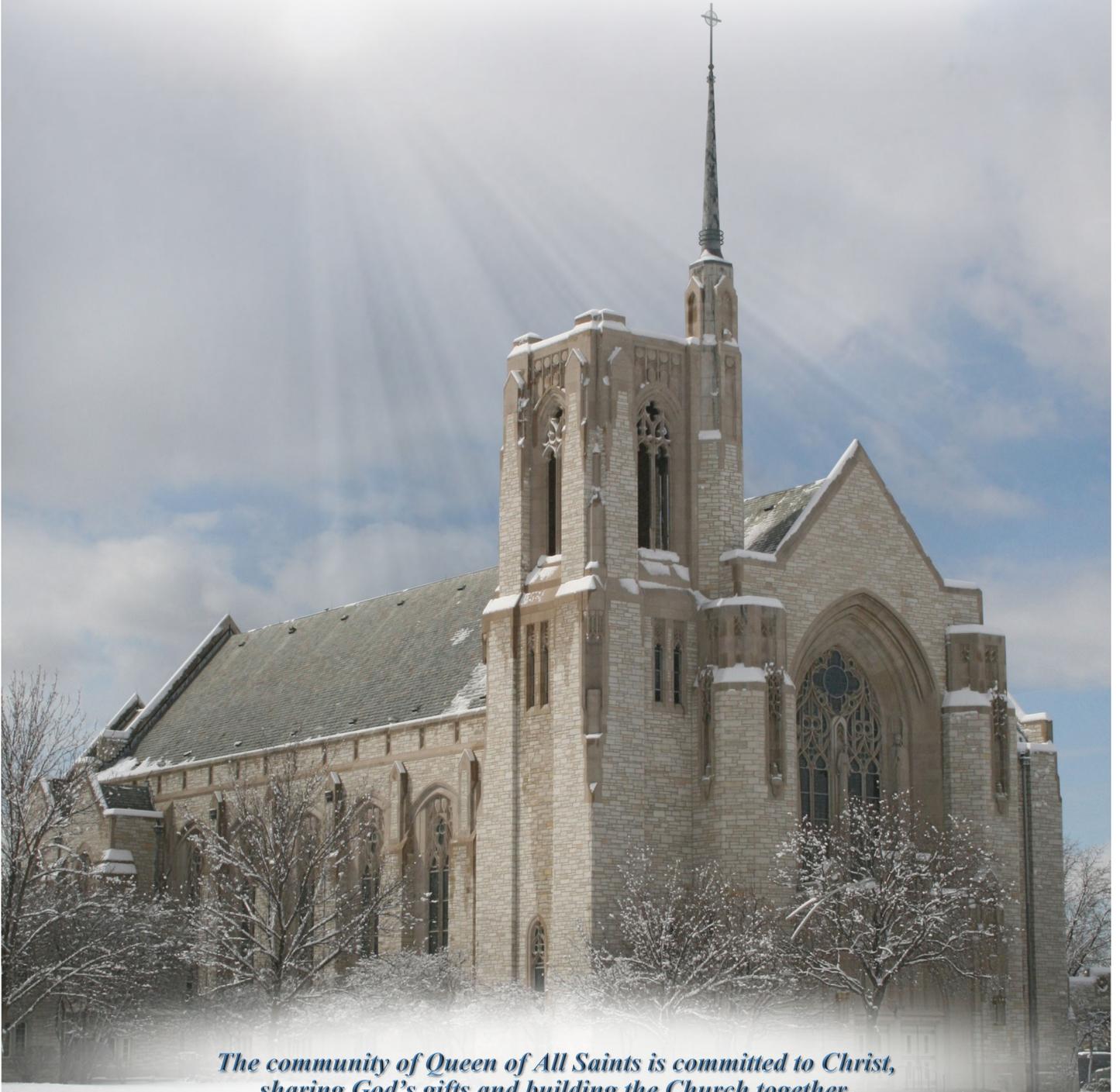


# QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS BASILICA

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DECEMBER 29TH, 2019

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*The community of Queen of All Saints is committed to Christ,  
sharing God's gifts and building the Church together,  
through word, worship and service.*

# FROM FATHER SIMON



I spent Christmas Eve with one family and Christmas Day with another. Between these two meals, I ‘face-timed’ my siblings and their families in India. Having spent Christmas with these families, two beautiful experiences stand out for me – hospitality and goodness – both striking qualities of Jesus’ life and mission. Both families were genuinely welcoming and made a space for me to feel part of their gathering. They not only shared their food, they also shared what is most precious to them – their lives and the joys and struggles of their hearts. Both families were also deeply appreciative of the goodness of each other. They were full of gratitude in recognition of the true blessing and gift each one is for the other.

