

**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday – Ponedjeljak, August 14, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Marijan Kotarac family  
Tommy Hostička Catherine & Nick Perisin

**7:00 P.M.** Steve Miloslavich family  
Sr. M. Irene & Ann Jelacic Giggie  
JoMarie B. Scott Gail, Mom, & Dad  
Maria Gazzi Gazzi family  
Ivan i Iva Kozina Rodriguez family  
Antonio Rodriguez Rodriguez family  
Dec. of Amato-Tarantino families Cathy Amato  
Dec. of Becich & Gruica families family  
Dec. of John Mladinov family family  
Na nakanu Gospi Milenka Lišnić

**Tuesday – Utorak, August 15, 2006****VELIKA GOSPA – Uznesenje BDM  
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**7:30 A.M.** Peter & Mary Mandic Kay Catanzara  
Visko & Clara Cecich family  
Na nakanu Valeria Babić

**9:00 A.M.** Joseph Zekich wife & children  
Sam & Ann DeGregorio Senerchia family  
Deceased of Peso family Millie Balich

**12 Noon** Bud Alfirevich Toni & family  
Mirko i Mara Kosir ob. Ivo Kosir  
Robert Jurlina ob. Jurlina  
Biserka Marusić Tomica i djeca  
Ivan Babić Valeria Babić  
Fr. Mark Kozina Frano & Carol Marasovich  
Joseph & Millie Bogetich family  
Petar i Joza Zelić sin Ilija i obitelj  
Marko Radman-Livaja obitelj  
Dec. of Milicevic family family  
Dec. of Gruica & Becich families family  
Na nakanu Gospi Milenka Lišnić

**7:00 P.M.** Tomislav Hostička ob. Hostička  
Sophie & Ralph Bonello Georgeann, Baldo & dgtrs  
Lucille Silich Croatian Choir  
John Melvan son, daughter & families  
Dec. of Melvan, Klašnja, Rodman fam. family

**Wednesday – Srijeda, August 16, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Minnie Abate Joe & El Grzetich  
Catherine Halambek Ivica i Frida Penavić  
Na čast Sv. Ante ob. Blago i Ivanka Planinić

**Thursday – Četvrtak, August 17, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Joseph Bozich wife & family  
Marija Zelkovich M/M Peter Zelkovich  
Na nakanu Jela Kutleša

**Friday – Petak, August 18, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Gianna Vacarello D. Thome  
William & Mary Catizone children & grandchildren

**Saturday – Subota, August 19, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Evelyn Condich Eleanore J. Bilandic  
Michael Roscich Louis & Mary Scalise

**5:30 P.M.** Frank Fratto Mary & +Connie  
Connie Fratto ob. Franjo i Kate Mulac  
Josephine Odo Elaine & Silvio Martincic  
Rafael Rogić ob. Krpan  
Dorothy Burnes Marinko i Božana Ilić

**Sunday – Nedjelja, August 20, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** James Bertucci Mary Tadin  
Mary Pesce Jan Ferro  
Toni Mucenski Larry & Fran Panatera

**9:30 A.M.** Daniel Halloran Mary Fratto  
Joseph Bozich Joan & family  
Joseph Bozich Marie Worth  
Dec. of Radman-Mikicich fam. Radman family

**11:00 A.M. u spomen**  
Ivan Lončar Ivica Penavić  
Mate Morić Mr. & Mrs. Mijo Barun  
Rafael Rogić supruga Željka sa sinovima  
Nikola Vukadin Nevenka Badrov  
Mate Buškain Nevenka Badrov  
Ted Rembalkowski family  
Michael Roscich Radman family  
Mile Kodzoman ob. Krešimir Mišetić  
Ivo Đebro ob. Đebro  
Jela Lovrić Josip i Zorica Krišto  
Luca Krišto Josip i Zorica Krišto  
Pok. iz ob. Maroš i Tokić Ivan i Iva Maroš

**Lectors**

**Sat., Aug. 19, 5:30 P.M.** Michael Passarelli  
**Sun., Aug. 20, 7:30 A.M.** Maryann Ciaravino  
**Sun., Aug. 20, 9:30 A.M.** Jan Zekich  
**Sun., Aug. 20, 11:00 A.M.** Sanja Budimir, Snježana Šego, Ana Ivezić

**ALTAR  
SERVERS**

**Sat., Aug. 19, 5:30 P.M.** Ferro, Gonzalez, Rubio  
**Sun., Aug. 20, 7:30 A.M.** Kenny, Sarkauskas  
**Sun., Aug. 20, 9:30 A.M.** C. Garcia, S. Garcia, Insalaco

**FOR SALE**

► 2818 S. Wells, house for sale, 773 704 7302.

