

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday – Ponedjeljak, March 23, 2009**

7:30 a.m. Slavko Kadić ob. Penavić
Josephine Grubisic Cabo John & Gen Botica
Josephine Hanson (health) Eva Madia/Ann Kotarac

Tuesday – Utorak, March 24, 2009

7:30 a.m. Bobbie Jean Bova H.S.A.
John Fasula Cathi & Pete Wilkie
Na nakana (zdravlje J.Š.) Ankica Žaper
Vic & Mary Fire Jim & Mary Ann Saracco

Wednesday – Srijeda, March 25, 2009

7:30 a.m. Tony Tadin Mary Fratto
Peter (Bush) Caruso Ross
Charles P. Marino Perisin family

Thursday – Četvrtak, March 26, 2009

7:30 a.m. Matija Ćubić Debbie Kodzoman
Augustin Rodich M/M Michael Hlousehek
Angela (Snooky) Valenti (10th anniv.) family

8:05 a.m. Pro populo Mass with schoolchildren

Friday – Petak, March 27, 2009

7:30 a.m. Margaret Marcello Pace family
U zahvalu za djecu ob. Jureta

Saturday – Subota, March 28, 2009

7:30 a.m. Tony Tadin Jo Ann & Peter Peso
John Fasula Frank Meo family

5:30 p.m. Mike Iozzo (6th anniv.) Iozzo family
Edward Haptas sister Jane
Katica Plepel Dorothy Plepel
Carmel Sheppard Joan Sipich
Pat Tominello Nancy & Bob Link
Marie Tenerelli John & Helen Segvich

Sunday – Nedjelja, March 29, 2009

7:30 a.m. Evelyn & Sr. Bernardine Čondić Duško
Tony Tadin Bernie & Mary Reusz
Ante Balich family
Mike Došen Mary Vujic
John Mladinov family family

9:30 a.m. Ralph Passi wife Ange & family
Sally Sperando Rose Marie Sestito
Carmella Sheppard Giggie
Mary Harzich Gael & Bruno Bertucci
Scully Scalise Bob & Marianela Bertucci
Julie Costas Cathi & Pete Wilkie

11:00 a.m. u spomen

Augustin Rodich ob. Mate Čaljkusić
Katherine Halambek ob. Penavić
Zora Grubišić Neda & Hrvoje Pečuvčić
Robert Jurlina Jurlina family
Ivan Badrov ob. Ivan i Vesna Jureta
Marko Radman Livaja obitelj
Mladen Bugarija Jelica Šimunić
Ivan i Ana Mlinarich ob. Ivan i Vesna Mlinarich
Andrija i Tuna Štrbić ob. Ivan i Vesna Mlinarich
Pok. iz ob. Erkapic ob. Erkapic
Pok. iz ob. Šumera ob. Šumera
Pok. iz ob. Butorac Rose Ivičić
Pok. iz ob. Vidović Rose Ivičić
Pok. iz ob. Balaz Rose Ivičić
Pok. iz ob. Horvat Rose Ivičić
Pok. iz ob. Čondić Duško

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat., March 28, 5:30 p.m. J. Magyar / J. Ferro
Sun., March 29, 7:30 a.m. M. Vujic / M. Pesce
Sun., March 29, 9:30 a.m. Diane Krolo / Ellen Ryan
Sun., March 29, 11:00 a.m. Snježana Šego,
Nikolina Madjer, Antonia Jurković

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat., March 28, 5:30 p.m. Bova, Racinowski,
Wroblewski
Sun., March 29, 7:30 a.m. A. Insalaco, R. Insalaco
Sun., March 29, 9:30 a.m. J. Moreno, N. Moreno,
Mossman
Sun., March 29, 11:00a.m. D. Jureta, A. Barun,
L. Kutleša, A. Kraljević, I. Jureta, T. Čuvalo

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WEEKLY MEDITATION for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

“God so loved the world that he sent his only Son,” we hear in today’s most famous of Gospel verses: John 3:16. God took the first step. And God chose the approach of love, not of power. He acts not for his own sake, but for our sake, to save us.

God condemns no one. But the Light of Christ came into the

John 3:16

world, and some people — many of us at times — “preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil.” The fault is not God’s, but ours. Condemnation does not follow from God’s action but from people’s response.

Those of us who follow God’s ways *love the Light* and come to it. Our good acts then are seen

in the Light as coming from God.

Clearly, there is much darkness in our world. What we must not do is let the world trick us into thinking its darkness is true light. It’s not. As we mature in Christ’s Light, hopefully, over time, we become better able to see how the world’s darkness can fool us, but we can become wise in Christ — and share it.

WISDOM’S CORNER

The Light of Christ

- In Christ there is no trace of darkness.
- His Light reveals the darkness in us.
- His Truth reveals our lies.
- His integrity reveals our falseness.
- His Love reveals our selfishness.
- His peace reveals our conflicts.
- His openness to others reveals how closed we are.
- However, we should not be afraid of his Light.
- Rather, we should rejoice in it.
- Compared to his Light, other lights in this world are mere flares in the night or candles in the wind.

*Christ,
radiant Light of the World,
guide our steps in the way
of Truth and Goodness,
and lead us through the gloom of
this world into your kingdom. Amen.*

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

“A little light
can dispel a lot of darkness.”

Dear Friends!

FOCA is a proposed law that is strongly pro-abortion. An Illinois FOCA passed a House committee in a vote of 5-2 on March 12; now it will go before the entire House. **Now is the time to TAKE ACTION.** If this bill goes through, it could mark the beginning of the end of the Pro-Life Movement in Illinois!