Christmas is really a family story, and we know there’s no substitute for the gifts that family provides. When we gaze at the crib, we might think that our family doesn’t look much like the Holy Family. There is too much hustle and bustle, pain, busyness, confusion and mess in our families.

But let’s stop right there for a moment and put the Holy Family in context. Today’s Gospel should focus our thoughts more clearly. Perhaps we tend to polish up the manger, making it a bit unreal? “Little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes” isn’t how it really was. This was a family that knew real struggle. Today St. Matthew shows us that theirs was a story of homelessness, poverty, exile, the threat of violence, hopefully problems that we’ll never need to deal with. In the eyes of the world, they were without status, a family trying to escape the unfairness of life.

The struggles that came along, however, never quenched their incredible love for God and for one another. This was what made them “holy.” Paul’s letter to the Colossians shows us where holiness can be found within our own families. Sometimes the pressures of life will be intense. But when we make the effort to put aside our busyness to celebrate with our loved ones, we can be sure that God is there with us. When we show forgiveness and forbearance, letting go of our hurts, we come to understand a little more of the mystery of God in our world. We remember gratefully those times when someone in our family let us know that we were cherished. In all these ways we grow in awareness of God’s great love for us.

So today, on the Feast of the Holy Family, let’s cherish each other’s presence while we can still be together. Can we make sure that respect, love and care never go out of fashion in our families and resolve that we will always leave our loved ones with loving words? All of this is God’s work, helping to awaken our appreciation of God’s boundless love for each one of us. It is said ‘where you are, you will find God’. The more we experience God’s love within our families, the more ‘holy families’ there will be.

Blessings!!



# UPCOMING DATES

## 2020 UPP Field of Dreams Gala



Mark your calendars! Queen of All Saints Parish is celebrating our 91st year in 2020 and we are excited to honor this special anniversary at our Field of Dreams gala on Friday, May 15, 2020. We hope you will join us. Watch future parish communications for details on the UPP and the gala.

*Looking forward to 100 years!*

# 1929 - 2029

## Solemnity of Mary Masses

January 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for this Holy Day will be:

- Tuesday, December 31, Vigil Mass at 5pm
- Wednesday, January 1, morning Masses at 8:00, 10am & 12 noon.

Please note December 31 has only ONE morning Mass at 8:30am.



## Save the Date!

### PARISH LENTEN MISSION

# MARCH 2 - 3 - 4

## 2020

## 7:30PM

### SPEAKER

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# SCHOOL NEWS



Dear Parishioner,

Queen of All Saints School is grateful to you for supporting the advancement of Catholic school education. I am writing about a unique opportunity for Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic schools. The State of Illinois created a tax credit scholarship program through the “Invest in Kids” Act that is mutually beneficial to students and donors. It provides a 75 percent Illinois State income tax credit to individuals who contribute money to fund scholarships for students to attend private schools. Eligible students from low-income families in Illinois may use these scholarships to attend a non-public school of their choice, including the more than 200 Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic schools in Cook and Lake Counties.

To increase the funds available for scholarships next year, several donors have partnered with the scholarship granting organization Empower Illinois and the Archdiocese of Chicago to create a matching gift pool.