## WEEKLY MEDITATION — Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Elijah was the greatest of the Old Testament prophets; even so, in today's reading he lost his spirit. Jesus himself faced such an experience in the garden of Gethsemane, but he firmly told his heavenly Father, "Not my will, but thine be done." We all know periods of weakness, weariness, and despair, when we feel life is too difficult.

Like Elijah, we too are journeying toward the mountain of God—eternal life, and we too need "bread" for the

journey. However, ordinary bread will not suffice. We need the bread that Jesus gives—the bread of the Eucharist. On the strength of that food which Jesus gives us in the Eucharist, we will walk all the way to God's eternal Kingdom. Along the way, we will likely have the privilege of being God's messenger to another human being who is experiencing a low moment. It's only the kind of love and support that you expect from people who eat at the same table.

We don't always recognize God's help. Prayer is not always answered by God doing things for us, but sometimes in God helping us to do things for ourselves or for one another. God sends us human angels, and we often get opportunities to be such an angel to someone in need.

Ultimately, the Father sent us his Son as our nourishment, Jesus, who is the Bread of Life. With the strength of this bread, we will walk all the way to his eternal kingdom!

From Pope Benedict's lips to our ears:

*The Vatican recently issued a question-and-answer format book that teaches the truth about Jesus & the Catholic Church.*

**Question: What is the value of private revelations?**

**Answer: While not belonging to the deposit of faith, private revelations may help a person to live the faith as long as they lead to Christ.**

**The Magisterium of the Church, which has the duty of evaluating such private revelations, cannot accept those which claim to surpass or correct that definitive Revelation which is Christ.**

How St. Jerome Parish arose from 'Velika Gospa'

"Velika Gospa" (literally "Great Lady" in Croatian) is Our Lady's greatest feast day: August 15, Assumption Day, the day recalling her bodily assumption into heaven.

On "Velika Gospa" 291 years ago, the town of Sinj (in Croatia) was miraculously delivered from an impending attack by the Ottoman Empire, after the Croatians of Sinj held an all-night "Velika Gospa" prayer vigil. The Croatians of Sinj are still tremendously grateful for their deliverance by Our Lady's help on Velika Gospa, which is marked by a grand procession, Mass and festivities.

Almost two centuries later, many Croatians from Sinj emigrated to Bridgeport in Chicago, bringing with them their love and gratitude toward Our Lady.

In 1906, these Croatian immigrants first celebrated Velika Gospa (in a Bohemian parish) with a simple procession at a Croatian-language Mass. Thereafter, the celebration of Velika Gospa in Bridgeport grew, borrowing ideas from how Velika Gospa was grandly celebrated in Sinj, Croatia. In 1912, these Croatian Catholics who were brought together by their love and gratitude toward Our Lady managed to establish their own Croatian parish: St. Jerome's. St. Jerome's grew out of devotion to Velika Gospa! Accordingly, the church has a Velika Gospa shrine, with a replica of the icon of Our Lady of Sinj. During St. Jerome's entire existence, the feast of Velika Gospa has been central to its parish life.

## WISDOM'S CORNER

### In Disguise

There was a bad flood and the cellar of Thomas' house filled up with water. A man came by in a canoe and offered him help.

Thomas told him, "No thank you. I have faith in God. He will save me."

The water rose and flooded the ground floor. Thomas was forced to go his second-floor balcony. A man in a motor boat came by and offered to assist him, but Thomas replied, "No thanks. I have faith in God. He will save me."

The water rose still higher, and Thomas had to climb to the roof. A helicopter came to take him to safety.

Once again he declined, saying, "No thanks. I have faith that God will save me."

The water continued to rise, and Thomas drowned.

Upon arriving in heaven he asked God, "Why did you let me down when I had such total faith in you?"

And God replied, "I sent you a canoe, a motor boat and a copter, and each time you refused my helpers. What more were you looking for?"

