

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday – Ponedjeljak, January 21, 2013**

7:30 a.m. Vito Barbara family
 John Segvich Pete & Sandy Schurla
 Marko & Agnes Ratkovich Ann Komar
 Special Intentions Rose Ann

Tuesday – Utorak, January 22, 2013

Day of Prayer in the United States
 for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children –
 40th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* ruling in 1973

7:30 a.m. Herbie Johnson Lee Chapman
 Stash Sorich Linda Demien

Wednesday – Srijeda, January 23, 2013

7:30 a.m. Katy Morano Marion
 Josephine Palumbo Catherine & Nick Perisin

Thursday – Četvrtak, January 24, 2013

7:30 a.m. Steven Brajković ob. Brajković

8:05 a.m. Pro populo – for the people

Friday – Petak, January 25, 2013

7:30 a.m. Luka Botica Gen
 Dorothy Fischer Chris & Matt Pesce

Saturday – Subota, January 26, 2013

7:30 a.m. Christiana A. Lunetta Tadin family
 Luka Botica Michelle & Brian

5:30 p.m. Ann Solimine Rose Ann Gurgone
 Uncle Luka Botica Bobby Cannatello Jr.
 Barry Babich Mom, Dad, Lisa and Chris
 Elsie Čerina Vera & family

Sunday – Nedjelja, January 27, 2013

7:30 a.m. Margaret Marcello Pace family
 Evelyn, Sr. Bernardine & Jozo Čondić Duško
 Josephine Palumbo Charles & Patricia Marino
 Lena Marino family

9:30 a.m. Luka Botica Ken, Jan & John Zekich
 Ann Solimine (Condito) Caroline Markovich
 Angje Passi Rose Marie Sestito

11:00 a.m. u spomen

Josip Armić Snježana Šego i obitelj
 Ivo i Mare Đebro Ivana Đebro
 Ljubica Zeba Predrag Zeba
 Andrija Čota obitelj Dragušica
 Joseph Nagy (25th Anniv. Rememb.) ob. Stipe Tokić
 Mate Morić Ante Sipich
 Anto Golub sestra
 Kaja i Tomo Golub kći
 Miško i Luca Bradarić Ljuba Pervan i ob.
 Ivan Žužić obitelj
 Tomislav Falak šura Ivica i ob.
 Pok. ob. Čondić Duško
 Pok. ob. Maroš i Tokić ob. Ivan Maroš

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat., Jan. 26, 5:30 p.m. Jan Ferro / Jan Ferro
Sun., Jan. 27, 7:30 a.m. Rosemary Brcich /
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Sun., Jan. 27, 9:30 a.m. Family Mass / MaryBeth Insalaco
Sun., Jan. 27, 9:30 a.m. Tomislav Kikaš, Davorka
 Toromanović, Anđela Bajić

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., Jan. 26, 5:30 p.m. J. Esparza, M. Esparza, Wilkie
Sun., Jan. 27, 7:30 a.m. Valenti, Yarus
Sun., Jan. 27, 9:30 a.m. Lucente, Sandoval, Zekich
Sun., Jan. 27, 11:00 a.m. N. Brčić, L. Kosić, A.
 Ledić, E. Kosić

For Rent

► **Apt. 1st fl. rear**, 3 rooms: 1 large bdrm., roomy
 front rm., 1 medium kitchen, appliances: fridge,
 stove, finished bathroom, closed-in porch. Seniors
 preferred, no smoking, no pets. Available Feb. 1st.
 Call after 5:00 p.m. – 773 254 2836
 ► **Apt.** Lovely Bridgeport apartment, **33rd and
 Lowe** (312) 520-3066
 ► **Apt. 30th Emerald**, 2 bdrms, newly remodeled,
 washer & dryer on location, call 312 375 5323
 ► **Apt. 2-Bdrm**, Dining Rm, front rm, kitchen. 312-
 282-0097
 ► **Apt. 29th Shields**, 5 rms, 2 bdrm, just painted,
 new carpeting, central heat & a/c, ceiling fans,
 blinds. 312-593-2864.
 ► **Apt. 33rd Lowe**, 5-Rm, 3 Bdrm., h/w flrs,
 Appliances, \$975 plus utilities & sec. 773-852-
 4244.

WEEKLY MEDITATION for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In attempting to describe the *relationship* between God and his people, the Bible uses the image of a bridegroom and his bride. In describing the *joy* God finds among his people, it uses the image of a wedding feast.

What Jesus did at Cana was not a one of a kind thing. It

pointed to what would happen all through his ministry. The changing of water into wine illustrated what he was about. Everywhere Jesus went, the old was made new. His presence could change beyond recognition the lives of those with whom he came into contact, and Jesus continues to

do this for those who believe in him and follow him.

The wedding servants were just Jesus' agents. They drew servings from the water Jesus had turned into wine and gave them to the guests. We draw from the same source: Jesus. From his fullness we continue to receive and to share.

FINAL RECOLLECTIONS (3)

Dear friends, parishioners and neighbors,



We've come to our final Sunday together. For years I have used this church bulletin to share my reflections about different topics, projects and events. I shared with you the thoughts that were close to my heart. I thought that was important to do. And I do so one last time today.

I thank you very much for sharing with us all these years. Thank you for being good people. Thank you for caring for this community. Thank you for taking care of your families.

