

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday – Ponedjeljak, October 10, 2005**

7:30 A.M. Angelo Madia mother Catherine
Catherine Bills Eleanore Drozd
Louis Grubisic-Cabo M/M John Botica
Chuckie Cortese wife

Tuesday – Utorak, October 11, 2005

7:30 A.M. Rafael Rogić Helen Rak i ob.
Ken Swift family
Ray and Millie Love Anne Novak

Wednesday – Srijeda, October 12, 2005

7:30 A.M. Christ Balich Millie Balich
Lorraine P. Cortez family
Fr. Ante Grbeš Mary Fratto
Mary Fenlon Joe & El Grzetich
8:30 A. M. For Parishioners

Thursday – Četvrtak, October 13, 2005

7:30 A.M. Claire Norel family
Marino family family
Joseph Bozich Mickey Rodich

Friday – Petak, October 14, 2005

7:30 A.M. Kay Gusich Caroline Markovich
Josephine Grubisic-Cabo M/M John Botica
Vicko & Jelica Nizetić family

**Saturday – Subota, October 15, 2005
Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus**

7:30 A.M. Biserka Marusić ob. Marusić
Rafael Rogić ob. Ivezić
Frank M. Marasso Simon Condić
5:30 P.M. Luka Botica M/M Silvio Martinčić
John Mladinov family family
John & Rose Plepel Dorothy Plepel
Mike Iozzo Iozzo family
Nick LoCoco wife

Sunday – Nedjelja, October 16, 2005

7:30 A.M. Linda Humbert husband
Bertha Bartuca Catherine & Nick Perisin
Dec. of Dengler family Gene & Emily Dengler

9:30 A.M. Sam Storino Jenny
Edward 'Bud' Lines Therese & George Hammar
William Maresso Kathy LaCoco
Mark Bozich Ed Birmingham

11:00 A.M. u spomen

Rafael Rogić Paul Petrie
Ivan Babić Valerija Babić
Ante Kosir ob. Stoja i Božo Kosir
Stipe Pervan obitelj
Vinko Lisnić Danica Maroš
Franjo Palavra sin Vlado i ob.
Pok. iz ob. Rosandić ob. Čuvalo
Katarina i Ivan Josipović ob. Dervić
Fr. Hrvoslav Ban ob. Mijo i Zdenka Barun
Daniel Pintar obitelj i prijatelji
Luca Lisnić, Tomislav Hostička, Steven Brajković
Marija Hostička
Pok. roditelji, braća i sestre Blagica
Na čast Gospi Nikola Čosić
Na čast Bl. Djevice Marije Zorka Zeba
Sv. Ante na odluke Nikola Planinić

Lectors

Saturday, Oct. 15, 5:30 P.M. Michael Passarelli
Sunday, Oct. 16, 7:30 A.M. Matt Pesce
Sunday, Oct. 16, 9:30 A.M. Domingo Rodriguez
Sunday, Oct. 16, 11:00 A.M. Daniela Šumera,
Zrinka Jureta

**ALTAR
SERVERS**

Saturday, October 15, 5:30 P.M. Gonzalez,
Insalaco, Perseghin
Sunday, October 16, 7:30 A.M. LoCoco,
Miloslavich
Sunday, October 16, 9:30 A.M. Mitchell, A.
Sarkauskas, R. Sarkauskas
Sunday, October 16, 11:00 A.M. Ozana Paraga,
Ivana Babić, Domagoj Jureta, Denis Bajić

FOR RENT

- ▶ Apt. 31st & Wells, 6 rms, 3 bdrms, Central air & heat, Hrdwd flrs, appliances included. 312 326 3805
- ▶ Large apt. vicinity 29th Shields, 6 rms, very good condition, heat included, \$700. 773 523 1069
- ▶ Apt. 28th & Wells, 3 bdrms, appliances, tenant pays utilities. 708 732 0316

WEEKLY MEDITATION 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel story might seem a bit far-fetched. Who would be so crazy as to turn down an invitation to a royal wedding? Yet people can be very foolish. There is a streak in us that not only refuses the good, but can't even recognize it. God is continually calling us, as individuals and a community, to a deeper and more authentic life, but often this precious invitation is like the seed that fell among the thorns. The

excuses that kept the invited guests from attending the wedding feast were not all that bad. In fact, in most cases they were perfectly good ones, but this is precisely what makes them so dangerous. We don't see them as posing a threat. The greatest danger facing us is not that we might abandon God and turn to evil, but rather that we might just ignore his invitation. To ignore God's invitation altogether is the worst form of

refusal. It implies indifference.

We are invited to the banquet of the new People of God, namely, the Christian community. We don't have to earn our place at this banquet. The banquet stands for the fullness of life to which God is calling us. He is calling us to a deeper and more authentic relationship with him and with others here on earth and, after death, to eternal life.

We are invited. Will we accept ?

