

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago
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Dear Friend of Chicago's Airport Chapels,

Happy Spring! Traditionally this was an invitation letter for our annual fund raising raffle to support the Chicago airport chapels. As the years have passed, airline tickets have been more difficult to obtain and State regulations have become more abundant. Instead of a raffle, we are making this direct appeal to your generosity. In addition, the Chapels host a golf outing in August and an awards banquet in October..

When you support the Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago, I can assure you that you support a good and worthy cause. I can also assure you that we will be good stewards of your contributions. Here is some of what you support:

- a place of quiet reflection, personal prayer, and shared worship
- a place that - in the very best of the American ideals- welcomes people of all faiths and people of good will who may not belong to any particular faith community
- a place that offers spiritual support and pastoral care to travelers and those who make travel possible - airline personnel, airport workers, safety & security personnel, and first responders
- Airport Chaplaincy Emergency Response teams that are trained and ready to respond when, God forbid, there is a natural or man made catastrophic event
- a place where prayers are offered daily for airport workers and travelers

It has been a challenging winter here in Chicago. Gray skies and the "Polar Vortex" made life difficult for the airport employees who work outdoors. The long Federal shutdown was particularly difficult for hundreds of TSA and law enforcement officers who came to work each day at O'Hare and Midway knowing one or more of their paychecks would say \$0.00!

I made sure to thank every officer I met at the airport for their dedication to work so diligently while not being paid. I also paid special attention to small groups of officers. I wanted them all to know how grateful I and the chaplaincy team are for them and that we were all praying for them, their families, and a quick resolution to the crisis. The chaplaincy also helped coordinate donations of food and other goods headed our way, with the TSA and their local distribution network.

The Chicago Airport Chaplaincies were then, and continue to be, a source of solace and hope for all. Your continued financial support of the airport chapels means so much to so many. Thank you! Know that you and your family are remembered in our daily prayers. Please pray for me, my ecumenical and interfaith colleagues, and all the people we serve at Chicago's airports.

May God always bless you and your loved ones,

Rev. Fr. Michael G. Zaniolo, STL, CAC
Administrator

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Spring Appeal Response Form

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I am interested in the August Golf Outing

I am interested in the October Awards Banquet