

**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday – Ponedjeljak, November 26, 2007**

7:30 a.m. Anđa Maslač	Stojan Maslač
Anto Tomić	Anđa Tomić
Clara Mihojevich	Dolly Caponigro
Viktor & Ankica Bublic	Viki Ivezić & family

**Tuesday – Utorak, November 27, 2007**

7:30 a.m. Margaret Marcello	Pace family
Augustine & Agnes Salamone	daughter Frannie
Michael Wilkie	Frano & Carol Marasovich
Na nakanu	Viki Ivezić & family

**Wednesday – Srijeda, November 28, 2007**

7:30 a.m. Ana Bizić	Valerija Babić
Dominic & Lena Marino	Chris & Matt Pesce
Carmella & Rosario Passarelli	family
Martin Miloslavich	Sharon Bentivegna
Na nakanu	Anđa Tomić

**Thursday – Četvrtak, November 29, 2007**

7:30 a.m. Grace Borovina	C. Borovina
Donna Byers	Joe & Bernie Serio
Christine Maletich	Joseph Rozman
Na nakanu	Jure i Milka Krpan
Na nakanu	N.N.

**Friday – Petak, November 30, 2007**  
Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle

7:30 a.m. Michaeleen Kudulis	family
Andrija Mrzljak	Lou & Mary Scalise
Michael Wilkie	Lana & Pat Cimaglia

**Saturday – Subota, December 1, 2007**

7:30 a.m. Michael Sablich	sister Theresa
Tony Boy Piegari	John & Marge Piegari
Dragica Lukić	Ivan Mlinarich family
Paul & Martha DiCaro	Catherine & Nick Perisin
Mary Levato	Catherine & Nick Perisin

5:30 p.m. Virg & Joe Ferro	Jan Ferro
Frank Vulich	Ginny & children
Sr. M. Bernardine Čondić	Steve Bilandić
Stanley Szatkowski	family
Frank Szatkowski	Bazan family
Mary Perkovich	Luanne & Frank Munizzi
Na čast Gospi	ob. Ćosić

**Sunday – Nedjelja, December 2, 2007**

7:30 a.m. Evelyn Čondić	Duško
Maria & Jerko Plisic	family
Mary Radetić	Catherine & Nick Perisin

9:30 a.m. Donna Byers	Joe & Bernie Serio
Paul DiCaro	Richard & Jan Ferro
Clara Mihojevich	M/M Frank Louzon & sons
Eva Butera	Albina Marasovich
Anthony Marcello	Rose Marie Sestito
Williamae Versetto	George Ferro & family
For health of members of Saracco & Luce families	friend

**11:00 a.m. u spomen**

Milan Luburić	ob. Karlo i Dragica Karačić
Marija Škalić	Josip i Kata Bajzec
Josip Lišnić	Ivan Biuk
Vice Misura	ob. Jakov Bilonić
Frano Brajković	Neva Zelić sa ob.
Mara Hodak	ob. Ivan Mlinarić
Kata Draženović	Duško i Jadranka Kraljević
Luce Bajamić	ob. Rodić
Marija Mišetić	ob. Neva Zelić
Zvonko Katalinić	obitelj
Ana Jakić	ob. Jakelja
Tomislav Šipić	ob. Pudar
Stipe Pervan	obitelj
Luca Guvo	ob. Bože Guvo
Pok. iz ob. M. i T. Čondić	sin
Pok. ob. Markotić	Stoja Kosir
Pok. iz ob. Bozich i Grzetich	Joe & El
Deceased of Club Poljica	Club Poljica

**LECTORS**

**Sat., Dec. 1, 5:30 p.m.** Robert Bazan  
**Sun., Dec. 2, 7:30 a.m.** Luanne Munizzi  
**Sun., Dec. 2, 9:30 a.m.** Domingo Rodriguez  
**Sun., Dec. 2, 11:00 a.m.** Milan Žolo, Zrinka Jureta, Ana Ivezić

