O God of the Last Supper
God of the Cross
And God of the Empty Tomb
We come before you now and we pause.

We inhale the scent of snow white Easter lilies.
We see the rain as it falls in veils and sheets of April showers.
And we listen.

Holy Week has passed.

But how we long to live by the marvelous story we have heard.
Let us remain ever beside you at the table of the Last Supper.
Show us who is hungry.

And give us the courage to offer them bread from your table.
Show us who is thirsty.

And give us the strength to lift up the cup of your love.
Most of all, show us how to linger at the table, serving others—

Doing ALL that we do
In remembrance of You,
And the way You were when You walked this earth.

We lift these simple, limited words
Up to you, O God.
Amen

A Prayer After Easter
By Erin M. Cline
Welcome to the Sheil Catholic Center at Northwestern University

If this is your first time worshiping with us, we welcome you and invite you to learn more about Sheil and the programs we have to offer, as well as how to register and become involved in our faith community. Call us at 847-328-4648 and visit our website: sheilcatholiccenter.org

*Fr. Kevin Feeney & the Sheil Center Staff*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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STUDENT SPRING RETREAT
APRIL 29 — MAY 1, 2016
ST. MARY OF THE LAKE — MUNDELEIN, IL
$50.00 — SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE
SHEIL CATHOLIC CENTER PRESENTS A RETREAT TEAM PRODUCTION “4 YEARS 4 FAITH”
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The Kinship Award recognizes community contributions and social justice efforts that have strengthened the Precious Blood Center's mission of providing hope, healing, and hospitality to at-risk youth in Chicago's Back of the Yards/New City neighborhoods, including those youth detained at the Cook County Temporary Juvenile Detention Center (CCTJDC).

The award will be presented at PBC's 5th Annual Fundraiser on Wednesday, April 20, from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Floating World Gallery, 1925 N. Halsted Street, Chicago. The event will feature wine and cheese, hors d'oeuvres, a silent auction, storytelling, and the Kinship Award presentation. To purchase tickets, http://www.pbmr.org/ or contact Sister Donna Liette at 773-653-5467.

For the Least Retreat
Saturday-Sunday
June 4-5
Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House
Barrington, IL

Looking to connect with others in their 20s and 30s who care about issues of justice? Want to reflect on your experiences of service in light of the Gospel and Catholic Social Teaching? Join Charis, Old St. Patrick’s Church, and Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House for this 24 hour retreat hearing talks from other young adults, learn from the experiences of others, and reflect on what you can do in response to injustice in your daily life. Visit www.charis.org for more information and to register.

Misericordia Candy Days
Friday & Saturday, April 29-30

Volunteer for Misericordia Candy Days to help raise money for children and adults with developmental and physical disabilities. For more information, call Tessa at 773-273-2768, email: candydays@misericordia.org, or visit www.misericordia.org.
"Reaching out from Within"
Art Show - Sunday, May 8
Sheil Catholic Center 10 am - 10 pm
Lower Level Lounge

Sunday, May 8th Sheil will welcome the Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation's Art Show. The poetry and artwork will be on display in the Sheil Lower Level Lounge. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet staff members from PBMR as well as some of the artists.

Several of our students and associates are active in Sheil's Prison Ministry program. Members of this ministry regularly visit the incarcerated youth at the Juvenile Detention Center in collaboration with the Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation. The May 8th event offers the opportunity to view some impressive artwork, as well as learn about the challenges and successes of this ministry and the youth they serve.

Most of the artwork & poetry were created by young men & women from the Juvenile Detention Center in Chicago. An essential part of Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation’s mission is to try to stem the tide of violence by providing at-risk youth with hospitality, hope & healing. Their art program is an essential component of that mission.

Please join us before or after whatever Mass you attend.

DESTINATIONS
CAREER EXPLORATIONS

The next panel discussion presented by Destinations will be

Wednesday, May 25

"UpStarts & StartUps"
Details coming soon

Destinations is a program designed for students to meet and talk with outstanding professionals in their fields at quarterly panel presentations and discussions; answering such question as "What's it like where I think I am going."
Digging Around

‘The Lord asks us above all … not to condemn.”
Pope Francis

A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, “See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?”

The gardener replied, “Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good. But if not, you can cut it down.” (Luke 13:6)

Do you get the impression this gardener is not going to give up?

When the owner of the vineyard arrives next year ready to cut down the unproductive tree, the gardener will be equally ready with his advice of digging and fertilizing. The gardener brings patience, watchfulness, and the expectation of growth.

Patience and watchfulness are closely connected to mercy. Mercy refuses to take the easy route of condemning and destroying the unproductive present. It always sees a deeper possibility that has not been actualized and works to create the conditions for that possibility to emerge.

Of course, we are talking about people and not fig trees. Ultimately, this is not a lesson in gardening but a strategy of human development. Underlying it is a vision of the human person in communion with God and struggling to find ways to embody that communion in how they think, will, and act.

Mercy is the way we help this process in each other. We know our efforts to become a full and loving person do not follow a strict schedule. It can go well one moment and go badly the next. We know we have to return to the struggle.

Perhaps, that is why in St. Paul’s famous hymn he includes an almost overlooked factor: love is patient. (1 Cor, 13:4)

So is mercy.

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Readings for the Week

Sunday, April 17  
Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Monday, April 18  
Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, April 19  
Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, April 20  
Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50

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Friday, April 22  
Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, April 23  
Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday, April 24  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  

Luncheon Lecture:  
“The Father of Mercies”  
By Dr. Scott Hahn  
Wednesday, April 27

Very Rev. John Kartje, Rector of Mundelein Seminary, invites all to attend this lecture with Dr. Hahn, McEssy Distinguished Visiting Professor of Biblical Theology at Mundelein Seminary, where he will explain how God’s fatherhood is the single most revolutionary concept of faith and everlasting source of mercy and how it is taken for granted.

The lecture will be held at the Union League Club, 65 West Jackson Boulevard in Chicago, on Wednesday, April 27, beginning at 11 a.m. with registration. To register for the luncheon lecture, please visit www.usml.edu/mcesseylecture or call 847-970-4830.

Cooks & Servers Needed for Hilda’s Place

Please consider feeding the homeless at Hilda’s Place on Sundays. Please contact Tim Higgins for cooking, serving and volunteering instructions. t-higgins@u.nortwestern.edu.

Due to budget cuts the shelter is not able to house as many people as in the past. However, we still have a Sunday obligation to feed those who are being accommodated by Hilda’s Place.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 17
9:30 a.m.  Mrs. Arleen Simpson
11:00 a.m. Eugene & LaVerne Dondlinger
5:00 p.m.  For the victims of the 2007 Virginia Tech Shooting
9:00 p.m.  John Thumel
The mission of the Sheil Catholic Center is to prepare Catholic disciples of all ages to lead lives of faith and reason, by together worshiping, learning, growing, and serving the Northwestern University community and beyond.

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