

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday – Ponedjeljak, January 28, 2013 St. Thomas Aquinas – sv. Toma Akvinski
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7:30 a.m. Na nakanu	Vesna Krišto
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Tuesday – Utorak, January 29, 2013

7:30 a.m. Our Lady of Medjugorje	N.N.
Lena Marino	family

Wednesday – Srijeda, January 30, 2013
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7:30 a.m. Na odluku	Vesna Krišto
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Thursday – Četvrtak, January 31, 2013
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7:30 a.m. Jimmy Caruso	Rose Ann Gurgone
Marge & John Sobochan	Chris & Matt Pesce
Mary & Angelo Pesce	Chris & Matt Pesce
James Cordovano (30 th Anniversary)	family

8:05 a.m. Pro populo – for the people

Friday – Petak, February 1, 2013

7:30 a.m. Edward Doleshek	Chris & Matt Pesce
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Saturday – Subota, February 2, 2013 The Presentation of the Lord – Isusovo prikazanje - Svijećnica

7:30 a.m. Ed Buckley	Catherine & Nick Perisin
Catherine Borovina	Ruth Benson
Na nakanu	Božana Ilić

5:30 p.m. John Apostoles	Len & Mary Traficanto
Mary & Louis Bajich	Joe & Debbie Magyar
Joe Vegetabile	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Marino

Sunday – Nedjelja, February 3, 2013
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7:30 a.m. Joe Cubelic	Catherine
Evelyn, Sr. Bernardine & Jozo Čondić	Duško
Sam F. Madia	Michael & Teresa DiStasio
John "Ish" Botica	Gen

9:30 a.m. Karmela Čudina	Anthony & Matthew Scalise
Ann Solimine (Condito)	Caroline Markovich

11:00 a.m. u spomen

John Nagy	ob. Luka Zoko
Marija Galović	Suprug Ante i ob.
Biserka Marušić	Tomica i djeca
Josip Armić	Jadranka Jurić i sinovi
Dumica i Ljubo Tanfara	djeca
Frank i Maria Cecchini	Brun i Jasna
Bariša Šipić	Ante Šipich
Marija Uremović	kći Višnja i obitelj
Stipan Guvo	Bože Guvo i ob.
Pejo i Kata Golub	Maria
Pok. ob. Čondić	Duško

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat., Feb. 2, 5:30 p.m. Brian Kenny / Jan Ferro
Sun., Feb. 3, 7:30 a.m. Emmett Turney / Rosemary Brcich
Sun., Feb. 3, 9:30 a.m. Kica DiCvito / Ellen Ryan
Sun., Feb. 3, 11:00 a.m. Marko Mamić, Josip Novak, Mariana Kikaš

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., Feb. 2, 5:30 p.m. Bertucci, Wilkie, Yarus
Sun., Feb. 3, 7:30 a.m. Mangan, Valenti
Sun., Feb. 3, 9:30 a.m. Sandoval, Olivia W., Zekich
Sun., Feb. 3, 11:00 a.m. Dominik Grgić, A. Ledić, Darko Grgić Jr., L. Draženović

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 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel shows Jesus proclaiming the word of God. In the synagogue at Nazareth, He makes His own a passage from Isaiah, and uses it to announce a program for His ministry. He is sent not to the wealthy or the powerful, but to the poor and the lowly, the oppressed and the suffering.

The poor are all the dispossessed of this world, all those who are waiting for liberation. The good news must not be limited to spiritual blessings only. The poor are also those who live on bread alone and who never hear the word of God.

Jesus didn't merely an-

nounce the Good News and leave it at that. He began to make it a reality. At the root of many wrongs in our world is the discrepancy between word and deed. Jesus' life was His message. Such was the good news He announced in Nazareth. And so it was with Jesus; so it could be with us.

THANK YOU AND WELCOME

Dear friends, parishioners and neighbors,

It is impossible to express in words my gratitude to you, the good people of St. Jerome. Thank you for coming last Sunday in such huge numbers. It was so humbling to see so many people of all generations from babies to 90 year old friends. Thank you for your generous support, your most generous gifts, and most importantly, your love. A special thank you to the members of parish council for their hard work and dedication in preparing this celebration. Thank you to all the representatives of our schools, clubs, organizations, and societies. A heart felt thank you to Kenny Zekich, all the helpers in the kitchen and bar, the ladies who baked sweets and the entertainment. It was a day that showed what our St. Jerome family is about; coming together, united in our beautiful parish where lives are shared and everyone counts and



feels at home. I am very happy because over all these years that was the most important thing to me; bringing people together, multiplying happiness and giving of ourselves joyfully.

Please keep up the tradition of togetherness, giving and love. Please keep your faith. Faith is powerful. It connects us and makes us do good things. I didn't pay much attention to your backgrounds or your education or personalities, but to your souls. Faith is about our souls.

As we continue our journeys, our souls will stay connected. Your two new young priests will do a fine job. We Franciscans come and go, but we share the same spirit of giving and caring for our people. To console and to understand, to love and to give, to light and to guide is simply in our Franciscan DNA. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

Love, Fr. Joe

Dear Parishioners!

It is an honor to continue the century long journey of this parish that our predecessors - our brothers Franciscans led us through. This parish is well known around the world as a very active one. Coming together around the table of God's Word and Eucharist we will continue, with your help, to live and work as a

brothers and sisters, building up the community, educating our youth in Catholic identity, being here for all your needs, and travel together towards the eternity where the Lord will reward everybody according to our deeds. We will count on your help and you can count on our loyalty. Cordially yours

Fr. Ivica and Fr. Stipe

*Join us at St. Jerome School's
Mega-Reunion & Benefit
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 stjermeschool.net/alumni or call the school for more information at 312-842-7668.



Mare's mom...



Vinka Turcinovic passed away suddenly on Tuesday, January 22, near Dubrovnik, Croatia. She was 76 years old. She is the mother of our St. Jerome Parish secretary, Mare Romanovic. As most of you know her personally, Mare is a gentle soul of our parish who welcomes everybody with open arms either over the phone or at the door. We share this time of sorrow with her. Our sympathy to Mare, her father Boze and her brother Pero. Vinka was buried on Thursday. May her soul rest in peace.

Financial statements for 2012

We have mailed 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.

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.