

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday – Ponedjeljak, January 10, 2011**

7:30 a.m. Emilia Hlinka Catherine & Nick Perisin
 Katie Catanzara Agnes Rodich family
 Na čast Ivana Pavla II Blagica Bešlić

Tuesday – Utorak, January 11, 2011

7:30 a.m. Michael & Mariano Coletta family
 Loretta Zabilka Catherine & Nick Perisin
 Chuckie Cortese Giggie & family
 Na nakanu Ružica Miletić

Wednesday – Srijeda, January 12, 2011

7:30 a.m. Bess Perisin Catherine & Nick Perisin
 Rosella McKenzie Joe & Lisa Amoruso
 Brian Donovan Marian Segvich
 Len Kloos Joe & El Grzetich

Thursday – Četvrtak, January 13, 2011

7:30 a.m. John Pavela Anthony Zivalich family
 Anthony LoCoco sister-in-law
 Rocky Iacullo Marion

Friday – Petak, January 14, 2011

7:30 a.m. Ivan Badrov ob. Nevenke Badrov
 Slavka Buskain ob. Nevenke Badrov
 Marko Miserda ob. Nevenke Badrov
 Katie Bentivegna niece Dee Dee

Saturday – Subota, January 15, 2011

7:30 a.m. John Rak Vera Bozich
 Anthony DeFalco Catherine & Nick Perisin
 Barbara Willis Catherine & Nick Perisin

5:30 p.m. Carmen Butera family
 Ante & Anđa Galić and family ob. Bešlić
 Ruža Volarić (3rd Anniv.) Marko i Marica Hobar
 Mary Ann Babich-Mladina Terri & Sam Babich
 Dec. of Vulich family family
 Thanks to the Blessed Mother N.N.

Sunday – Nedjelja, January 16, 2011

7:30 a.m. Millie Balich Patricia & Charles Marino
 John Pavela Catherine & Nick Perisin
 Evelyn, Sr. Bernardine & Jozo Čondić Duško
 Loretta Zabilka Bob & Nancy Link
 Mary DeFrancisco Charles Marino

9:30 a.m. Jean Zekich Ken, Jan and John
 JoMarie Scott Beverlee & Russell Pullano
 Edwin Partyka Heather & Joe Walters & fam.
 Eva "Vuko" Plosnich Thad & Mary
 Julia Battaglia cousin Giggie
 Joseph & Jean Zekich Rodriguez-Kozina family
 Joe Abate Giggie
 Eugene Consentino Perisin grandchildren

11:00 a.m. u spomen

Vinka Kraljević ob. Nevenka Soldo
 Helen Rak Ana Hostička
 Manda Trutin Lovro i Dragica Rudman
 Ilija Zeba Marko Zeba i obitelj
 Slavka Lijović Josip i Anđa Novak
 Slavica Blažević ob. Blažević
 Fra Ljubo Čuvalo ob. Ivan Mišetić
 Ivan Ivanko Vesna Krišto i ob.
 Marija Stephens H.Š. Kardinal Stepinac
 Grgo i Iva Čerkez Mila Solina
 Marijan Lerotić kći Ivanka Šušnjara i ob.
 Fr. Jerome Kučan sister Betty & family
 Pok. ob. Čondić Duško
 Pok. ob. Bralo Mijo i Zdenka Barun

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat., Jan. 15, 5:30 a.m. Robert Bazan / Jan Ferro
Sun., Jan. 16, 7:30 a.m. Emmett Turney/Matt Pesce
Sun., Jan. 16, 9:30 a.m. Jan Zekich / Ellen Ryan
Sun., Jan. 16, 11:00 a.m. Davorka Toromanović,
 Snježana Šego

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat., Jan. 15, 5:30 a.m. Nowacki, Wroblewski,
 Wilkie
Sun., Jan. 16, 7:30 a.m. Mossman, Perseghin
Sun., Jan. 16, 9:30 a.m. Ciambrone, J. Moreno, N.
 Moreno
Sun., Jan. 16, 11 a.m. M. Brajković, T. Čuvalo, A.
 Puljić, M. Golub, J. Dugandžić

For Rent:

- ▶ **Apt. 32nd & Princeton**, 3 rooms. 312-225-7459
- ▶ **Apt. 2-Bedroom**, Dining Room, front room and kitchen. Please call 312-493-5588.
- ▶ **Apt. 29th & Shields**, 4 room, 2 bdrms, newly remodeled. Call 312 225 2952.
- ▶ **Apt. 3030 S. Princeton**, 3rd flr., rear, 4 room, 2 bdrms, 1 bath, fully remodeled, hardwood flrs, stove & fridge, 312-671-0308
- ▶ **Apt. 3017 S. Princeton**, 1st flr, 3 bdrm, 1 bath, enclosed back porch, remodeled, central AC/heat, hardwood flrs, ceiling fans, granite, stove, fridge, washer /dryer in apt 312 217 3208

WEEKLY MEDITATION for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Baptism

The baptism of Jesus reminds us of our identity. It reminds us of who we are and whose we are. By baptism we become the adopted sons and daughters of God, brothers and sisters of Jesus, who is true God and true man, members of the Church that he founded, heirs of heaven, and temples of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus' baptism reminds us

also of important aspects of our mission in life:

- ◆ to be continually aware of the presence of God in our lives and to continually appreciate God's love for all who are made in his sacred image: each and every human being, whose dignity should be honored;
- ◆ to live as the children of God in thought, word and action;
- ◆ to lead a holy and transpar-

ent Christian life and not to desecrate our bodies (temples of the Holy Spirit and members of Jesus' body) by impurity, injustice, intolerance, jealousy or hatred;

- ◆ to grow daily in intimacy with God by personal and family prayers, by meditative reading of the Bible, by participating in Mass, and by the power of the sacrament of reconciliation.

