MASS INTENTIONS



Monday - Ponedjeljak, January 25, 2010

7:30 a.m. Luka BoticaGen BoticaJoseph MandicfamilySteven Brajkovicob. SusnjaraDec. of Grubisic-Cabo familyGen Botica

Tuesday - Utorak, January 26, 2010

7:30 a.m. Michael Phillips Mary Fratto
Marija Rodic ob. Agnes Rodich
Angie Sabbia Angela & Michael Vetos

Wednesday - Srijeda, January 27, 2010

7:30 a.m. Lena MarinofamilyMargaret MarcelloPace familyJosie HansonStretch & ElMichael PhillipsVincent Covelli

Thursday - Četvrtak, January 28, 2010

7:30 a.m. Toma Botica Gen Botica
Sandra Egercic Amelia Koss
Dec. of lotio family family
Za zaboravljene duše Hrvata u čistilištu
Anica Ostoiic

Pro Populo St. Jerome Parish

Friday – Petak, January 29, 2010

7:30 a.m. Eva Balich family
John Botica Marian Segvich
Lena Marino family
Our Lady of Medjugorje N.N.

Saturday - Subota, January 30, 2010

7:30 a.m. Angeline Sabbia Vince Covelli

5:30 p.m.Jack PlattSt. Jerome PreschoolUncle Luka BoticaBobby Cannatello, Jr.Morrie ColettaSam, Frank, & Mary FrattoTheresa MiritelloScalise family

Sunday - Nedjelja, January 31, 2010

7:30 a.m. Evelyn & Sr. Bernadine Čondić Duško Josie Hanson Gen Botica John "Ish" Botica Bob, Cathy, & Bobby Cannatello James Cordavano Frank & Luanne Munizzi In thanksgiving (40th wed. anniv.) Chris & Matt Pesce

9:30 a.m. Maria Ann Gazzi Gazzi family Marie "Dolly" Feltner Rose Marie Sestito

11:00 a.m.

Kathy Uremović roditelji i djeca John Botica Duško i Jadranka Kraljević Mariia Uičić Bože Guvo Petar Rodić Stipe Tokić i ob. Augustin Rodich M/M Slavko Marasović ob. Mara i Stanko Šušnjara Josip Lisnić Marica Gled ob. Marko Paljetak Barisa Sipich Ante Sipich Damian Puliić Stojan Maslać Frano Grepo sin Ivica i ob. Tomislav Falak sura lvica i ob. Pok. ob. Condić Duško Pok. ob. Maroš i Tokić ob. Ivan Maroš

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat., Jan. 30, 5:30 p.m. Robert Cannatello, Jr. / Jan Ferro

Sun., Jan. 31, 7:30 a.m. Matthew Pesce/ Matthew Pesce

Sun., Jan. 31, 9:30 a.m. Family Mass / Mary Beth Insalaco

Sun., Jan. 31, 11:00 a.m. Josip Jureta, Kristina Hrvojević i Mario Pehar.

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat., Jan. 30, 5:30 p.m. Rubio, B. Wilkie, M. Wilkie Sun., Jan. 31, 7:30 a.m. M. Meo, R. Meo Sun., Jan. 31, 9:30 a.m. J. Moreno, M. Moreno, Perseghin Sun., Jan. 31, 11:00 a.m. K. Cikoch, M. Kosir, N. Brcic, D. Jureta, I. Jureta

For Rent:

- ► Vicinity 31st 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
- ► Apts. available in Zagreb, Croatia. Call 312 326 3188 for information.

For Sale: ► Brand New Development - Luxury Brač Seafront Villas with private pools. Located in Splitska, which is a 10 min. ride from Supetar (50 min. ferry ride from Split). Price Range: 470,000-770,000 Euros. Call 708. 769. 5013

WEEKLY MEDITATION for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's first reading, the people are reaffirming their covenant with the Lord after they endured war, exile, and humiliation. The prophet Ezra encourages them to persevere because the Lord is their strength.

In the second reading St. Paul tells us that each one of us is a member of the body of Christ. As Christians we belong to all the other members in the same body, caring for one another and beresponsible for each other.

Finally, in today's Gospel Jesus reads from the Hebrew scriptures and tells his fellow townsmen that he himself is the Messiah, anointed by God to bring healing, deliverance, and



good news. In order to do these things he is calling us, the members of his

body, to bring the Good News to the world. We are his hands and feet, his eyes and ears. And we, too, can find new strength in the Lord!

WISDOM'S CORNER

Lifeline botanists was searching the Alps for rare

A crew of very fine

specimen was spotted on a small ledge of rock that could only be reached with a lifeline. The job was far too dangerous for the inexperienced botanists, so they called in a local shepherd boy who was familiar with the region and offered him money to climb down the rope and recover the rare flower.

