

Fr. Dan Brandt's Corner...

Thank you to all who planned, executed, and attended last month's **Police Suicide Awareness and Prevention Seminar** in Oak Brook. Over 250 participants enjoyed a free all-day presentation and even a free lunch, thanks to the **Chicago Police Memorial Foundation**, Motorola Solutions, McDonalds Corporation, and several hard-working organizers. It is important that we continue to address (and pray for an end to) the unpleasant reality of police suicide.

St. Jude Police 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 members' cars! Funds raised benefit a host of worthy charities, and make possible 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.

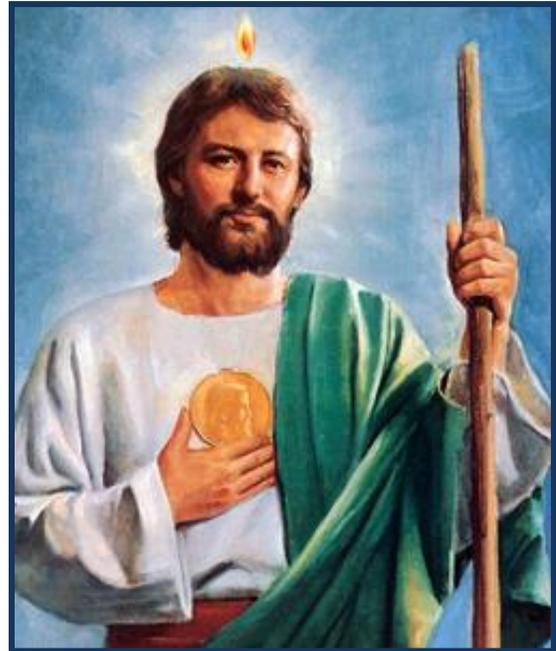
I hope to see you at the **annual St. Jude March**. **This year it is scheduled for Sunday, 06 MAY, 8:00 a.m. step-off**, at the usual spot near Gold Star Families Memorial and Park.

Mothers' Day is approaching Sunday, 13 MAY.

Bring Mom to the police Mass that morning (noting the change in Mass time to 10:00 a.m.). It's held at the usual location: Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, 1140 W. Jackson Boulevard. More information about the police Mass is available on our website. If your Mom is no longer with us, feel free to email or call me with her name, and we'll remember her in our prayers for the deceased that day.

Do you use **Amazon.com**? Please designate "Police Chaplains Ministry Fund" as your Amazon Smile recipient, and our vital ministry will receive .5% of your purchases at NO COST TO YOU. It's a great (and painless) way to support Police Chaplains Ministry.

Also, when looking for a business to patronize, be sure to check out the "LINKS" page on our website... there you'll find several **police-owned and police-friendly businesses** who would appreciate your support.





Recently on our Wednesday night rounds in the districts, Chaplain Bob Montelongo and I bumped into **Officers David DeLeon and Jason Fong from 011**. This dynamic duo is certainly helping to make the west side a safer place for residents to enjoy. Keep up the great work, David and Jason!

While Easter was celebrated by Christians earlier this month, the Easter *season* continues for 50 days through Pentecost. So even though the decorations are down, the chocolate is eaten, and (hopefully!) all the hidden eggs are found, I still wish you a **HAPPY EASTER SEASON!**

Stay safe and keep the faith,

Fr. Dan Brandt, CPD Chaplain

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