- Visit your representative’s District Office: We should have **LINES OUT THE DOOR!** Put real pressure on your State Rep to oppose **HB 2354**. They are usually in their district offices on **Fridays** and **Mondays**. Rally your colleagues/friends/family to pay a personal visit to your State Rep and express your disgust over HB 2354.
- Call your State Representative **AGAIN!** Don’t know who your State Rep is? Look him/her up here: **www.elections.IL.gov** Then click “**Voting and Elections**” And then click on “**Find Districts**” Then click “**By Address**”
- Tell everyone you know: Hand out sheets of paper with info on how to contact state reps.

It is **UP TO YOU** to make a difference. **HB 2354 could be voted on as early as this week.** There is no time to waste.

House Bill 2354 seeks to: Make abortion a fundamental right, preventing any common-sense regulation such as parental notification; expand public funding of abortion through Medicaid and possibly state health insurance plans; undermine the Illinois Health Care Right of Conscience Act protecting health care professionals and employers; and, mandate comprehensive sex education for all public schools. The bill is extreme and a radical change from current law. It is the end of the society we know. **PLEASE EVERYBODY ACT NOW.** Do not be silent.

Fraternally yours, Fr. Joe

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Two Lenten Lectures for the Year of St. Paul:

FIRST LECTURE on one of the major New Testament figures: **St. Paul**. A hundred works of art, from masterpieces by Michelangelo to unsigned icons tell us stories that make Paul and his writings vividly come alive. Presented by Sr. Anne Flanagan, Daughters of St. Paul. Presented in St. Jerome's Small Hall, Monday, March 23, at 7 p.m.

SECOND LECTURE is on "The Influence, Images and Power of the **Media**" by Sr. Helena Burns, of the Pauline Center for Media Studies. Presented in St. Jerome's Small Hall Monday, March 30 at 7 p.m.

Please join us. These will both be very powerful.

Day of Spiritual Renewal is being planned by the **Marian Society** of our parish for Saturday, March 28. This is their Lenten retreat, and it will be held in the newly open Shrine of Christ's Passion, in St. John, IN. For more information, please call Kathy Kotic at 773 667 2377. The bus will leave from St. Jerome at 8 a.m. The return will be before 5 p.m. If you plan to attend, please call as soon as possible.

Please Help Our Neighbors at St. Anthony Church, which was partly damaged by an arson attack last month. This weekend, we will take up a special second collection to assist them and to express our solidarity with them.

Dear Parishioners, in the next few days we will be mailing you our Easter cards, including the schedule for Holy Week. If you changed your address, telephone, email, or any other info, please let us know by calling the Rectory at 312 842 1871 or email us. *Have a blessed Lent!*

Protecting Conscience Rights in Health Care:

Our Voice is Needed to Prevent Anti-Catholic Discrimination!

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is inviting public comment on a proposal to revoke an important federal regulation issued in December. The regulation implements and enforces three federal laws protecting the **conscience rights of health care providers**, especially those at risk of being **discriminated against because of their moral or religious objection to abortion**. The Catholic community must speak out to protect Catholic doctors, nurses and hospitals. Go to: <http://www.usccb.org/conscienceprotection/> to make your objection known to the planned rescinding of conscience rights of Catholic Health Care workers.

- ◆ **Please join us for Morning Mass** during Lent at St. Jerome's, daily at 7:30 a.m.
- ◆ **Fridays in Lent: Stations of the Cross** at 7 p.m.
- ◆ **Thursdays**, 7 p.m. till 9 p.m., Eucharistic Adoration, with Litany & Rosary at 7 p.m.

St. Jerome Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and \$12,000 Raffle

On, Palm Sunday, April 5, St. Jerome School will be hosting our annual Palacinka / Pancake Breakfast with the Easter Bunny. Breakfast and pictures will be available between 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. For \$6.00, an adult can have 2 palacinka (crepes) or 4 pancakes, 4 pieces of meat (bacon or sausage), and 1 beverage. For \$3.00, a child can have 1 palacinka or 2 pancakes, 2 meat (bacon or sausage), and 1 beverage. We will also have homemade baked goods available for purchase, as well as a cake walk. Pictures with the Easter Bunny will be available for purchase. They are \$15.00 for 1 – 5x7, 2 – 4x6, and 10 wallets. We will also have our large raffle table full of great prizes. In addition, tickets for the \$12,000 raffle will be available until the drawing at the end of the day. Tickets are \$50 each (only 400 printed). First prize is \$7,500, 2nd and 3rd prize is \$1,500 each, and 4th and 5th prize is \$750 each. Baked donations would be welcome. For tickets or information, please call Eva at 312-842-5485 or Cathi at 312-808-0541

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◆ **The Sacrament of Baptism** will be received this weekend by

Liliana Anica Pervan,

the daughter of Ante & Tamara (nee Rudny) Pervan. Her Godparents are Sylvia Bandalo and Tonia Rudny.

Congratulations — and may God bless little Liliana Anica!

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UPCOMING MUSICAL EVENT: St. Jerome Parish presents a unique night of entertainment to benefit St. Jerome School - **AMERICAN ENGLISH, The Complete Beatles Experience** - on Saturday, April 18 at 8PM. Doors will open at 6:30 at the Old Neighborhood Italian American Club on 30th & Shields. Tickets are \$35 per person. Tickets will not be available at the door. Please come early, as this is general seating only. For tickets: Rectory 312-842-1871; Gerard 312-213-2843; Jan 312-225-9751; Mary 312-225-3231.