

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday – Ponedjeljak, October 29, 2007**

7:30 a.m. Vica Sekso Tomo & Nevenka Mulc
Edward Kennedy Sandy & Peter Schurla
Donna Byers Juliana Perisin
Hank Pennington Chris & Matt Pesce
Health of Božica Šuker mother

Tuesday – Utorak, October 30, 2007

7:30 a.m. Mary Tiardovich John Tiardovich
Frank Ferro Catherine & Nick Perisin
Matija Bajama Anna Novak
Mary Radetic Stretch & El Grzetic
Na čast Svetoga Leopolda Mandića Luce Zeba

Wednesday – Srijeda, October 31, 2007

7:30 a.m. Frank Ricobene Perisin grandchildren
Sigismundo Rizzo Perisin grandchildren
Paul DiCaro Sr. Lana & Pat Cimaglia
Fra Ante Grbeš (9th anniv.) Diana Krolo

All Saints Vigil Mass:

7:00 p.m. Josip Strmečki (14th anniv.) Mary Fratto

**Thursday – Četvrtak, November 1, 2007
Feast of All Saints – Svi Sveti**

7:30 a.m. Kata Botica John & Gen Botica
Michael Sablich sister Theresa
Za sve mrtve Ivan i Iva Maroš
Na odluku Stipe i Jaka Pudar
9:00 a.m. All Parishioners, living and deceased
7:00 p.m. Kata Botica Josephine Hanson
Rafo Rogić Željka i ob.
Kathy Uremović roditelji
Holy souls in purgatory John Bogović
Na čast Gospi Verdan

**Friday – Petak, November 2, 2007
All Souls Day – Dušni Dan, spomen svih mrtvih**

7:30 a.m. Michaeleen Kudulis family
Mary Crosby Perisins
Marge & John Sobocan Chris & Matt Pesce
Maria Gazzi Gazzi family
Bob Hanson Josephine Hanson
Toma, Kata & Luka Botica Josephine Hanson
Regine Crespin Elizabeth Dmitriew
Holy souls in purgatory Diane Krolo

Saturday – Subota, November 3, 2007

7:30 a.m. Mary Tiardovich John Tiardovich
Eva Butera Mary Somen
John (Jack) Townsend Jr. Catherine & Nick Perisin
For Blessed Virgin's intentions Diane Krolo

5:30 p.m. Robert Gronkowski Cathy Amato
Eva Butera Duško & Jadranka Kraljević
Connie Fratto Peter & Sandy Schurla
Frank Szatkowski mother Angeline Szatkowski
Clara Mihojevich Giggie
Marie Balestri family
Dec. of Esborn & Sorrentino fam. Theresa Esborn

Sunday – Nedjelja, November 4, 2007

7:30 a.m. Evelyn Čondić Duško
Sr. M. Bernardine Čondić Milica Trutin
Jesse Cortez Carol & Will Plisic
Stanley Dombrowski Linda Rubio
9:30 a.m. Filip Majić Majić family
Dominik Velčić sestre
Ann Marie Ruffo Catherine & Nick Perisin
Jo Marie B. Scott Beverlee & Russell Pullano
Mary Mandl family
Gabriela Lamonica Mark Gusich
Deceased of Gabric Boosters Club

11:00 a.m. u spomen

Ivan Kosić Katica Kosić
Robert Jurlina ob. Jurlina
Lenny Bajić ujak Tomislav Lišnić i ob.
Marko Bajama Anna Novak
Dragica Kolar Susan Georgelos
Blago Lončar ob. Karlo i Dragica Karačić
Nikola i Margarita Radman ob. Radman-Livaja
Andrija Mrzljak Kate Nikšić
Mara Kovačević brat Ante s ob.
Mirko Kosić John i Marija Kosić i ob.
Božo Krešić ob. Čabo
Pok. iz ob. M. i T. Čondić sin
Pok. iz ob. Valentić ob. Žigniće
Na nakanu Anđa Novak

LECTORS

Sat., Nov. 3, 5:30 p.m. Mary Fratto
Sun., Nov. 4, 7:30 a.m. Luanne Munizzi
Sun., Nov. 4, 9:30 a.m. Giggie Cortese
Sun., Nov. 4, 11:00 a.m. Mario Ivančić, Tihana Jurković, Kristiana Jurković

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., Nov. 3, 5:30 p.m. L. Rubio, M. Rubio, Wilkie
Sun., Nov. 4, 7:30 a.m. Insalaco, Wroblewski
Sun., Nov. 4, 9:30 a.m. Mangan, Olague, Perseghin
Sun., Nov. 4, 11:00 a.m. I. Jurković, D. Jurković, K. Cikoch, D. Paraga, M. Kikaš, M. Golub

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WEEKLY MEDITATION for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Pharisee in today's Gospel was completely unaware of his own sinfulness.

