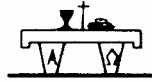


**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday – Ponedjeljak, February 8, 2010**

<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Scully Scalise	Scalise family
Carmella Barbara	children
Claire Norel	family
Angie Sabbia	Catherine LoCoco
Joseph McDonough	Chris & Matt Pesce

**Tuesday – Utorak, February 9, 2010**

<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Dolly Feltner	Catherine & Nick Perisin
Josie Hanson	Ele Drozd
Carmella Barbara	Scalise family
Ann Feldman	family
Judy Doerscheln	family

**Wednesday – Srijeda, February 10, 2010  
Blessed Cardinal Stepinac feast – Bl. Alojzije Stepinac**

<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Vito Caponigro	Laura & Mike Allen
Za zaboravljene duše Hrvata u čistilištu	Anica Ostojić
Na odluku	Josip i Iva Prša

**Thursday – Četvrtak, February 11, 2010  
Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes – Gospa Lurdka**

<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Carmella Barbara	Mary Ann D.
Ann Freeman	Catherine & Nick Perisin
John Bills	Marty & Marilyn O'Malley

**8:05 a.m.** Pro populo—*for parish's living & deceased*

**Friday – Petak, February 12, 2010**

<b>7:30 a.m.</b> John Botica	Louzon family
Marge & John Sobocan	Chris & Matt Pesce
Joseph McDonough	Margaret Malone

**Saturday – Subota, February 13, 2010**

<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Mary Zornow	Ann Contino
Jean Quinn	Catherine & Nick Perisin
Franjo Radman	Mary Vujic
Angie Crispo	Debbie Kodzoman

<b>5:30 p.m.</b> Mike Iozzo	Iozzo family
Mariano "Morrie" Coletta	Mary and Thad Doria
John "Ish" Botica	JoAnn & Peter Pesce
Scully Scalise	Scalise family
Marissa Hernandez	Joe & Lisa Amoroso
John Segvich	Pete Schurla
Carol Herrera (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniv.)	family

**Sunday – Nedjelja, February 14, 2010**

<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Evelyn & Sr. Bernadine Čondić	Duško
John "Ish" Botica	G. Botica
Connie Fratto	Mary Fratto
Deceased of Kraslen family	Kraslen brothers
John Mladinov family	family
In honor of Our Lady of Medjugorje	N.N.

<b>9:30 a.m.</b> Josie Hanson	Lori Marasovich
Carmen, Carmella & Tommy LaPapa	daughter/sister
John "Ish" Botica	Ken, Jan & John Zekich
People of Haiti	Sharon Bentivegna

**11:00 a.m. u spomen**

Tomislav Hostička	ujak Tomislav Lisnić i ob.
Veselko Sivrić	Mario i Ankica Pehar
Biserka Marušić	Tomica i djeca
Jozo i Luca Galić	djeca
Mate i Ivan Galić	ob. Bešlić
Petar Rodić	Stipe Tokić i ob.
Augustin Rodich	M/M Ivan Maroš
Bartol i Fila Soče	Mario i Ankica Pehar
George i Ivo Paljetak	ob. Marko Paljetak
Pok. ob. Čondić	Duško
Na nakanu	ob. Penavić

## LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

**Sat., Feb. 13, 5:30 p.m.** Joseph Magyar / Jan Ferro  
**Sun., Feb. 14, 7:30 a.m.** Luanne Munizzi / Rosemary Brcich  
**Sun., Feb. 14, 9:30 a.m.** Sonia Antolec / Mary Beth Insalaco  
**Sun., Feb. 14, 11:00 a.m.** Ivan Djebro, Petar Dušević, Marko Mamić.

## ALTAR SERVERS:

**Sat., Feb. 13, 5:30 p.m.** Bova, B. Wilkie, M. Wilkie  
**Sun., Feb. 14, 7:30 a.m.** Balazs, Garcia  
**Sun., Feb. 14, 9:30 a.m.** Ciabrone, K. Mangan, J. Moreno  
**Sun., Feb. 14, 11:00 a.m.** Danny Grgić, L. Kosić, M. Kosić, J. Dugandžić, I. Paraga, Dominik Grgić

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

► A large 2 bedroom apt with 4-season room, large remodeled kitchen and bathroom, 3 blocks from orange line, 30th & Emerald. No pets. Security deposit. 312 404 4609

## WEEKLY MEDITATION for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel story is about catching fish, but it is also about trust. Jesus was saying to Peter: "How far are you prepared to trust me?" It was a turning point in the life of Peter. What started out as a failed night of fishing, ended in a new beginning, taking a new direction.

Fishing is an important job, but Jesus was calling Peter and his companions to an even

more important task. He was offering them not just a new type of work, but a cause to which to dedicate their lives. They understood that he was calling them to the service of others: "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."

The Lord still calls men, women and children, and the need is just as great today. By



our baptism we too are called to follow Christ, but what does that

mean for the ordinary person? It means to be a Christian disciple where you are, and in your way of life. There are many ways to serve Christ!

## WISDOM'S CORNER

### Let your light shine

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate, but that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness, that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves, "Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?" Actually, who are you not to be?

You are a child of God. Your playing small doesn't serve the world. There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you.