WORLD FOOD DAY

Next Sunday: October 16, 2005

Churches across the country celebrate World Food Day as an opportunity to renew their commitment to end hunger in God's world. This year, major church bodies, organizations, and congregations are participating in a global effort to overcome poverty and disease around the world. Let us reflect on God's gifts of food and well-being, pray for those in need, and *renew our commitment to share our abundance with others!*

HUNGER BASICS

- In the U.S., 36.3 million people, including 13 million children, live in households that experience hunger.
- Every day worldwide, more than 16,000 children die from hunger-related causes, **one child every 5 seconds.**

Please Bring Non-Perishable Food

The **NEW St. Jerome's Youth Service Corps** is taking **Non-Perishable Food Donations** before all the Masses **DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER**. Donations will also be accepted at the Rectory any time throughout the week. These donations will be given to Food Pantries in the area throughout the holiday season.

This is the first project of our new youth corps, focused on young volunteers in their twenties but open to a wider age range. Their next meeting will be **after TODAY'S Saturday night Mass**, in the Second Floor Parish Hall.

NEW MEMBERS ARE NEEDED AND WELCOME!

WISDOM'S CORNER

EXCUSES, EXCUSES, EXCUSES!

Once there was a tailor who mended the clothes of everybody in town, yet he himself went about with his coat in tatters. To the embarrassment of everyone, he even appeared like that in church on Sundays.

One Sunday a friend said to him, "It's a disgrace that you, a respectable tailor, should go around in a tattered coat. Shame on you for coming here dressed like that." The tailor replied, "But what can I do? I have to work all week long to make a living. Where am I going to find the time to mend my own clothes?" "Look," said the friend. "Here's \$50. Think of me as one of your customers. I'm paying you to mend your own coat."

The tailor took the money; however, when he came to church on the following Sunday, the friend noticed that once again he was dressed in his old tattered coat. Extremely annoyed, the friend said to him, "There is no excuse for this! Didn't I pay you \$50 to mend your coat?"

"What can I do?" said the tailor apologetically. "When I went home last Sunday I examined my coat and realized that I'd be losing money on the job if I did it for \$50."

Some people will always find an excuse.

THE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"The measure of love is to love without measure."

A Texas-sized Thank You to Texas Hold'em Sponsors and Workers

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped to make our second Texas Hold'em tournament an outstanding success. Donations were made by:

Old Neighborhood Italian American Club (ONIAAC)
 Ricobene's
 Parkside Restaurant
 Maxwell Street Depot
 Fuddrucker's
 Freddie's
 Chris Johnston
 Superior Nuts
 Bridgeport Cellular
 Ken Zekich
 Tom Waters

This tournament is successful because of the help and support of the parents, teachers and friends of St. Jerome School. Thanks again to everyone, especially the leaders of our Texas Hold'em Committee: Brian Luce, Frank Meo, Pete Wilkie and John Perseghin.

Football Mania Winners

Here are week 4's winning numbers: \$500 #3552, \$200 #3271, \$41.67 #3337, #1144 and #2146, and \$25 #2356, #2851 and #4158.

Would you or a loved one like to study and live in Dubrovnik?

On Sunday, October 23, at 12:30 p.m. in our Second Floor Hall, you are invited to attend an informational meeting regarding the American College of Management and Technology in Dubrovnik, Croatia. Mr. Don Hudspeth, the President/Dean of the American College, will do a presentation with a question and answer session regarding the opportunities available to young Croatian-American adults to attend college in Dubrovnik. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting. For more information, please visit the ACMT web site at: www.acmt.hr

Many Precious Pets Blessed

At our first Blessing of the Animals on St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day, the Parking Lot was crowded! There were **53 dogs, 9 cats, 4 rabbits, 3 turtles, 3 birds and one hamster.** Goldfish were blessed *in absentia*, as were all pets who could not be brought for the direct blessing. A special blessing prayer was said for sick animals.

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May the Lord's face shine upon the White Sox

AMERICAN ENGLISH™
 (A Beatles Tribute Band)

NEXT SATURDAY:
 A Special Event
 to the Reduce Debt from
 the New Parking Lot

St. Jerome Parish presents a unique night of entertainment — AMERICAN ENGLISH, The Complete Beatles Experience — on Saturday, October 15, at 8 p.m. (doors will open at 6:30 p.m.) at the Old Neighborhood Italian American Club on 30th and Shields. Tickets are \$35.00 per person, which includes one complimentary drink and pizza. Tickets will not be available at the door. Please come early as this is general seating only.

Buy tickets before all sold out!

For tickets: Rectory 312 842 1871; Gerard 312 213 2843; Julie 312 218 3787; Jan 312 225 9751; Kata 773 955 3965 and Mary 312 225 3231.

THIS WEEKEND TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER ALL THE MASSES. If you haven't already purchased your tickets, this will be one of your last chances to join us for a night of music, memories and fun.

Please come and enjoy a spectacular evening of Beatles music and help our parish at the same time!

St. Jerome Property Fund	
Mortgage Debt from New Parking Lot:	\$400,000
Donated to Date:	\$133,995
September Donations:	\$ 2,000
Needed for monthly Mortgage Payment:	\$ 11,900
<i>Thank you to all who have contributed and to all who are considering a contribution!</i>	