

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday – Ponedjeljak, July 23, 2007**

7:30 a.m. Vica Sekso Franjo & Barbara Kosić
Zlatan Markota ob. Ilija Miletić
Donna Byers Marion Roti

Tuesday – Utorak, July 24, 2007

7:30 a.m. Eva Butera Marian Segvich
Ana & Ivan Sabljic ob. Ilija Miletić
Dominic Velcich sestre
Caroline Zanielli Jan Ferro

**Wednesday – Srijeda, July 25, 2007
Feast of St. James, Apostle**

7:30 a.m. Anto Maslač Stojan Maslač
Ivan Babić Nediljko Babić
Rosemary Kozlar Ann Weber

**Thursday – Četvrtak, July 26, 2007
Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, parents of Mary**

7:30 a.m. Ana Vidović Bože Guvo
Mike Brcich wife Ann
Rafo, Frano i Zvonko Rogić ob. Marta Spahija

Friday – Petak, July 27, 2007

7:30 a.m. John Fratto (25th anniv.) Mary Fratto
Mike Sablich sister Theresa
Ivan Babić Valerie Babić
Margaret Marcello family

Saturday – Subota, July 28, 2007

7:30 a.m. Vlatko Čuvalo Božo i Stoja Kosir
Tuna i Andrija Štrbić ob. Vesna Mlinarich
Annie Lorenzen Bazan family

5:30 p.m. Connie Fratto (1st anniv.) children
Dorothy Rogulich Janetzke family
Eva Butera Giggie
Frank R. Szatkowski Rosemary Renda
Nicolina Danile Rick & Caroline Bielski
Nick & Jennie Salerno Gerard

Sunday – Nedjelja, July 29, 2007

7:30 a.m. Evelyn Čondić Duško
Sr. M. Bernardine Čondić Nick & Catherine Perisin
Lucy Fiscella Mike & Camille Kristich
Sigismundo Rizzo Charles & Patricia Marino

9:30 a.m. Jenny Pešo family
Mike Brcich Ann Contino
Theresa Anne Link Giggie Cortese
Connie Fratto Cathy Amato

11:00 a.m. u spomen

Luca Guvo Maria Diacci
Robert Jurlina ob. Jurlina
Slavica Blažević ob. Mato Blažević
Vlatko Čuvalo Petar i Marija Dušević
Krsto i Danica Spahija ob. Spahija
Dominik Velčić sestre
Jozo Braovac ob. Petar Pavić
Žarko Ostojčić Anica
Andrija Mrzljak Ankica i Drago Uremović
Slobodan Majstorović ob. Ivan Mlinarich
Joko Tokić Stanko i Mara Šušnjara
Ante Dukić ob. Ivanke Perić
Pok. iz ob. M. & T. Condić sin
Pok. iz ob. Armic i Brkovic ob. Armic
Za Hrvatske branitelje Križa Ostojčić i ob.

LECTORS

Sat., July 28, 5:30 p.m. Joseph Magyar
Sun., July 29, 7:30 a.m. Matthew Pesce
Sun., July 29, 9:30 a.m. Giggie Cortese
Sun., July 29, 11:00 a.m. Milan Žolo, Darko
Grgić, Davorka Toromanović

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., July 28, 5:30 p.m. C. Garcia, S. Garcia, Racinowski
Sun., July 29, 7:30 a.m. L. Rubio, M. Rubio
Sun., July 29, 9:30 a.m. Iglesias, Passi, Perseghin
Sun., July 29, 11:00 a.m. D. Bajić, A. Rogić, M.
Kosir, M. Šego, I. Jureta

Help Wanted: Need caregiver/companion for elderly female parishioner in Bridgeport about 4 hours during the day, Monday thru Friday. Call Mary 773-927-7044.

Work Wanted: Baby sitting, elder-care and/or house-keeping. Call 312-225-5233.

