

MASS INTENTIONS
**Monday of Holy Week – Ponedjeljak,
April 10, 2006**

7:30 A.M. Catherine Madia Anthony & Mary Doria
Ivan Vuković Olga i Boro Puljić
Slavica Čurić Bešlić Blagica Bešlić
Na nakanu Danica i Ante Mlinarić

Tuesday of Holy Week – Utorak, April 11, 2006

7:30 A.M. Bud Alfirevich Toni & family
Josephine Odo Mary Romano
Agnes Roti RoseAnn
Na čast Srcu Isusovu Blagica Bešlić

**Wednesday of Holy Week – Srijeda,
April 12, 2006**

7:30 A.M. Nick LoCoco wife
Ann Tassone Mary & Ben

8:05 A.M. For Parishioners

Holy Thursday – Četvrtak, April 13, 2006

7:00 P.M. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday – Petak, April 14, 2006

3:00 P.M. Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English)

6 P.M. Procession through neighborhood with the Cross,
followed by Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Croatian)

**Holy Saturday – Subota, April 15, 2006
Easter Vigil**

7:00 P.M. John Mladinov family family
Biserka Marusić Tomica i djeca

Easter Sunday – Nedjelja, April 16, 2006

7:30 A.M. Evelyn Condich Sonny Mandich
Marie Diamond John & Gen Botica
Al & Millie Mucenski family
Deceased of LoCasto family Frank Bartuca

9:30 A.M. Sr. Imelda Velcich Juliana Perisin
Paul Stasiak family
Susan Bozich Vera & family
Joseph & Millie Bogetich family
Sam & Ann DeGregorio Senerchia family
Fr. Marko Kozina Marasovich family

11:00 A.M. u spomen

Vinko Lišnić Mr. & Mrs. Galić
Mary Alfirevich Fenlon family & friends
Anđela Kadić Ivica i Frida Penavić
Lucija i Šime Franić kćeri
Robert Jurlina ob. Jurlina
Ljubica Bašić ob. Čosić
Ivan i Ljubica Zeba ob. Marko Zeba
Slavica Blažević muž Mato, sinovi Ivica i Petar
Mara Fabšić ob. Marko Perić
Fra Hrvoslav Ban ob. Zlata i Jure Dugandžić
Ivanka Štrbić i Stipe Radić ob. Vesna Mlinarich
Branimir Mikulić sestra Ljubica Rogić i ob.
Pok. ob. Ostojić ob. Škaro
Pok. ob. Lijović i Zanić D. & J. Toromanović



Holy Thursday, Apr. 13, 7:00 P.M. Mary Fratto,
Diane Krolo, Mara Kosir

Good Friday, Apr. 14, 3:00 P.M. Jan Ferro,
Diane Krolo, Mary Vujic

Good Friday, Apr. 14, 6:00 p.m. Tihana Jurković,
Antonia Jurković

Holy Saturday, Apr. 15, 7:00 P.M. Nino Folino,
Mike Passarelli, Matt Pesce, Sanja Budimir, Mario
Ivančić, Antonia Kraljević

Easter Sunday, Apr. 16, 7:30 A.M. Robert
Bazan, Rose Brcich, Mary Vujic

Easter Sunday, Apr. 16, 9:30 A.M. Giggie
Cortese, Diane Krolo, Jan Zekich

Easter Sunday, Apr. 16, 11 A.M. Petar Dušević,
Snježana Šego



**ALTAR
SERVERS**

Holy Thursday, Apr. 13, 7:00 P.M. A. Nero, P.
Nero, S. Olague

Good Friday, Apr. 14, 3:00 P.M. Gonzalez, A.
Sarkauskas, R. Sarkauskas

Holy Saturday, Apr. 15, 7:00 P.M. Passi, LoCoco,
Rubio, Segvich, R. Sarkauskas

Easter Sunday, Apr. 16, 7:30 A.M. Ferro, Iglesias

Easter Sunday, Apr. 16, 9:30 A.M. C. Garcia, S.
Garcia, S. Olague

Uskrs 16. travnja, 11:00 A.M. A. Bušljeta, T.
Kikaš, D. Jureta, K. Cikoch, S. Ivezić

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WEEKLY MEDITATION— PALM (PASSION) SUNDAY

"Greater love has no man than to lay down his life for his friends." It is that love that we are remembering this week. We are recalling the fidelity, the courage, and the sheer goodness of Jesus. The day of his death is not called Bad Friday but *Good Friday*. Love is what makes it good.

Christ's Crucifixion shows how Jesus responded to what was done to him. He absorbed all the violence,

transformed it, and returned it as love and forgiveness. This was the victory of love over all the powers of destruction. There was nothing but love in him. Even when they nailed his hands and feet, he was loving toward us human beings. It helps to think about that when we are going through hard times.

It is a consolation for us to know that Jesus suffered. Yet his suffering would have been wasted if he had not

endured it with love. It was not just Jesus' suffering that saved the world — it was his suffering and love. Suffering is something that we like to avoid, *yet we willingly suffer for someone we love*. **Our love gives a meaning to our suffering.** It is the spirit in which we bear our burden that matters.

Jesus' death was a victory—of good over evil, of light over darkness, of love over hate, of life over death.

Palm Procession ushers in Holy Week, leading us to enter the Mystery of the Suffering, Death & Resurrection of Jesus

This week, all over the world, Christians will be celebrating the great mystery of Christ's love for us. The greatest love one person can possess is to give his life for a friend.