- Every dollar donated to this program through Empower Illinois between Dec. 1, 2019 and Feb. 29, 2020 and designated to a school operated by the Archdiocese of Chicago will be matched with two dollars from this pool (limitations apply). The program will end when all matching funds have been depleted or on Feb. 29, 2020, whichever comes first.
- A \$5,000 donation will have a tremendous impact. With the 75 percent tax credit you receive on the donation and this match, it will have a net cost to you of \$1,250 and will provide \$15,000 in scholarships for low-income families.
- After April 1, 2020, any matching gift program funds that are not awarded at a designated school will be reallocated to low-income students at schools with unmet demand.
- Donors who would like to receive the tax credit for their 2019 taxes should begin the process prior to Dec. 16, 2019 to ensure they have enough time to make their gift by Dec. 31, 2019.

We also want to share with you this message from Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago, regarding the importance of the tax credit scholarship program. Please visit <https://schools.archchicago.org/tax-credit-scholarships>

We hope you will join us in supporting Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic schools and provide more children a quality Catholic school education. For more information, please contact me or the archdiocese’s Tax Credit Scholarship Office at [tcs@archchicago.org](mailto:tcs@archchicago.org) or 312.534.2617.

Kind regards,

Emily Carlson  
Principal

# SCHOOL NEWS & MORE

## Catholic Schools Week Mass and Open House Sunday, January 26



Queen of All Saints is a PreK - 8 Catholic school. We invite you to our Catholic Schools Week Open House immediately following the 11am Mass. Learn about our academics, athletics, fine arts, STEM and more. We will begin accepting applications for the 2020/21 school year on January 26.

Come see our 2018 National Blue Ribbon School!

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## School Registration

Registration for new and transfer students wishing to enter Queen of All Saints School in August 2020 will begin on **Sunday, January 26**, after the 11am Catholic School's Week Mass. Registration will be held from 12 noon until 1:30pm in the Holy Name Room, along with our Curriculum Fair/Open House.



After January 26, registration applications can be picked up on school days between 9am and 1pm at the main school office. For more information call us at 773.736.0567 or visit our website at [qasschool.org](http://qasschool.org).

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph - December 29, 2019

Over all [other virtues] put on love, that is, the bond of perfection.

— *Colossians 3:14*



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## Dates to Remember

- 3rd Grade Family Mass - Sunday, February 2, 9:30am
- Single Parents Family Mass - January 12 at 9:30am

## Parish Newsletter

Are you receiving our monthly newsletter? It's a great way to keep track of the many parish opportunities in which you can take part including worship ministries, social activities and stewardship. If you are not receiving the newsletter, simply send your email address to [qasoffice@qasparish.org](mailto:qasoffice@qasparish.org).

# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

## 2020 MARCH FOR LIFE CHICAGO

Registration & Information: [www.MarchForLifeChicago.org](http://www.MarchForLifeChicago.org)

**JANUARY 11, 2020**



### 8AM - 12PM YOUTH RALLY

Join hundreds of teens for energetic music and inspiring talks on the beauty of life from headliners Greg & Lizzy.



### 8AM - 5:30PM CONVENTION

Meet 30+ organizations from 12+ states! Get connected to live pro-life year round. Free with registration.



### 1-3PM RALLY & MARCH at DALEY PLAZA

Thousands march in the streets for life!

Speakers feature:

- Claire Culwell (abortion survivor)
- Dr. Karen Dieghan
- Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison, and more!

Full list at [www.MarchforLifeChicago.org](http://www.MarchforLifeChicago.org)

**CATHOLIC MASS: 4 PM** Join Bishop Alberto Rojas in celebrating a Mass for Life. All are welcome!

### 5:30PM - 8:30PM BANQUET

Hear Claire Culwell's full story and raise funds for the largest pro-life event in the Midwest. Banquet includes a cocktail hour, dinner, and a powerful program.



### 8:30PM - 11PM SWING DANCING

Swing by the dance to celebrate life!  
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March & Rally: Daley Plaza | All other: Congress Plaza Hotel

March for Life Chicago is a united front of 50+ organizations standing for life.



# STEWARDSHIP

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## Stewardship at Christmas

Thank you for your generous support of our parish this past year! It is a testament to the stewardship shown by the parishioners of Queen of All Saints, a grateful return of the gifts we have been given - in the service of others.