For Rent: 1-bdrm apt. 32nd Princeton. 312-225-7959.
▶ Apt 36th Normal, 3 bdrm, \$850. 312-671-2160.
▶ 29th & Princeton, 3 room apt, 1 bedroom – w/ heat, washer & dryer, stove & refrig in apt. 312-842-5166.
▶ 28th Princeton. 1½ bdrm, central air/heat. Free laundry in bldg. \$750/mo + 1 mo. sec. dep. Non-smkg, no pets. Leave message 11am-7pm 312-501-0918.

For Sale: 2818 S. Wells, house for sale, 773-704-7302.

WEEKLY MEDITATION for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel many of us will sympathize with Martha. Jesus praised Martha's sister, Mary, who sat and listened, rather than Martha, who did all the work.

Jesus was making a point for the benefit of people like Martha, who are essentially generous but overly anxious about getting things done. It's not simply that she was busy, but that she was *too* busy to pay attention to what was most important.

Our daily lives are made up of chores and duties that fall into two categories: urgent and essential. Many of the things we do are "urgent," but only a few are truly "essential." We have to distinguish between the two, and give priority to the "essential."

Martha gave priority to the urgent and neglected the essential. Mary got her priorities right—she dropped everything and listened to the words of

Jesus when he was in her midst. Action and contemplation are not meant to be contrasted. Both are necessary, and have to be integrated into life.

Working generously is important, but so is receiving from Jesus, listening to Jesus.

Obviously, it is not enough to know how to give. We must also know how to receive. Both are graced activities. Everything in our lives benefits when we spend time with Jesus.

WISDOM'S CORNER

Giving and Receiving

I had a dream that Jesus Himself was coming to *my* house, just like He came to the house of Martha and Mary. So I scrubbed it from top to bottom. I set the table with my *best* dinnerware, and beautiful candles and flowers. For food I spared no expense. I even rolled out a red carpet.


He came and I think I did Him proud, waiting on Him hand and foot. He, for His part, was most gracious. Everything went off like *clockwork*. When He left I felt good, yet something began to bother me. A question arose within me: **What did He want from me?** Food? Hospitality? Then I heard a second question sounding inside me: What was it that He wanted to give me? I felt sure that He wanted to give me something, but whatever it was, I gave Him no opportunity to give it to me. I created the impression that everything was *perfect* and that I *wanted for nothing*. I realize now that I missed getting something even more important than what I gave.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"When we pray, is it a monologue, or do we listen too?"

This summer we will offer 30 ways to live a holier life.

Holiness is for everyone who wants to be *more effective* at spreading the Light of Christ to loved ones. Holiness isn't just for monks and nuns; it's for everyone.



LOVE IS
HARD WORK

#8: Learn to 'let it go.' Think carefully before arguing, fighting, disagreeing, or criticizing. Be an instrument of peace. Being "assertive" has its place, especially in challenging injustice toward the vulnerable, but recall how un-assertive Jesus was during the suffering of his Passion.

#9: Share your faith. Talk about Jesus with people who are curious. God doesn't want us to keep his love all to ourselves. We have to pass it on. But before we can most usefully teach others, we need to know our Faith well—and if we humbly see that we don't know our Faith well enough, we should take steps to learn it. There are many fun books for learning the Faith, and one such book with an amusing title but very accurate doctrine is "Catholicism for Dummies" by Fr. John Trigilio & Fr. Ken Brighenti. Most adults and young people would benefit from this good-humored book, which is available in most bookstores.

One-Minute Catholic Catechism:

In today's Gospel, Mary listened to Jesus—her listening was an important type of prayer: contemplative prayer. Let's consider prayer:

Prayer, according to the Catholic Catechism, is a gift from God.

Prayer is where we meet God, where we offer ourselves to him and where we struggle to understand how profoundly he has offered him-

self to us. Without prayer, we will have a remote relationship with Our Father, the One Whom we address when we pray as Jesus taught us.

Christians pray the Lord Jesus' Prayer at all times and in all seasons, alone and during Mass. But we also pray in many other ways: in wordless meditation, in contemplation of the beauty of God's creation, in reciting, singing, working, listening.