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sat., Dec. 1, 5:30 p.m.** Ferro, Wilkie, Racinowski  
**Sun., Dec. 2, 7:30 a.m.** Insalaco, Passi  
**Sun., Dec. 2, 9:30 a.m.** Iglesias, Meo, Rudmin  
**Sun., Dec. 2, 11:00 a.m.** D. Paraga, M. Golub, M. Kikaš, I. Jurković, K. Cikoch, D. Jurković

**For Rent:** Vicinity 25th Place: 6-room apt., 3 bdrms. Enc. sun porch. Remodeled. Washer, dryer & fridge. 312-608-5947

► 29<sup>th</sup> & Princeton, 2<sup>nd</sup> fl rear, 3 rm apmt, 1 bdrm, newly renovated. New cabinets, appl., incl. microwave. H/W floors. Patio outside your door. Credit chk req., 1 mo. sec. dep. No pets. \$850/mo. includes ht. 773-485-3870

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

## WEEKLY MEDITATION for the Solemnity of Christ the King

Jesus is indeed a king, but not the usual sort of king.

He came not to conquer armies, but to convert hearts; not to sinfully dominate but to liberate from sin; not to proudly rule but to humbly serve. He died crucified like a criminal, yet he reigned as king from the cross. He responded to the worst in us with what was best in him.

On the cross, Jesus endured insults and mockery, yet his heart remained open, even to his enemies. He

absorbed all the violence, transformed it, and returned it as love and forgiveness.

All of the time when we suffer pain, pain can easily turn into rage, causing us to lash out blindly at whomever happens to be within range.

But from the depths of his own pain Jesus reached out to comfort the repentant thief who was crucified next

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to him. Some people are like sugar cane — when crushed in the mill, what they yield is sweetness.

Jesus stretches our capacity for compassion. He challenges our idea of love. Each of us has a great capacity for love.

The pity is that it often goes unused.

By our love, people will know that we are followers of Christ the King.

## WISDOM'S CORNER

### *Stumbling block or stepping stone?*

Once, two travelers were going through a forest when night came upon them. In a matter of minutes, the narrow path that they had been following became invisible. In the darkness, terror lurked everywhere. To make matters worse, a violent thunderstorm broke over the forest.

The first man looked on the storm as a calamity. Every time there was a flash of lightning, he looked up at the sky and cursed. The result was that he strayed from the path and got lost in the forest. The second man looked on the storm as a blessing in disguise. Each flash of lightning lit up a little bit of the path ahead of him, and so he was able to take several steps forward. Little by little, he made his way out of the forest.

*Sometimes that's the way it is in life. There is just enough light to be able to take the next step; just enough strength to do the present task. The thunderstorm was the same for both travelers, yet for one it proved to be a stumbling block, while for the other it proved to be a stepping stone.*

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## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

**"Don't judge a day only by the harvest reaped, but also by the seeds planted."**

## Franciscan Friars: 1209-2009, and beyond...

Continuing our gradual look at the Franciscan Friars as they approach their 800th birthday as a Religious Order, we focus our attention on the man who started it all:

### **St. Francis of Assisi (1181-1226).**



***Francis the would-be soldier*** (a continuation)

The low fever that Francis contracted while a prisoner of war opened his eyes a bit to the emptiness of a life focused on knightly glory. With returning health, however, Francis's eagerness after glory reawakened and his fancy wandered in search of victories; at length he resolved to embrace a military career, and circumstances seemed to favor his aspirations. A knight of Assisi was about to go off to battle, and Francis arranged to accompany him.

Francis's biographers tell us that the night before he set forth, Francis had a strange dream, in which he saw a vast hall hung with armor all marked with the Cross. "These," said a Voice, "are for you and your soldiers."

Because of this dream, Francis exclaimed: "I know I shall be a great prince!" And he departed with the knight of Assisi to do battle in Apulia. But a second illness arrested his course at Spoleto. There, we are told, Francis had another dream in which the same Voice told him to return back to Assisi. He did so at once. Francis was 24.

Although Francis still joined at times in the noisy celebrating of his former comrades, his changed demeanor plainly showed that his heart was no longer with them; a yearning for the life of the spirit had already possessed it.

