

From Your Chaplain, Fr. Dan Brandt...

Caty (Curry) Hansen, an extended member of the CPD family and teacher at **St. Francis Borgia Catholic School**, allowed Police Chaplains Ministry to again participate with them in sending care packages to Chicago Police Officers who are military reservists currently deployed overseas. We sent packages to ten CPD officers with all kinds of goodies from those who love them and appreciate their service.



Please remember them and ALL our troops in your prayers! Here you'll see the school's principal, Mrs. Susan Betzolt (far right), along with some of the students who packaged all our goodies. Thank you Mrs. Hansen and faculty/kids/parents from St. Francis Borgia School!

In light of today's craziness, we are hoping to celebrate our next police Mass at Mercy Home on Sunday, 26 APR...but check our website to confirm that we're on.

At the time of publication, we don't know if this is a go...but if so, I hope to see you at the 88th annual **St. Jude march** on Sunday, 03 MAY, 8:00 a.m at the usual spot outside the Chicago Police Gold Star Families Memorial and Park.

You can support the St. Jude League by purchasing a **St. Jude sticker** 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/funerals. For more information about obtaining a sticker, or if you don't know who your rep is, please contact me.

Mothers' Day is Sunday, 10 MAY. Again, hoping things are back to normal by then, please 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 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.

On 17 JUL 1970, Sgt. James L. Severin and Officer Anthony N. Rizzato were killed by sniper fire outside Cabrini Green. On Saturday, 18 JUL 2020, 11:00 a.m., a 50th anniversary memorial tribute will be held at the 018th District to honor these two heroes.

Finally, a **CPD SPOUSES' RESOURCE GROUP** is also available.. If your spouse would like to participate in this group, which meets monthly in a central location, please let me know and I'll put you in touch with the group's chairperson.

May God bless you and keep you safe AND HEALTHY!

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P.S. If the CPD Chaplains can ever be of ANY assistance/support to CPD members, retirees or families, please don't hesitate to call on us: Chaplain Bob Montelongo (773/459-5089), Chaplain Joe Jackson (312/771-6684), Chaplain Hysni Selenica (312/771-6692), Chaplain Kimberly Lewis-Davis (312/771-6638), Rabbi Moshe Wolf (773/463-4780), or me (773/550-2369). All of these numbers (also listed in your FOP directory under "Chaplains") are cell phones and receive text messages. You can also email us through the chaplains' website.