*People go through a bad periods in life. Often it is only the caring of a human angel that helps them get through it.*

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## THE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

**"Weakness is not incompatible with faith.  
Recognition of weakness is the first step  
on the road to rehabilitation."**

## WEDDING BANNS

Ante Pervan & Tamara Rudny (II)  
Salvatore 'Sam' Ricobene Jr. & Janet Mireles (I)

*2 days till Velika Gospa!*

- **VELIKA GOPSA NOVENA** continues: The Saturday and Sunday Novena Masses at 7 p.m. satisfy the Sunday obligation. We are grateful to all the priests who led the Novena and to the people who, in this hectic time, prepared themselves spiritually for Our Lady's great day.
- **August 15, Assumption Day** ("Velika Gospa" in Croatian), is a "**holy day of obligation.**" Masses are at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 12 noon (after the Procession), and at 7 p.m.
- **Chop, cut, peel for Velika Gospa:** The ladies of the parish are invited to bring cutting boards, knives and potato peelers to the School Hall at **12:30 p.m. this Sunday, Aug. 13**, to chop, cut and peel the vegetables we need for our feast day. *The more the merrier — and the faster we get done.*
- **VELIKA GOPSA BAKE SALE:** Sunday, Aug. 13 from 2-6 p.m. baked goods will be accepted at the School Hall. Then the baked goods will be **sold in the School Hall from 6 p.m. until some time after the 7 p.m. Novena Mass is completed.**
- **Velika Gospa flowers:** To donate flowers for Velika Gospa, please contact Ivan & Vesna Jureta, Louis & Mary Scalise or Ken & Jan Zekich.
- **Food order forms** are available at the rectory and in the back of church.
- **PLEASE BUY OR SELL RAFFLE TICKETS** to support our parish and to have a chance to win the \$5,000.00 Grand Prize, the \$1,000.00 2nd Prize or the \$500.00 3rd Prize. Additional raffle tickets to sell to family and friends are available at the rectory.
- Large, High-Quality 'Our Lady of Sinj' posters available at the rectory for \$10. Put one in your window if on Procession route.
- **Croatian flags on poles** are available for this year's Velika Gospa, for \$28.00 (3 x 5 ft.) For hanging outside your home and/or carrying in the Procession. Purchase at rectory.
- **SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE AUG. 16:** St. Jerome School will host an Open House on Wednesday, August 16 from 4-7 p.m. for all new families interested in attending the school during 2006-07. There are still openings in grades 1-8.

The Third Annual Charity Golf Tournament will be held by St. Jerome Parish, in conjunction with the Velika Gospa feast day, and by the Croatians of Chicagoland.

The proceeds of this annual event benefit children's **orphanages in Vukovar**, Croatia, the site of tragic suffering in 1991 and beyond.

We will be playing a shotgun round on 18 holes, followed by dinner. Driving range time with complementary balls is included. A raffle with sports memorabilia and other items will take place at the dinner. Prizes for best players.

**When:** SUNDAY, August 27 (please note: NOT Saturday)

**Where:** Highland Woods Golf Course, 2775 N. Ela Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 847-359-5850.

Reservations made only upon receipt of \$130 payment, which includes golf, gifts, dinner. **Please Contact:** Miro Planinic (773-983-9818), Ivan Kutlesa (312-315-1746), Jerry Majic (312-623-2570), Marko Karacic (773-716-7400) or Mark Pavljasevic (773-456-9400).



Dear friends,

In two days we will come together as a faith community to celebrate with our neighbors for the 100th time in honor of Our Lady.

*The Procession begins Tuesday at 10 a.m. in front of our School. Please march with us if you are able to do so safely.*

We need the men of the parish to come before 10 a.m., so that they can help carry the many flags in an organized fashion.

*Please take the day off to be here for Our Lady's 100th celebration in Chicago!*

**PARKING FOR THE FEAST:**

1. Old Neighborhood Italian American Club (about 70 spaces)
2. Under the Highway at 27th Street between Wells & Wentworth (about 150 spaces). Enter on 27th.
3. Mark Sheridan School 533 W. 27th St. between Wallace & Parnell (about 200 spaces)

**PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS COMING TO THE FEAST WHERE THEY CAN PARK.**

**Honored Dignitaries & Guests:**

1. **Fr. Luka Tomasevic** from the School of Theology in Split, Croatia, will be the main celebrant of our Mass at noon.
2. For the first time in the U.S., the famous "**Knights of Sinj**" (or "Sinjski Alkari") and their assistants will join our Procession, with horses.
3. **His Honor, the Mayor of Chicago, Richard M. Daley.**
4. Croatian National Television, as well as Chicago media.
5. **Chicago Auxiliary Bishop Francis J. Kane**, and many local priests and visiting priests.
6. **Grand Marshall Giggie Cortese.**

**FOR THE FIRST TIME TUESDAY EVENING, ENJOY A VELIKA GOPSA FIREWORKS DISPLAY.**

**Check [www.stjeromecroatian.org](http://www.stjeromecroatian.org) for more information.**

**86th ANNIV. Feast of St. Rocco**, Sunday, Aug. 20, St. Therese Church 218 W. Alexander St., Mass 10:30 am, Procession immediately after Mass. Novena and Anointing of Sick Sat. Aug. 19 7:30 pm in church.