"Pray without ceasing," Christians

are urged, and during the past 2,000 years we have found many tried and true ways to draw near to Jesus in prayer. For example, spending quality time with Jesus during an hour of Eucharistic Adoration, or working to serve others out of our love for God, or even offering thanks to God for situations that the secular world would label "adversity." Through our rich relationships with God, we can better see God's grace in our lives.



Velika Gospa Feast is coming soon!

By now everyone should have received the Velika Gospa mailing — please call the rectory if you did not receive the mailing.

The raffle ticket system has been improved significantly. **The grand prize will be 4 times bigger this year: \$20,000.00, with the other prizes being \$7,500.00 and \$2,500.00.** Of course the price of the raffle tickets have gone up like the grand prize, so we encourage inviting friends and family to jointly purchase tickets — for example, 5 people spending \$20 each on one ticket. Thank you for selling as many tickets as possible. If you are unable to sell either ticket, please kindly return it to the rectory.

We also need volunteers. If you are willing to help us in any of these ways:

- ◇ Setting up
- ◇ Cleaning
- ◇ Helping at the booths
- ◇ Helping at the bar
- ◇ Selling tickets
- ◇ Miscellaneous tasks

please sign your name on the lists provided in the back of the church.

VELIKA GOSPA E-MAIL: Do you have any ideas or suggestions on how to improve our Velika Gospa celebration? Send a note to our new Velika Gospa e-mail address: VelikaGospa@gmail.com

Please pray for our beloved deceased

Our parishioner **Mary Ruglio** (maiden name Šipić), age 90, was buried from our church last week. We extend our sympathy to her sister Ann, to Mary's children Pearl (Nick) Calace, Daniel, Judith, Gerard "Artie" (Kim) and Leo Ruglio, to her 8 grandchildren and 6 great-grandkids. Our parish is deeply grateful for the mothering that Mary offered to many of our parish's newly arrived Croatian immigrants during the 1960s. *May she rest in peace!*

THIS WEEKEND: St. Barbara Picnic Fest: July 21-22, 2859 So. Throop. Listen and dance to live music, eat grilled food, enjoy games of chance.

The 4th 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 an **orphanage in Sinj, Croatia.**

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

When: SUNDAY, August 19

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

Times: Registration: 11:30 pm
Lunch & Raffle: Noon
Range: 1:00 pm
Shot Gun Start: 1:30 pm

Reservations made only upon receipt of \$150 payment, which includes golf, gifts, lunch. **Please Contact:** Miro Planinic (773-983-9818), Ivan Kutlesa (312-315-1746), Marko Karacic (773-716-7400) or Mark Pavljasevic (773-456-9400).

THANK YOU!



Get Books, Movies, Music, and Software online and benefit our Parish School at the same time: go to StJerome.MyLibraryBookstore.com and save 25 percent off list price, with 6 percent of net sales going to benefit our school!

Theology on Tap' for Young Adults Tuesday: Theology on Tap is a special national Catholic program exclusively for Young Adults in their 20's and 30's, married or single. This week's speaker is **Dr. Lynn Stasior** on "The Young Adult Experience." It's this Tuesday, July 24 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Barb's, 2859 S. Throop St., with a Chinese dinner at 7 p.m. Young people from all Bridgeport parishes are invited to deepen their faith and relationship with Jesus.

St. Mary's High grad from 1960?: A 50th Reunion is beginning to be planned for St. Mary of Perpetual Help High School, Class of 1960. Anyone with information about people from this class should contact Pat Podobailo Jurek at 708-895-2704.

Nativity of Our Lord Vacation Bible School: Monday through Friday, Aug. 6 to 10, 9 a.m. to Noon, no set fee but donations accepted, age range is 3 to 10, registration closes July 28. To register call Cora Cuzco at 708-945-4210. For more, call Carrie Petrulic at 773-847-0306.