WISDOM'S CORNER Identification

The film *Gandhi* is a three hour epic, depicting the life of Mahatma Gandhi of India. In order to lead the peoples of India to freedom from the British Empire's rule, Gandhi adopted non-violent means such as fasting from food, vigils of prayer, peaceful marches, protests and civil disobedience. One of the reasons why Gandhi put on a loin cloth and fasted from food, almost to the point of death, was to show solidarity with the poor of India, identifying with them in their physical sufferings. This finally brought independence to India.

Jesus' baptism, as described in today's Gospel, served, in part, as his identification with those of God's chosen people who became aware of sin in their lives, who repented and who recognized their need for God's forgiveness.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

*"Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offense.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin."*

— Psalm 51

Do we know its meaning?

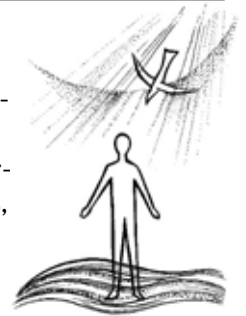
When we think about the sacrament of Baptism, we ask ourselves what it means to us? I baptize many children, I watch the parents, Godparents, children, grandparents, other family members...

Parents are given an unbelievable power:

- ◆ They are given the gift of creating new life...being a part of creation which brings new life into the world.
- ◆ Having the power to give this new life a name...a name by which they will be known and recognized by the world is a great gift and responsibility!
- ◆ When choosing the child's Godparents, people who are responsible, moral, practicing Christians who know, love, and follow Christ.

What a great responsibility! These are realities which are about a new and unique life. That is why they are so greatly important. Keep this in mind, my dear friends, when we choose something which is not temporary, which lasts a lifetime, then we must choose wisely, consciously and in a Christian frame of mind. This is true especially when choosing the name of a child and its Godparents.

The Godparents to a child cannot be just anyone. They cannot be non-Catholic, someone who has not received the sacraments, who does not practice their faith, or who does not live a moral life. The Godparents' responsibility is to look after the spirituality of the child; that is their concern, responsibility and mission. This is what they vow to do on the day of Baptism. This is an exceptional sacrament which reminds us of how important promises are, as well as the words we say. Vows which we say before God have a great weight and require us to follow them. Do we understand this part of Christianity? Do we understand what we're getting into? Do we know what we are part of?



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St. Jerome Blood Drive

Our parish is organizing a Blood Drive on Sunday, Jan. 23 from 8:30am-1pm in our St. Jerome Parish Hall.



We strongly recommend all the healthy persons to join us to give blood and so help save a human life. Appointments are recommended. To schedule your appointment, please call Janel Sedevic, of our St. Jerome Youth Service Corps, at 773 510 4792. You will need to have your ID with you.

A guest from Dubrovnik

Our guest this Sunday comes from American College of Management and Technology in Dubrovnik, Croatia. Her name is Lana Buzuk. She is a representative from the American College in Dubrovnik and she will present information about this successful program, connected with the Rochester (New York) Institute of Technology. **We invite those of you who have students that will be attending college in the near future to join us.** This event will be held on the second floor of our small hall beginning at 12:30 p.m.

Annual Meeting of Marian Society

The Marian Society invites its members and those who would like to become members to attend their annual meeting on Sunday, January 16, beginning at 12:30 p.m. on the second floor of the small hall.

Hrvatska baština (Croatian Heritage)



is inviting you to their annual concert/ musical/ joke-telling program. Every year they present the traditions and customs of different regions. This year's theme is "Harvest customs in Srijem, Banat & Bačka"! This dinner-and-show in St. Jerome Hall will be Saturday evening, Jan. 22. For tickets or for more info, please contact Vince Armic

Thank you

A sincere thank you on behalf of the Franciscan Fathers to all of you who came to pay your respects to our brother, Fr. Jerome Kucan, the pastor of St. Jerome's 1982-85. Thank you for coming to the prayer service Wednesday evening, and especially to the funeral Mass at our church. Fr. Jerome was our brother and a part of our Franciscan brotherhood. He will be greatly missed!

Old & Beautiful

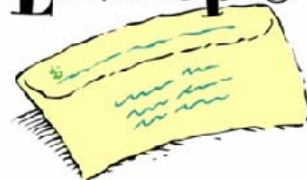
As we approach our celebration of 100 years of St. Jerome, we are working on our parish archives. Our goal is to sort all the documents and to make the whole project digitalized. We have some professionals to help us out. I think this will be a uniquely amazing project. We would like to ask you to share with us any old photos, books, films, documents, community events, your personal family photos or documents that are connected to St. Jerome. *Thank you very much for your help.*

We are still accepting winter clothing and blankets for the homeless.

Unfortunately many of the homeless are without adequate coats and blankets. If you can donate old coats and blankets, they would appreciate it.

Please pick up your Parish Envelopes for 2011 in the back of the church. We are grateful to all of you for your dona-

Offering Envelopes



tions, gifts and generosity to St. Jerome. Thank you for all you do for St. Jerome in any capacity.