We are born to make manifest the Glory of God that is within us. It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone. As we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

- from the inaugural speech of Nelson Mandela

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### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"When we acknowledge our weakness,  
God can strengthen us.

When we acknowledge our emptiness,  
God can fill us. When we acknowledge our  
poverty, God can enrich us. When we  
become available to do his work, God can  
accomplish in us what we find impossible."

### Dear friends,

This weekend we reflect more intensively on a cardinal who during his lifetime was featured on the front pages of the major world newspapers: Cardinal Alojzije Stepinac, the archbishop of Zagreb, Croatia. Why do we mention him? When Pope John Paul II beatified him in 1998, he said that Cardinal Stepinac was a light in the dark times of Europe, and he served as a guide to the suffering Europeans during the Second World War and afterward during the Communist times.

Cardinal Stepinac, whom we joyfully remember here at St. Jerome's, was the man of prayer, which gave him strength to stand for his principles of justice, love and distinguished goodness.

Stepinac stood upright against the Communists' faithless regime. He was not afraid. Like others who followed the same principles — El Salvador's Archbishop Oscar Romero, Poland's Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski, South African's idealistic dissident and President Nelson Mandela, the Rev. Martin Luther King — Stepinac was not afraid to seek justice. Like the great Russian dissidents Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn and Andrei Sakharov, Stepinac was ready to give his life for the written truth, to give his life like Mahatma Gandhi, who chose peace in fighting against the powerful. Like Mother Theresa, he could say No to the rich, but Yes to the poor. Like the bishops and priests in China whose names we do not know, but whose underground Catholic Church gives fearless witness, Stepinac gave witness.

Stepinac is a name that stands in the long line of these and many others. We remember him and we pray to him because we want him to be an inspiration to us when we are faced with difficult decisions that could compromise our life, our character and finally our soul. Let us peek into the lives of Stepinac and others whose names are written in the beautiful pages of world history and who can help us when we find ourselves at the crossroads, choosing between good and evil.

Your Father Joe

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PASTOR'S DESK

*Pray for continued blessings on our schoolchildren, families & staff!*

### To my St. Jerome Family,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you for all your thoughts and prayers during my time of need. I want to thank you for the kindness and support you have extended to Joey, Juliana, JoJo and the rest of my family and made them your own. I appreciate the outpouring of good wishes, get wells and most of all love. I am overwhelmed with the turnout of the prayer service given by Fr. Joe and Fr. Ivan. This is a true testament of how a community can make a difference through prayer. From your mouths to God's ears! He heard each and every prayer and performed a miracle. This is something that will live in my heart and soul forever.

**Lisa Amoruso**

**Chicagoland witnessed Lisa's amazing story** through two excellent news reports. One by WBBM TV on December 28 can be found on the internet at:

[cbs2chicago.com/local/Lisa.Amoruso.H1N1.2.1394628.html](http://cbs2chicago.com/local/Lisa.Amoruso.H1N1.2.1394628.html)

The Tribune ran a Page 1 story on Lisa on January 26:

[www.chicagotribune.com/health/ct-met-swine-flu-survivor-20100126.0.3517221.story](http://www.chicagotribune.com/health/ct-met-swine-flu-survivor-20100126.0.3517221.story) and both stories have great video.

Many have rejoiced with us at Lisa's miraculous recovery!

### **Want to hear about the Catholic Church perspective on a topic of your choosing?**

If you have an idea for a talk and discussion that you would like to hear about on a weekday evening this Lent (or beyond), write it down on a piece of paper and put it into the Suggestion Box in the back of Church this weekend or next weekend. It can be something about family life or prayer life or whatever you sense in your heart needs an evening of presentation and discussion.

### Interested in Walking?

Want to meet other walkers in the parish? Come join us for an informal meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. in the Small Hall behind the Church. Call the Rectory for more information.

### **Church Manners Do Matter**

### **The Crumpled Tissue Issue**

Please be mindful when using Kleenex in church, and make sure you don't leave it behind. The next person to occupy that space will be very grateful!

**St. Mary of Perpetual Help H.S.** is looking for members of the Class of 1960 to attend a 50 year reunion on Sept. 18, 2010. Contact Christine Skepnek Steigerwald at 630 420 8187 for more.

**Jobs offered:** Doma Shipping - Bernard movers have opening for movers and CDL drivers. Call Kate at 312 326 6615

## Annual Catholic Appeal 2010

The theme of this year's Annual Catholic Appeal campaign is from today's Gospel reading: "they left everything and followed Him." (Luke 5:11) The Apostles gave up everything to follow Jesus. You are not asked to do the same. Rather, you are asked in this campaign to pledge this weekend for the Annual Catholic Appeal. While funding a number of Archdiocesan ministries, **the Annual Catholic Appeal is also the largest philanthropic source of financial support for ALL of the Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Chicago.**

Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal campaign is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a *pledge campaign* where you can make a gift that is payable over five months.

As you consider all of the good work enabled by your contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please also reflect on God's good gifts to you. He has given you all that

you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the Archdiocese and to the work of the Church throughout the world are given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our Archdiocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services.

Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they fund a significant portion of the work of our Archdiocese. After our parish's assigned goal is reached, 100% of the additional funds come back to our parish to help to fund our needs.

**If you received your pledge form in the mail,** you may complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at Masses this weekend and briefly next weekend.