We all know that our parish has begun a drive to replenish our parish long-term savings, from which we borrowed **to pay for very major basilica ceiling and bell tower projects**, as well as other repairs that have resulted from decades of Chicago winters. These projects were absolutely necessary to keep our basilica in a safe condition for our use in the Masses, liturgies and other events that take place in our sacred space. We have set a goal of a **25% increase in our Sunday/Holy Day collections** as a start in our journey to reach the goal of raising \$5 million to restore our savings safety net.

We also know that our Christmas collection is **our largest special collection of the year**, and is a very necessary part of our being able to support the many ministries, liturgies, and activities that touch us throughout the year.

*Please keep these two important parish goals in mind as you decide on your gift to our parish this Christmas.*

## Find Us on Social Media

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## Today's Readings

*"Wives, be subordinate to your husbands... Husbands, love your wives... Children, obey your parents in everything... Fathers, do not provoke your children..." - (Colossians 3:18-21)*

This is a very often misunderstood scripture quote. Pope Francis said that families, through their life of prayer and love, become "schools of true human growth." Being credible witnesses of Christian love, especially that of family members, exerts the most positive influence on our children. We are all children of God, let us pray and love each other as God, Our Father, does for us.

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS DECEMBER 5 TO DECEMBER 11, 2019

Donation Type	Amount	Users
Envelopes	\$18,234.08	432
Loose Donations	\$3,928.65	n/a
Electronic Giving	\$8,932.33	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$31,095.06</b>	
<b>YTD Total</b>	<b>\$669,734.86</b>	

## A New Year's Resolution Time to Modernize Our Giving?

Is it time to join your fellow parishioners who have already made the move to electronic giving?

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# MASS INTENTIONS

## Sunday, December 29th (The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph)

*All Sunday Masses will be offered for the people of Queen of All Saints and the benefactors of our endowments for the school and the parish*

## Monday, December 30th (Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord)

*School Endowment Fund benefactors, QAS Homebound, George Stegmaier, Gene Marino, Nicholas Achille, Sara Testa, Joseph Mannancheril, Alma & George Brown, John Ranahan, Josefina Rimando Ramos, Tony Andre Pahati, Dr. Esterlita G. Rey, Wilfredo Gameng Jr.*

Readings: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

## Tuesday, December 31st (Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord/St. Sylvester I)

*Deceased members of QAS Widowed Group, Eileen Stegmaier, Gloria Mazurkiewicz, Richard Savage, John Ranahan, Edward Klein, Ferdinand Neuhengen, Anna & Ralph Minx*

Readings: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

## Wednesday, January 1 (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God/The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord/New Year's Day)

*All Masses will be offered for the people of Queen of All Saints and the benefactors of our endowments for the school and the parish*

Readings: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

## Thursday, January 2nd (SS. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen)

*Basilica Fund members, Ruth Stegmaier, Thomas Hergenrother, Ferdinand Neuhengen, Anna & Ralph Minx, Richard F. Scheuer, Juliano T. Lanting, Hanlon & Orocz families*

Readings: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

## Friday, January 3rd (The Most Holy Name of Jesus)

*Helen & Jerry Martin, Ria Erdelyi, John Lutsch, Richard Zajac, Feliciano Landicho*

Readings: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

## Saturday, January 4th (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)

*Dr. Salude "Rocky" Rodriguez, Anthony D. Rodriguez, Joe Kilroy, Charles J. O'Connor, Peter Hermann*

Readings: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

## *Please Pray for Our Recently Deceased*



## Prison Penpal Program

The Order of Malta runs a Prison Penpal Program and we are looking for volunteers to write to inmates. This only takes a few minutes of your time each month and a stamp. The program is completely anonymous and all adult volunteers are welcome.

Men are particularly needed to write to male inmates. We also need Spanish speaking writers.

If you would be willing to give a few minutes of your time once a month to write a letter, please reach out to [maltapenpalprogram@gmail.com](mailto:maltapenpalprogram@gmail.com). We provide all of the necessary support and direction.

