MASS INTENTIONS



Monday - Ponedjeljak, November 28, 2005

7:30 A.M. Rafael Rogić Krystyne / Jadre Rogić Catherine Gusich Ann Kotarac Evelyn Condich Jure & Linda Strbich

Tuesday - Utorak, November 29, 2005

7:30 A.M. Luka Botica Donna DeGrazia
Grace Borovina family
Tony & Audrey Zekich sister Lucille Blaney

Wednesday – Srijeda, November 30, 2005 St. Andrew the Apostle

7:30 A.M. William Maresso Robert & Lisa Link Stana Delich Mary Fratto Michaeleen Kudulis family

8:05 A.M. For Parishioners

Thursday - Četvrtak, December 1, 2005

7:30 A.M. Daniel Pintar family and friends Esther Flores Morris & Lynn Shankman Catherine Gusich Lucille Munizzi

Friday - Petak, December 2, 2005

7:30 A.M. Stipe Ivezić ob. Ivezić Tomislav Hostička Catherine & Nick Perisin Special Intention Marasovich family

Saturday – Subota, December 3, 2005 St. Francis Xavier

7:30 A.M. Joseph Bozich Josie Hanson Mark Sukolowsky Catherine & Nick Perisin Margaret Gore Simon Condic

5:30 P.M. Dominic & Lena Marino family Jerome W. Maresso Mr. & Mrs. Robert Link Anthony Zekic Tony Batina

Sunday - Nedjelja, December 4, 2005

7:30 A.M. Zorka Pešo Rapaich Millie Balich Linda Humbert husband Robert Ross Micetich Catherine & Nick Perisin

9:30 A.M. Sr. Imelda Velcich
Charles Miller

Joan Sipich
Mary Harzich

11:00 A.M. u spomen

Tomislav Hostička ob. Hostička Dragutin Radošević Dane Mišura Ante Ćiro Dukić ob. Žolo Katica Hobar Obitelj Hobar sup. Katarina, kćerka Sanja i zet Ivan Ante Dragnić Zlatko Đebro ob. Pero Đebro Vinko Lišnić Luka Bajić Club Poliica Pokoini Kluba Poliica Pok. ob. Bozić i Grzetich Joe & Eleanor Grzetich Pok. ob. Bešlić Blagica Sve svoje mrtve ob. Ivan Maroš Za duše u čistilištu ob. Karačić Na čast Sv. Anti ob. Pavo Badrov



Saturday, December 3, 5:30 P.M. Robert Bazan Sunday, December 4, 7:30 A.M. Matt Pesce Sunday, December 4, 9:30 A.M. Jan Zekich Sunday, December 4, 11:00 A.M. Josip Novak, Milan Zolo



Sat., December 3, 5:30 P.M. A. Nero, P. Nero, Raddatz

Sunday, December 4, 7:30 A.M. A. Sarkauskas, R. Sarkauskas

Sunday, December 4, 9:30 A.M. Mitchell, Passi, Perseghin

Sunday, December 4, 11:00 A.M. Mark Carlson, Ante Kraljević, S. Šušnjara, Dario Jurković

FOR RENT

- ▶ 29th Shields, large 7 rms, great condition, appl. included, \$675/mo. w/heat 773 523 1069
- ▶ Apt. 31st & Wells, 6 rms, 3 bdrms, Central air & heat, Hrdwd flrs, appliances included. 312 326 3805
- ► Apt. 30th Princeton, 2nd flr, newly remodeled, central air/heat. Available Dec. 1st 312 225 0582
- ► Two apts. in 2 flat bldg, all new. 773 775 7541.
- ► Large apt. vicinity 29th Shields, 6 rms, very good condition, heat included, \$700. 773 523 1069

WEEKLY MEDITATION First Sunday of Advent

Advent marks the beginning of a new church year, and it has some similarities to the month of January and its New Year's resolutions. A good New Year's resolution can make a turning point in life, a breakthrough, a bad habit (like smoking) left behind, or a good habit embraced (like meditating daily upon the Rosary). Likewise Advent is a time of turnarounds. We see that in the skies: days shorten, nights lengthen until the

last week of Advent when things turn around, and the days lengthen and the nights shorten—the light begins to grow. And the big turn around from which Advent gains all its meaning is the Coming of Jesus into our world. The Baby in the Manger who not only shaped human history but the history of the universe. And during Advent we also look forward to the Second Coming when there will be a fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

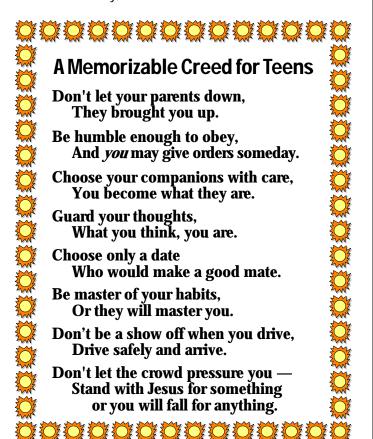
Advent is also a time of shopping but that is of course not the primary meaning. Whatever we buy and receive are merely *external*. Amid the hectic shopping, the studying for final exams, the writing of term papers, the planning of get-togethers, we can solidify our lives by changing ourselves *internally*. Take the month to gradually do better and better discarding a bad habit or embracing a good one. Let Christ's Light shine.

BAPTISM

Today we welcome into our faith community through the sacrament of baptism:

Michael John Misura & Christina Ann Misura

the twin babies of Tammy (nee Neeley) and John Misura. His Godparents are Megan Hyland and Robert Misura, and hers are Dijana Misura and Jerry Neeley. Congratulations to the family, and God bless Michael and Christina!



WISDOM'S CORNER

PEOPLE NEED PEOPLE

One of the first episodes of the Andy Griffith show depicted the following: After the death of his wife, Sheriff Andy Taylor decided to invite his Aunt Bee to come and live with Opie and him, thinking that she would add the missing feminine touch. Opie is not too pleased to have Aunt Bee come and "replace" his mother. Andy tries to help the situation by inviting Aunt Bee to go fishing and frog-catching with them so that Opie can become attached to her. Instead, she fails miserably at fishing and frogging and later at football. Finally, late at night, after Opie is in bed, Aunt Bee talks Andy into taking her to the bus station. Opie hears her crying outside, beneath his bedroom window, and he guesses that she's leaving. He runs down the stairs and out to the truck, exclaiming: "We can't let her go, Pa, she needs us! She can't even catch frogs, take fish off the hook, or throw a football! We've got to take care of her, or she'll never make it."

The great good that can come when we seek to help others (and seemingly fail to help) can surprise us.

THE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"We reform others unconsciously when we walk uprightly."

Fresh from a performance at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.:

K LAPA SINJ & NENAD BACH 7 p.m., Wednesday, December 7

CHICAGO CULTURAL CENTER, 78 E. WASHINGTON ST.

This musical group performs in an extraordinary polyphonic vocal tradition known as *Klapa*, an all-male vocal style influenced by Italian harmonies and melodies. They will also perform songs with Nenad Bach on guitar and piano. No charge for admission.

Football Mania Winners: **Here are the winning numbers for Week 11:** \$500 -2199, \$137.50 - 2681 & 1097, \$50 - 70, \$25 - 717, 2010 & 2087.

St. Jerome Property Fund

Mortgage Debt from New Parking Lot: \$ 400,000
Donated to Date: \$ 162,706
November Donations Thus Far: \$ 3,520
Needed for monthly Mortgage Payment: \$ 11,900

Thank you to all who have contributed and to all who are considering a contribution!

Thank you for donating food!

Many thanks to all who donated food over the past 2 months. Our new St. Jerome's Youth Service Corps made 3 pre-Thanksgiving deliveries to local food pantries, including the Pacific Garden Mission and the Greater Chicago Food Depository. A grand total of 68 bags and 5 boxes of badly needed groceries! God bless you for your generosity.

Toy Drive for Kids Suffering Health Problems

We invite you to pick out an ornament from our **Advent Sharing Tree** in the back corner of the church by the Ushers' Room. Please purchase the toy or game named on the ornament for one of the approximately 100 children hospitalized or receiving out-patient treatment at **La Rabida Children's Hospital** this Christmas.



Please bring the toy **UNWRAPPED** and **leave it under the tree or at the rectory.** All gifts must be delivered to St. Jerome's **by December 10th**. Thank you for your cooperation.

"Pope John Paul II"—Four-hour ministries on CBS airs Dec. 4 at 8 p.m CT and continues on Dec. 7 at 7 p.m "Have no fear: The life of Pope John Paul II" on ABC airs Dec. 1 at 7 p.m Central Time.



Croatian School kids to perform at Museum of Science & Industry: Saturday, Dec. 10 at 1:30 p.m.

St. Jerome's "Cardinal Stepinac" Croatian School will perform a Christmas dance-and-music show in Hyde Park as part of the Museum of Science & Industry's annual "Christmas Around the World" series. Please come and enjoy this chance to see Croatian culture brought to life by our young people in a magnificent setting.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

Our Christmas Eve Children's Mass plans are underway. We will need many children to make this "Live Nativity" a success. In the next few weeks you will receive more information regarding the program for this special Mass. Practice for this occasion will be held on Thursday, December 22. If you have any suggestions, comments, or ideas, please call Laura at 773-254-0010.

ST. JEROME SPIRIT WEAR IS HERE Orders are now being accepted for St. Jerome Hoodie Sweatshirts and Flannel Pajama Pants. Order forms are available in the back of the church or in the school office. Orders must be received in the school office by Sunday, Dec. 4. Don't miss the chance to show your Pride in St. Jerome. Please contact Pauline Dengler at 773-268-3859 with any questions.

Congratulations, Honor Roll Student

The following graduate of St. Jerome School has achieved excellence in the first quarter period:

St. Laurence H.S.: **Antonio Rodriguez**

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