*(To be continued...)*

*Many thanks can be given this  
Thanksgiving Day weekend...*

### HELP FOR MOTHERS WITH CRISIS PREGNANCIES

The Womens Centers of Chicagoland, who help mothers with crisis pregnancies get the information and assistance they need to decide to "choose life" for their unborn babies, were amazed by St. Jerome's "**Spare Change Saves Babies**" campaign in the month of October. The money in our baby bottles totaled **\$3,678.76**, including \$3,046.76 in coins. The Centers, the moms and the kids are profoundly grateful.

### THANKS FOR THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

To St. Jerome Parish,

On behalf of the Social Care staff at St. James [Food Pantry], I would like to thank all of you at Saint Jerome Parish for the great abundance of food [donated: **a total of 101 bags**]. This food will be given to the homeless, homebound seniors and families that are struggling economically.

In the month of October we provided food for 1256 families. This is the highest number we have ever served in a month. It is also a sign of the growing number of families that depend on St. James Food Pantry. Without the help you have always provided we would never be able to meet the needs of our clients so well.

*May you be always blessed for you continuous generosity.*  
Peter Wawire, director of Social Care, 2907 S. Wabash Ave.

### HELP FOR FRANCISCAN SEMINARIANS


Dear Fr. Jozo, Fr. Ivan & good Parishioners of St. Jerome:

On behalf of all Croatian Franciscans, I would like to thank you for your generous contribution (\$1,100.00) as a special St. Francis Feast Day collection towards the Croatian Franciscans Education Fund.

People like you help us educate our young Franciscans who will then serve you, the people of God. Right now, we have one candidate from our Croatian Franciscan Custody — Fra Tomislav Pek. He is studying in Zagreb and you had the opportunity to meet him at the Velika Gospa Feast Day here, in Chicago, this past summer. There are also fifteen members — students — from our Mother Province studying with Fra Tomislav in Zagreb.

May the good Lord reward you with Peace and His Goodness for your generosity.

Gratefully,  
Fr. Marko Puljić, OFM  
Custos of Croatian Franciscan Custody

peace with  
the LORD 

**Please remember in your prayers the soul of our parishioner Mary Harzich**, age 102 and 4 days, who entered Eternity this past week. The sympathy and prayers of our parish goes out to her 5 living children — Mary (Harry) Pavela, John (Dolores) Harzich, Eleanore (John) Bedalow, Joan (the late Ray) Sipich, and Joseph (Mary) Harzich; her 17 grandchildren Harry (Marcia) Pavela, Tom Pavela, Dave (Debbie) Pavela, Valeri Mineiko, Sharon Harzich, John (Kathy) Harzich, Anthony Bedalow, Sally (Brian) Courtney, Craig (Susan) Sipich, Trina Sipich-Powell, Mark (Kelli) Sipich, Joseph Harzich, Lisa (Tom) Scudder, Lana Harzich, Lori (George) Stell and the late Gary Pavela and Janice Bedalow; her 26 great-grandchildren; and her two great-great-grandchildren. Born Maria Velčić in Beli on the Croatian island of Cres on Nov. 15, 1905, Mary wed a young man from Beli, John Harzich (whose name in Croatian was Hrzić), here at St. Jerome's in 1924.

***May Mary & John rest in God's peace!***

**Thanks be to God for our new Altar Servers:** At this weekend's 9:30 Mass, the following children are becoming altar servers:

**Julianna Babich, Nicolina Balazs,  
Natalie Bova, Alex Insalaco,  
Marissa Meo, Theo Mossman,  
and Catherine Perseghin.**

*Congratulations & thanks to them and their parents!*

**Our Advent Giving Tree is the back of the church:** Help a needy child by picking up a gift suggestion hanging on our Advent Giving Tree in the back of the church.

**Next Weekend:** At our Masses Dec. 1st & 2nd, Fr. Jack O'Malley will talk to us about "Cross International Catholic Outreach," which helps the poorest of the poor around the world.

**Breakfast with Santa is coming:** Sunday, Dec. 9. Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$6.00 for adults, and \$3 for children. Pictures can be taken with Santa from 8:30 a.m. to noon. There will also be a craft table, and raffle prizes. For more, especially about craft booths, please contact Joan Wroblewski at 773-847-1866.