*"I was in prison and you visited me..."*

- Matthew 25:36

# QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS BASILICA

## Pastoral Staff

Pastor.....Rev. Simon Braganza  
Pastors Emeriti.....Rev. Msgr. John Pollard  
Rev. Msgr. Wayne F. Prist  
Associate Pastor.....Rev. Walter Cheboi  
Residents.....Rev. Michael Cronin  
Rev. Edward D. Grace  
Pastoral Associate.....Dr. Carole Eipers  
Director of Religious Education.....Erika Tate  
Director of Music.....Dr. Kenneth Sotak  
Assistant Director of Music.....Paul Scavone  
Youth Minister.....Morgan O'Leary

## Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday.....8:30am-4:00pm

## Telephone Numbers

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Parish FAX.....773-736-6099  
School/Preschool.....773-736-0567  
Religious Education Office.....773-286-1939

## Accounting Office

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Project Manager.....Deb Bolash  
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## Queen of All Saints School

Pre K-3 through Grade 8  
Principal.....Emily Carlson  
Administrative Assistant.....Ida Segreti  
School Secretary.....Janet Santicola

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Queen of All Saints School.....www.qasschool.org  
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## Contact Info

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## Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil .....5:00pm  
Sunday.....6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am, 12:30pm

## Daily Mass and Rosary

Monday-Friday.....6:30, 8:30am  
Saturday.....8:00am  
Rosary.....Daily after the 8:30am Mass

## Devotions and Holy Day Masses

Holy Hour.....Monday, 7:00pm  
Please consult the parish bulletin or website for the Holy Day Mass schedule

## The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday.....After the 8:00 am Mass until all are heard

## To Register in the Parish

Please contact the Rectory Office.....773-736-6060

## The Sacrament of Baptism

Queen of All Saints rejoices in the incorporation of new members into the Body of Christ through the Sacrament of Baptism. If you are a registered parishioner, please come to the rectory during business hours to schedule your child's baptism. If it is not possible for you to come to the rectory, please call the rectory to make arrangements. The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is celebrated two or three Sundays of the month, depending on the time of year, at 1:30pm. Please call the rectory for the exact schedule. A Baptismal Preparation class for the parents is required. They are held once a month on alternate Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and must also be scheduled in advance. If an adult or a school age child seeks baptism, special arrangements should be made with one of the priests.

## The Sacrament of Matrimony

Queen of All Saints helps couples prepare not only for their wedding day, but also for the lifelong commitment of living a Christian marriage. Parishioners of Queen of All Saints Basilica who are baptized and free to marry in the Catholic Church may celebrate their marriage in Queen of All Saints Basilica. Couples from Queen of All Saints seeking marriage in Queen of All Saints Basilica should contact one of the parish priests at least six months prior to their intended date of marriage. The couple must meet with one of the priests before the date for the marriage can be confirmed.

## Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is not just a sacrament for those who are at the point of death. As soon as one of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him or her to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived. Therefore, any member of the faithful who is seriously ill because of sickness or advanced age may properly receive this sacrament.

# OTHER NEWS

## Today's Readings

**First Reading** - Those who honor and comfort their parents shall never be forgotten (Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14).

**Psalm** - Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128).

**Second Reading** - You are called into one body. Bear with one another; forgive one another; let Christ's peace control you (Colossians 3:12-21 [3:12-17]).

**Gospel** - Joseph rose, took the child and his mother, and fled to Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23).

## CELEBRANT SCHEDULE



**Next Sunday, January 5**  
**5:00pm** - Fr. Walter Cheboi  
**6:45am** - Fr. Simon Braganza  
**8:00am** - Fr. Edward Grace  
**9:30am** - Fr. Michael Cronin  
**11:00am** - Fr. Walter Cheboi  
**12:30pm** - Fr. Robert Heidenreich



## WEDDING BANNES

Nicholas Catino & Samantha Nelson

## Immigration Film Festival 2020

The Archdiocese of Chicago Human Dignity & Solidarity - Immigration Ministry presents "Exploring Immigration Issues through Film and Discussion." Join us on Thursday, January 9, 7pm, at St. Damian, Oak Forest for a showing of the film "Brightness of Noon, Part II." Admission is free. For more dates visit [catholicsandimmigrants.org](http://catholicsandimmigrants.org).

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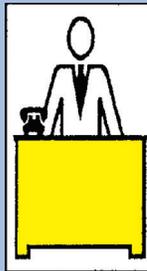
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