

**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday – Ponedjeljak, September 17, 2007**

**7:30 a.m.** Jospeh Bozich wife & children  
 Rosemary Kozlar Catherine & Nick Perisin  
 Donna Byers Lorraine McGee  
 Andrew Parachinni family

**Tuesday – Utorak, September 18, 2007**

**7:30 a.m.** Andrija Mrzljak Ann Brcich  
 Frank R. Szatkowski Marge & Bruno Bertucci  
 Za zdravlje Krune Babic Nediljko Babić

**Wednesday – Srijeda, September 19, 2007**

**7:30 a.m.** Frank Fratto family  
 Eugene Truth Joseph Rozman  
 Pok. iz ob. Jurilj Ante i Anica Lončar  
 Healthof Catherine Perisin Antoinette Alfirevich

**Thursday – Četvrtak, September 20, 2007**

**7:30 a.m.** Tona Knetl John & Gen Botica  
 Anthony Battaglia family  
 Angelo & Mary Pesce Chris & Matt Pesce  
 Millie Bogetich family

**Friday – Petak, September 21, 2007  
St. Matthew, apostle, evangelist**

**7:30 a.m.** Paul Marasovich family  
 Sr. M. Bernardine Condic Linda Strbich  
 Anđelka Sipic ob. Jozo Badrov  
 Patrick Brice Catherine & Nick Perisin

**Saturday – Subota, September 22, 2007**

**7:30 a.m.** Jim & Libra Balestri Ann Contino  
 Leo & Jay Cosentino Ann Contino  
 Paul DiCaro, Sr. