MASS INTENTIONS



Monday – Ponedjeljak, April 12, 2010

7:30 a.m. Rose Capinegro Marion Nick LoCoco family Margie Balzano Catherine LoCoco

Tuesday - Utorak, April 13, 2010

7:30 a.m. Josephine Hanson Stanka Botica Marie Diamond +John & Gen Botica Angie Sabbia Elaine & Sylvio Martincic

Wednesday - Srijeda, April 14, 2010

7:30 a.m Rosemary O'Shea Albina Marasovich
John Botica Ele Drozd
Frank (Babe) Maratea Stretch & Eleanor
Ted Haptas (2nd anniv.) wife & family
Za zaboravljene duše Hrvata u čistilištu

Anica Ostojić

Thursday -Četvrtak, April 15, 2010

7:30 a.m. Ann Fatovich Semetis Lynn Schankman William Kilroy Croatian school "Cardinal Stepinac" Josephine Begani Catherine & Nick Perisin

8:05 a.m. Pro populo – for all parishioners, living & deceased

Friday – Petak, April 16 2010

7:30 a.m. Mary Ciciora Peter Trumblay
Paul Budvitis Donna DeGrazia
George Grunkel Catherine & Nick Perisin

Saturday – Subota, April 17, 2010

7:30 a.m. Marica Gled Mary Vujic Rosemary Tito Catherine & Nick Perisin Josephine 'Dolly' Leodoro Roseann Gurgone

5:30 p.m. Mike lozoo lozzo family
John Segvich Cathy Amato
Anthony & Mary Sorrentino
Joe Bozich wife & family
Christopher Russo M/M R. Sanchez
Anka Zure Louis Scalise family

Sunday - Nedjelja, April 18, 2010

7:30 a.m. Evelyn & Sr. Bernadine Čondić Duško Jim Balestri Ann Contino John Botica Kay Siani

John Mladinov family family
George & Cvita Vladovich Chris & Matt Pesce
Agnes Margalus Patricia & Charles Marino

9:30 a.m. Ann Bittner
Nancy Babich
Francis Corich
Jean Zekich
LaVerne O'Neill
Theresa Link

Ken, Jan & John Zekich
Babich family
Laura & John Perseghin
John & Florence Zekich
Haptas family

11:00 a.m.

Biserka Marušić
Andela Kadić
Zora Šego
Jaka i Toma Šipić
Pave i Joso Žgela
Maja Marić
Steven Brajković
Anda Ratković
Tomica i djeca
ob. Penavić
Zdravko i Luca Šego
Ante Sipich
Ob. Mare Žgela
Zvonko Ćabo i ob.
Dragan i Janice Subašić

Anda Ratković
Marija Antolović i Ljubica Bašić ob. Ćosić
Vlatko Čuvalo Marija Knezović i ob.
Anto i Janja Rapo Josip i Bozana Rapo i ob.
Pok. ob. Čondić Duško
Pok. ob. Hrkac i Kožul ob. Vlado i Nevenka Hrkać
Pok. ob. Jakelja Pasko i Eva Jakelja

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat., Apr. 17, 7:00 p.m. Jan Ferro / Nino Folino Sun., Apr. 18, 7:30 a.m. Rosemary Brcich/R. Brcich Sun., Apr. 18, 9:30 a.m. Family Mass/Mary Beth Insalaco

Sun., Apr. 18, 11:00 a.m. Petar Dušević, Tihana Jurković, Kristiana Jurković

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat., Apr. 17, 7:00 p.m. Bova, M. Wilkie, Wroblewski Sun., Apr. 18, 7:30 a.m. J. Moreno, N. Moreno Sun., Apr. 18, 9:30 a.m. Balazs, Mossman, Nowacki Sun., Apr. 18, 11:00 a.m. D./D. Grgić, I., J. Dugandžić, M./L. Kosić.

For Rent ► Apt for Rent: 27th and Princeton, new, excellent, 2 bedrooms, 1080 Sq Ft. For questions or appointments call 312 519 8605

► Vicinity 31st Wells. Newly remodeled; central heat/AC; hardwood flrs, stove, fridge, washer/dryer. No pets. 312 225 4458 after 5 p.m.

WEEKLY MEDITATION for Divine Mercy Sunday

When you fix things, people tend to forget. Maybe that's why Jesus kept the marks of his wounds on his risen body. Firstly, those wounds helped the apostles to recognize him. The same Jesus who during his life manifested his power over evil is the one in whom God has manifested his power over death. Secondly, those wounds were the proof of his love. Jesus didn't just talk about love; he gave an example of it, and had the wounds to prove it—the

mortal wounds the Good Shepherd



suffered in defending his flock from the wolf. Jesus did not hide his wounds. He showed them to Thomas and invited him to touch them. When Thomas touched Christ's wounds, his doubts vanished and his faith was re-born. Having overcome his crisis of faith, Thomas went on to bear courageous witness to Jesus and became one of the greatest missionaries of the early Church. He was the first of the apostles to die for the faith.