Thank you for finding your spiritual home at St. Jerome's. A parish has a powerful mission and that is to gather people, bring them closer to Christ, increase their joy, resolve their problems, and to help them grow in love for each other.

Thank you for all of your love. I have received so much more than I was able to give in return. I believe in the strength that love gives because it is a powerful gift. Only love has the power to understand and to forgive. Thank you for teaching me about the gift of love.

I am especially grateful to those of you who are here at St. Jerome's each and every Sunday because you do understand that Sunday is a holy day; a day of prayer and of gathering families and friends. Thank you for sharing these values which make it easier for us to walk the path together.

Thank you for everything you have done for

me personally. Since I've been at St. Jerome's, I've experienced the loss of my mother, then my brother, Fr. Ante, and then my sister. Your sincerity and love was overwhelming and great. I truly felt how much you loved me, especially during those times, since my own family was 4,000 miles away.

Thank you for accepting and loving Fr. Ivan, right from the very first day. Thank you for all the love you showed him. He is a man of goodness with a big soul. He enriched this community with his example of exceptional goodness. Thank you for making him feel welcome and at home here at St. Jerome's. PLEASE accept new priests as you accepted us. And finally, if you would like to do something for me, if you would like to give me a great gift, my only wish and the greatest gift is that you do the following: Take care of this community, be involved in it, help each other, give of yourselves, share your talents, your time, your donations, your love, whatever you can offer. Be tolerant with one another. Try to understand each other by listening to each other. When you think of me or when you look at pictures from baptisms, weddings, parties or events, then do something nice for someone else, give them a little bit of yourselves. By doing so, believe me, you will receive a hundredfold more, and your soul will be filled, and your life shall be a happy one. I love all of you very much and I always will. I will remain close to you and always pray for you.

Love, Fr. Joe



Welcome to St. Jerome's new Franciscan Friars: Fr. Ivica Majstorovic & Fr. Stipe Renic. Father Ivica and Father Stipe will arrive in our parish this week. Please continue to build up our faith community, and give your new priests your generous love and kind help!

— Fr. Joe & Fr. Ivan

Join us at St. Jerome School's Mega-Reunion & Benefit Celebrating 90 years of our school: Saturday, February 2



Alumni Mass at 5:30 p.m. at St. Jerome Church, with **Gala Benefit at 7 p.m.** at The Bridgeport Art Center's Skyline Loft, located at 1200 W. 35th St. Proceeds from this celebration to benefit St. Jerome Catholic School's "Cash for the Classrooms."

This year marks 90 years of excellence in education at St. Jerome School. Join us for an evening filled with celebration and memories as we gather all those who have walked through the halls and whose lives and roots

have been shaped at St. Jerome's.

This evening is not only a celebration of our proud past but also a benefit dinner to ensure a promising future. Proceeds will assist in building additional classroom space in the old Convent, as well as implementing new programs to enrich the education of our students.

Cocktail Attire Please. Must be 21 years or older to attend. Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres, Music, Silent Auction.

Benefit Ticket Price: \$90 per person. Reserved seating tables of ten: \$800. **The great day is fast approaching so PLEASE RSVP** as soon as possible with RSVP card at stjeromeschool.net/alumni or call the school for more information at 312-842-7668.

Open House farewell to Fr. Joe & Fr. Ivan this Sunday afternoon:

Parishioners and friends will have an opportunity offer their well-wishes to Fr. Joe and Fr. Ivan on this **Sunday, Jan. 20**, at an afternoon Open House reception in our school hall as they leave for their new assignments. Fr. Joe will be moving to our Friary in the Hyde Park neighborhood to head the Croatian Franciscan Custody of the U.S. and Canada, and Fr. Ivan to be pastor of Sacred Heart Croatian Parish in Milwaukee. The reception will begin after the 11 Mass in our Parish, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Financial statements for 2012: We are mailing out our annual collection financial recap for 2012. We are grateful to all of you for your generosity to our parish community year after year. We thank you for all that you do for St. Jerome's and for making it your home! If there are any errors in the report you receive, please contact the rectory.

A great a cappella group "Cambi" sings Saturday

A famous *a cappella* group "Cambi" from Croatia will perform at the Harris Theater in downtown Chicago **next Saturday, Jan. 26**. Tickets available in the rectory or at the theater's box office on-line.

► **DVD of FILM** on St. Jerome's 100-year journey can be obtained in the rectory for \$20 (buy 3, and the 4th one is free). We hope every family will have it.

EVENTS AT ST. JEROME

- February 1st: St. Blaise celebration: St. Jerome Church (Mass at 7 p.m.) St. Jerome Hall (reception)
- February 9/10: Stepinac Days Concert: M.L.King High School, St. Jerome Hall: reception St. Jerome Church: Mass

2013 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

"Love Never Fails!" 1 Cor 13:8

Many of you have responded to the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal George. On behalf of those served by the ministries and services funded by the Annual Catholic Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. If you received the mailing and have not responded, please do so as soon as possible.

In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the Archdiocese, the Appeal also funds services that are of great help to other ministries here in our parish.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is: "*Love Never Fails!*" In his first letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul instructs that love is greatest virtue. God loves us always. He gives us everything.

As we contemplate His gifts to us,

we should also reflect on our gratitude for these gifts. Your financial support for the work our parish, of our Archdiocese and of the Church throughout the world is, in fact, one way to express this gratitude. Please give generously to the 2013 Annual Catholic Appeal.

When our parish reaches its goal in paid pledges, 100% of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our parish.