The tax collector, however, laid bare his heart before God and made no attempt to hide anything.

We can learn from both of them.

Like the Pharisee in today's Gospel, we may be very conscious of the sins of others but blind to our own sins.



On the other hand, the tax collector shows us how to confess our sins. Even when we may not be conscious of any specific sins, each of us can still say in all truth, "I am a sinner."

A great problem of our time is a failure to truly and objectively know ourselves, to recognize evil when we cooperate with evil, and to put an end to that cooperation.

People in "support groups" often say that the turning point for them came

when they were first able to identify and recognize their weakness.

The Pharisee exalted himself.

The tax collector, on the other hand, humbled himself before God. He placed his hope in the mercy of God. We would do well to do the same. God prefers the humble and contrite heart (which knows and takes ownership of its failures) over the arrogant and remorseless heart. We all come before God as we are, sinners in need of God's help, whether we admit it or not.

WISDOM'S CORNER

Miraculous humility

There's a story about a man who was so good that the angels asked God to favor the saintly man with miracles. God wisely told the angels to ask the good man if he would wish to be favored with miracles.

So the angels visited the good man and offered him first the gift of miraculously curing others, then the gift of converting others, and lastly the gift of virtue. He refused them all. The angels insisted that he choose a gift or they would choose one for him. "Very well," he replied, "I ask that I may do a great deal of good without ever knowing it."

The angels were perplexed at his humble answer. They took counsel and decided upon the following plan: Every time the saint's shadow fell behind him, the shadow would have the power to cure disease, soothe pain, and comfort sorrow. As he walked, behind him his shadow made arid paths green, caused withered plants to bloom, brought fresh color to pale children, and brought joy to unhappy men and women. The saint simply went about his daily life diffusing virtue as the stars diffuse light and the flowers diffuse scent, without ever being aware of it. The people, respecting his humility, followed him silently, never speaking to him about his miracles. Soon they even forgot his name and simply referred to him as the "holy shadow."

It is comforting to think that sometimes we may be of help in ways that we don't even realize.

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

How to pray, not say, the Rosary:

Most Catholics know how to say the Rosary.

We announce a mystery, we say an "Our Father," we say ten Hail Marys, followed by one "Glory be to the Father," and if we're expert reciters of the Rosary, we add an "O My Jesus." Then we do four more mysteries, and conclude it all with a "Hail Holy Queen," plus three prayers for the Pope's intentions this month. Saying the Rosary is simple, good, and truly holy and commendable.

But it's even better and more pleasing to God to pray, not just say, the Rosary.

To pray the Rosary, we must meditate on the Rosary's mysteries. "Meditate"?! How do we do that?!

It's simple. Meditating on a mystery means pondering upon the mystery, thinking about the mystery. While we are saying our Hail Marys (at an unhurried pace), we're supposed to have our attention focused not on the words of the Hail Marys, but on pondering the mystery that was announced for that decade.

For example, if the mystery was the Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth, we can imagine the joy of elderly Elizabeth, who was pregnant with John the Baptist, at seeing young Mary, pregnant with Jesus, come to her door. We can imagine further how John leapt in her womb and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, suddenly realized that Mary was pregnant with the Messiah, the Lord! We might insert ourselves into Mary's shoes, feeling what Mary might have felt to have Elizabeth know without being told that Mary was the mother of the Lord. We might apply the mystery to our present-day situation: Jesus the unborn child was connecting to John the unborn child — obviously God wants us present-day Americans to know that even a fetus only days old (like Jesus was at the time) is a human being. We can resolve to redouble our efforts to defend human beings from conception to natural death. And so on. Each time we pray, our meditation will be different, and richly so. We will come to know these milestones in Jesus' life forwards and backwards in a real and concrete way. We will know Christ! And to know Him is to love Him and to serve Him, in order to be with Our Loved One for all eternity!



Enjoy an Italian-style “Lion’s Roar” Banquet!

The Big Annual Banquet for our school is **Saturday evening, Nov. 10**. St. Jerome Parish School’s annual fundraising dinner and auction will have a distinctly Italian flavor this year. Enjoy cocktails, dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle and dancing.

It’s also time to nominate someone who you think has done an outstanding job supporting our school. **The “Poštovani” / Heart of the School Award** (Croatian for “Esteemed Ones”) is given at the banquet. Nomination forms are available at the school office.

