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ST. JUDE MEMORIAL MARCH

Every year on the first Sunday of May the Chicago Police Department recognizes one of the oldest and proudest traditions, honoring those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

This year marks the 81st anniversary of the memorial march, and the St. Jude Police League will once again honor our fallen police officers. Members of the law enforcement community will gather and march at the Gold Star Families Memorial and Park.

As Superintendent, I am honored to share in this tradition and encourage all participants and their families to take a moment to reflect upon and remember the 562 heroes whose names are inscribed on the Memorial's sacred walls. It symbolizes the highest honor bestowed upon a police officer and reminds everyone that these police officers have not fallen in vain.

I invite all of you to join us Sunday, May 5th, at Solidarity and Museum Campus Drives. Department members will assemble in preparation for the March. Extended family members and friends are welcome to view the March from the west side of Museum Drive, across from the Park (see attached map).

The March will proceed south on Museum Campus Drive to Waldron Drive and step off promptly at 0800 hours. Department members are advised to arrive by 0700 hours. Immediately at the conclusion of the March, there will be a brief 15 minute interfaith service presented by the Chicago Police Department Chaplain's Unit. Department members and guests are invited to attend this service.

Complimentary parking for police personnel and families attending the St. Jude Memorial March will be available in the Waldron Deck Parking Garage, the South lot of Soldier Field, or the North Garage of Soldier Field. A traffic detail will be assigned to direct you to the parking.

All traffic will exit at 18th St. or McFetridge Drive for parking

I encourage everyone to remember and support other police events during National Police Month. The Run to Remember 2013 supports the Mission Beyond the Memorial and kicks off at 0800hrs on Saturday May 4th, at the Gold Star Families Memorial and Park. Illinois salutes its fallen officers on May 2nd in Springfield and the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington D.C will have its 25th Annual Candlelight Vigil at the police memorial on May 13th. On May 15th, the 32nd Annual National Peace Officers Memorial Service will take place at the United States Capitol Building.

Let's honor these brave men and women and never forget their courage. I look forward to joining you and your families on the first Sunday in May to remember all of those who have served and sacrificed in making our city safer.

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Gold Star Families Memorial and Park is located on the lake side of Solider Field between Waldron and McFetridge Dr, and can be accessed by taking the 18th St exit eastbound from Lake Shore Dr



- Location A: 1326 S Museum Campus Dr
Parade Units 1-13 (Facing South)
- Location B: Solidarity Dr (Westbound Lanes)
Parade Units 14-25 (Facing West)
- Location C: Solidarity Dr (Eastbound Lanes)
Parade Units 26-39
- Location D: Lynn White Dr at Solidarity Dr
Parade Units 40-61 (Facing North)