The solemn procession with palms is the first liturgy of Holy Week — a week that's rich with once-a-year liturgies.

This is the week when we remember through special liturgies how Christ lived out the truth of his great love for us, his friends. He took upon himself our sins and the sins of all the world. He suffered and died that we might live more fully as children of God.

Make an effort to fully participate in these solemn liturgies that commemorate God's gift of divine love — the life of his only Son.

The annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Places in the Holy Land

As we commemorate the events of 2,000 years ago at the Holy Places in the Holy Land, we shall collect on Good Friday funds for the support of those Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities. Your contribution can help prevent the Holy Land's dwindling population of Christians from vanishing.

WISDOM'S CORNER

The Cross of Peace

One evening a London commuter was hurrying home. As he neared Westminster Cathedral (the main Roman Catholic Cathedral in England), he was drawn to enter it. He could not explain why because he had long dismissed religion. Upon entering the building, he was startled by the cross hanging from the dome. He was taken aback at the sight of a man on a cross, tortured, abandoned, dead. He had seen terrible pictures of men, women, and children slaughtered in wars. All human pain seemed to be gathered up and — as it were — made his own by that man on the cross.

He looked around and saw people praying quietly. They seemed to possess a precious secret. They looked at ease and at home. Then he saw an elderly woman approach a crucifix that stood near a shrine. After kissing the wounds of Christ, she moved away comforted and consoled by such great love.

As he watched, his mind and heart seemed to be carried upwards into another sphere of reality. For the first time in his life he was at prayer. The cross was not so much speaking about death as celebrating love, life, and hope. The cross of horror became the cross of hope, the tortured body became the body of new life, the gaping wounds became the source of forgiveness, healing and reconciliation. He finally felt at peace with himself and the world.

THE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Forgiveness heals wounds."

'All Aboard the Holy Thursday Bus!'

If you wish to make a Holy Thursday night pilgrimage by bus to many churches, call Laura Perseghin at 773-254-0010 by this Wednesday.

If you wish to donate Easter Flowers: Please contact Mary & Louis Scalise; Jan & Ken Zekich, and Vesna & Ivan Jureta. Thank you for your generosity!



Chicago White Sox tickets on sale for 'St. Jerome Croatian Night' June 8

At the Parish Office, we are selling our Parish's 400 reserved tickets (in right field) for the Thursday, June 8, 7 p.m. game against the Detroit Tigers. Every ticket is \$28.00.

If you haven't alerted us of your old photos, home movies & videotapes of Velika Gospa ... please contact Louis Scalise as soon as possible. The production process will begin soon.

STILL PREPARING FOR TAX TIME?

If you need a statement of your contributions to St. Jerome Parish in the year 2005, please contact the parish office.

WEDDING BANNES

Dominic Leodoro & Dina Marie Edwards (II)

St. Jerome Property Fund

Mortgage Debt from New Parking Lot:	\$ 400,000
Donated to Date:	\$ 181,896
April Donations Thus Far:	\$ 0
Needed for monthly mortgage payment:	\$ 11,900

The Chicago Fire Department wants you!

Firefighter/EMT examination applications being received **until THIS Tuesday, April 11.**

Call 312-474-0175 or go on the internet to www.cityofchicago.org/fire Pass the word to family & friends!

THIS WEEKEND:

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at St. Jerome's

Come and join us for Breakfast with the Easter Bunny in the school hall **THIS SUNDAY, April 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** Palacinkas, pancakes, sausage, bacon, coffee, juice and milk will be served. Adults - \$6.00 and Children - \$3.00. There will be a raffle table, a bake sale, and also tables of wonderful crafts and specialty items. Pictures with the Easter Bunny will also be taken. **The five prize winners in our \$13,000.00 raffle — with its Grand Prize of \$10,000.00 — will be announced at 12:30 p.m. Raffle tickets available at the parish office.**

'Croatian Woman' / 'Hrvatska Žena' Humanitarian Luncheon is this Sunday

The organization "Croatian Woman"/"Hrvatska Žena" has its annual charity luncheon **this Sunday, April 9, at 1:30 p.m. at the Croatian Cultural Center.** Please buy tickets from members.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

At the start of Holy Week, come and celebrate the **Sacrament of Confession** at a St. Jerome Penance Service held **Palm Sunday, April 9 at 6 p.m.** *Several priests will come to hear private confessions.*

THIS HOLY WEEK:

Holy Thursday, April 13: Celebration of the Lord's Supper at **7:00 p.m.** The Church is open for private prayer and adoration **till Midnight.**

Good Friday, April 14: *A day of fast and abstinence.* At 3 p.m. we celebrate the Lord's Passion in English. Later, after the 6 p.m. neighborhood procession with the Wooden Cross, we celebrate the Lord's Passion in Croatian.

Holy Saturday, April 15: Blessing of Food at 4 p.m. and confessions 6 p.m.-7 p.m. Finally, at 7 p.m. begins **the greatest liturgy of the year** the **EASTER VIGIL MASS.** Fire, the Easter Candle, Holy Water and Food will be blessed during the Easter Vigil Mass.

Easter Sunday Masses, April 16: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and (in Croatian) 11:00 a.m.



Please come to the Pre-Easter Church Cleanup. All who can help, please come this Tuesday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m. Thank you very much!