‘The Little Flower’ to Bloom at St. Jerome’s

One of the most well-known and best loved saints is St. Therese of the Child Jesus, often called the “Little Flower”. Her brief but simple and holy life is still recalled, and many still rely on her prayers of intercession.

A rare opportunity to hear a special guest speak about this amazing saint will be available for all parishioners, friends and guests of St. Jerome’s.

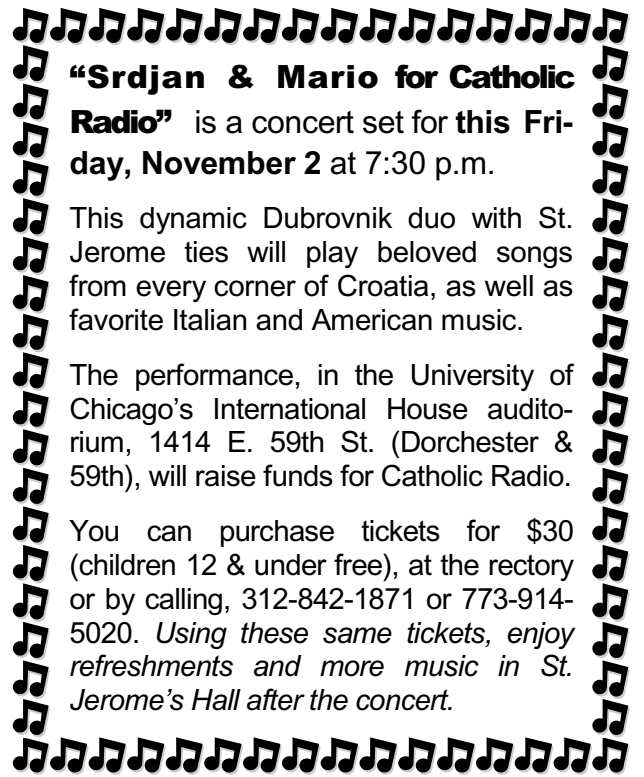
Tony Hickey, a retreat director from the Medjugorje Center in Manchester, England, who has been blessed with the tremendous gift to lead prayer and teach about Sacred Scripture and Catholic tradition, will be our special guest speaker on **Monday, Nov. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Small Hall** behind our church. He will present a talk about the life of St. Therese entitled **“The Little Way.”** The talk is free, but free-will offerings may be made.

We are fortunate have this event be a part of our **“95th Anniversary of St. Jerome’s Lecture Series.”** Everyone is invited to join us and to share in the blessings that this hard-working saint still showers upon us. We hope to see you!



Calling all would-be Altar Servers:

New altar servers will be formally received into the ministry on Nov. 25. If your child is interested in becoming an altar server and has received First Communion, please contact the rectory about training sessions.



“Srdjan & Mario for Catholic Radio” is a concert set for this **Friday, November 2** at 7:30 p.m.

This dynamic Dubrovnik duo with St. Jerome ties will play beloved songs from every corner of Croatia, as well as favorite Italian and American music.

The performance, in the University of Chicago’s International House auditorium, 1414 E. 59th St. (Dorchester & 59th), will raise funds for Catholic Radio.

You can purchase tickets for \$30 (children 12 & under free), at the rectory or by calling, 312-842-1871 or 773-914-5020. *Using these same tickets, enjoy refreshments and more music in St. Jerome’s Hall after the concert.*

All Saints Day is this Thursday, a holy day of obligation

Masses for All Saints Day, November 1, will be 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m. and 7 p.m., as well as a 7 p.m. vigil Mass on Oct. 31.

During the Day of All Saints, Fr. Joe and Fr. Ivan will visit, bless and pray at parishioner graves at local cemeteries: at St. Mary Cemetery at 10 a.m., at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery at 10 a.m. and at Resurrection Cemetery at noon.

St. Jerome Youth Service Corps’

Thanksgiving Food Drive under way

Starting this weekend, bring your non-perishable food and place it in the box at the entrance of our church. Make this a more thankful Thanksgiving for someone nearby in need.

If you see just one movie in a theater this year, see “Bella”

It has been called “powerful and moving” and “a true inspiration.” It won the People’s Choice Award at the major Toronto Film Festival. It’s now in theaters here in Chicago. This Hollywood rarity — an authentically Catholic romantic drama — is now showing in 10 Chicagoland theaters, including the Loews theaters at 600 N. Michigan, and Pickwick Theater, 5 S. Prospect Ave. in Park Ridge. *Take your friends!*