Although the boy desperately wanted the money for his family, he feared the task was too risky. Several times he peered over the edge of the cliff, but couldn't see any safe way to get to the flower. Besides, he would have to place his life in the hands of strangers who would be holding the lifeline.

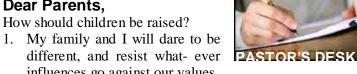
Then the boy had an idea. He left the group and returned holding the hand of a much older man. The boy now ran eagerly to the brink of the cliff and said to the scientists. "You can tie the rope under my arms now. I'll go into the canyon as long as you let my father hold the rope."

Put your trust in your heavenly Father!

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Direct your efforts more toward preparing your children for the path, and less toward preparing the path for your children."

Dear Parents,



influences go against our values. There are some values about which there is no room for

- dispute or compromise. Do you know what they are? Our family will find time to pray daily. This time is a sa-
- cred time for us. As parents, we must set a good example of how to live. Our children will see how we communicate, speak, talk about others, and treat each other.
- We want our children to know that there are millions of children in the world who suffer, lack healthy drinking water, go hungry, and are homeless. The recent tragedy in Haiti is a prime example. We must teach our children to be grateful and unselfish, not greedy and demanding.
- Our friends reveal the truth about who we are. They reveal how we choose friendships, whom we choose as friends, and the type of person with whom we are willing to share our lives.
- 7. Each day and each moment of life is important; however, Sunday is the most important day for us. It is the beginning and the end of our week, the day on which we attend Mass together. There are no excuses to prevent us from worshipping at Mass.
- We want to share our life stories with our children, telling them all about our families, our joys, and our sufferings.
- TV has become dangerous. It will not become an authority of truth in our household.
- 10. Don't forget that although church, school, friends, and neighbors are important, if the family fails to raise good children, those things can be of little help.

Your ideas, suggestions, and candid comments are always welcome!

> Your Father Joe igrbes @gmail.com

HAITI: The heart-wrenching news from Haiti prompts our hearts to cry, to pray and to help in any way possible. Our parish is having a special 2nd collection this weekend to donate funds via Catholic Relief Services to help the suffering.

Please pray for the people of Haiti, a predominantly Roman Catholic country, that lost tens of thousands of people.

Mark your calendars for Cardinal Stepinac



Days, which will be held the weekend of February 6 and 7. We ask you to save the dates and join us as we commemorate these

days in honor of Blessed Cardinal Stepinac, as follows:

- St. Jerome's Cardinal Stepinac Croatian School's annual concert will be Saturday afternoon, at 5:00 p.m. at M.L. King high school auditorium located at 4445 S. Drexel Blvd. in Chicago. Tickets are available now. Guests include groups from Canada and Chicago area. After the concert everybody is invited to our Hall for homemade dinner, dance and party.
- Holy Mass at 11:00 a.m. Brief program and luncheon to follow after Mass in our parish

2010 Archdiocesan Annual Catholic Appeal Begins

Many of our parishioners either have or soon will receive a mailing from Cardinal George. He will ask that you make a pledge to the 2010 Annual Catholic Appeal.

The Annual Catholic Appeal is the largest philanthropic source of financial support for the Catholic schools of the Archdiocese. It also supports ministries of care and comfort to those in need, supports training religious educators, supports spiritual formation of priests, supports the many life-oriented programs of the Office of Respect Life, supports Catholic Relief Services to the poor in the Third World, and many other vital ministries.

Please prayerfully consider making a 2010 pledge.

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

Catholic Schools Week

St. Jerome School will begin Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, Jan. 31, by celebrating Family Mass at 9:30 a.m. The theme for this year's annual celebration is "Catholic Schools—Dividends for Life." In these challenging



DIVIDENDS FOR LIFE

times, this theme reminds us that the dividends of a Catholic education last a lifetime. An Open House and registration for prospective students will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 2nd, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. St. Jerome School takes great pride in its reputation for providing an excellent education to its students in an environment that inspires and engages them. We welcome you to visit and see, first-hand, everything we have to offer your child. For information or a personal tour, contact Principal Trumblay at 312—842-7668. There is no better way to invest in your child's future!



Congratulations to Marco Rodriguez, a graduate of St. Jerome school, who attends St. Laurence H.S. where he is taking all honors classes and has achieved 'A' Honor Roll status.

CATHOLICS at the **CAPITAL**

The 2nd annual event will take place on March 3, 2010 in Springfield, IL. The purpose of the day is to provide parishioners with an opportunity to live out their faith by learning about and participating in the political process. The one-day event will focus on advocating for a policy agenda based on Catholic social teaching and the promotion of the common good. For info call 312-368-1066.

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 information.