Bible, every first Monday of the month from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Pizano's Pizza (Division/Hoyne).

Finally, you're *always* welcome at the **police Mass** every 2nd and 4th Sunday at 11:00 a.m. at Mercy Home, 1140 W. Jackson Blvd. Mass is kept under 30 minutes for those who would like to attend during their lunch break. No matter your faith tradition, you are welcome to attend.

As we progress through the Lenten season, I look forward to seeing you at one of the above places!

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