WISDOM'S CORNER



While Jesus was alive Thomas was as strong as an oak.

When Jesus was put to death, he became a reed shaking in the winds of doubt.

The truth, though Thomas didn't realize it at the time, was that it was the Master who was the oak. Thomas was a mere sapling growing in his shade.

When the oak fell, Thomas was defenseless.

All of us are shaken by the winds of doubt.

We need to look at the Lord's wounds and hear his gentle voice saying to us:

"Cease doubting and believe."
Then with Thomas we shall be bold enough to say, "My Lord and my God!"

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Those who are overly critical of others don't understand the magnitude of their own faults."

"Dear friends,

In the media everybody talks about the scandal in the Catholic Church. I offer a short reflection. The United States Catholic Bishops Con-



ference ordered an investigation done by the well-known Jay Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York. This institute came up with the following statistics. From 1950-2002, 109,694 priests served the entire country and 4% of them were accused of abuse. For serious reasons, 1021 priests were reported to the police and 252 of them were charged.

On the other side, just to mention one statistic from 1992, the National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System tells us that in the U. S. A. that year, 109,800 children were sexually abused by parents, friends, relatives, etc.. Between 1991 and 1997, 60,700 people were sentenced to prison terms because of sexual abuse of children. In the state of Illinois in 2007, the Dept. of Children and Families received 111,742 accusations of various abuses of children.

A Gallup Poll tells us that 19 of every 1000 children are sexually abused. One abused child is horrible and one too many, but if we put this problem in the wider context of our Western society, then we will see that we have many sick minds at all levels of society who are dangerous to our children. This tells us two things. The accused priests are part of this society that is simply, often times quite sick. In the media you hear only about the Catholic Church. It is interesting that the investigations and polls by the above mentioned respected organizations talk about other communities where the percentage of abuse is higher, but the media is not interested in them, only in Catholics. Even though it is difficult to face these facts and numbers, while being sorrowful for every abuse, it is more than obvious that anti-Catholicism is on the rise. But the Church goes on, strong and humble. Garbage needs to be cleaned and is being cleaned. This catharsis will make us stronger and better Christians. Therefore, let us stand up, true and determined, especially in defense of our spiritual identity.

Your Father Joe

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 11, at

3 P.M. Please join us for devotions and the

praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. "I want this image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter. That Sunday is to be the Feast of Mercy. On that day the depths of My Mercy will be open to all. Whoever will go to confession and receive Holy Communion on that day will receive



complete forgiveness of sin." (from St. Maria Faustina's diary)

St. Jerome School 7th & 8th Graders spent three hours at the Greater Chicago Food Depository on Wednesday, March 17, as part of their school Service Class. They were given the task of measuring, weighing, bagging, labeling and packing 1,000 pounds of corn flakes. Because they finished the job in less than half the allotted time, they were given more, processing over 2300 pounds of cereal! This activity made the students aware of just how many less fortunate people there are, and how important it is to "pitch in" and help others. These students will again visit the Depository on Tuesday, April 20.



CONGRATULA-TIONS

Our parishioner Ines Kutlesa has been selected by the members of the Social Work Club and Phi Alpha Honor Society to receive its annual Com-

munity service award. Congratulations!

St. Jerome School graduate **Jessie Racinowski** has achieved A Honor Roll status at Mother McAuley High School. Congratulations!

St. Jerome Events Save the date and join us!

Sunday, April 18 "Lion's Roar" School Benefit in the School Hall from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Auction, Buffet, Special Awards. \$25 per person. RSVP by April 13.

Thursday, April 22 *Open House* for prospective families will be held at St. Jerome School between 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Friday, April 23 "Wizard of Oz" (performed by the school children)

Sunday, April 25 Barbequed Lamb A group of young people from our Croatian School will prepare and sell lamb after 9:30 and 11:00 Masses. For information contact the parish office 312 842



1871; Ivo Kosir 312 296 0550; Ivan Jureta 771 363 6077. You must order ahead.

Monday, April 26 St. Jerome School hosts "**Shadow Day**" for prospective students. Students must preregister for this event. Contact the school 312 842 7668.

Events on Our Web Site

Dear friends, you can consult our web site www.stjeromecroatian.org to learn of events in our parish community. Look under scheduled events for an-



nouncements of upcoming events. You can also view beautiful pictures of past parish community events.

TAMBURITZA MUSIC in the Chicagoland area alternating with Polka Music. On Sunday nights from 6pm to 10pm at the new Europe dance club located at 7245 W. Archer Ave. (1/4 block west of Harlem). For more info call Mrs. Joan Sipich at 312 326 0081.



Get Going....and join St. Jerome's WALKING CLUB. For more information contact Donna/Mary at

walkingclub2@gmail.com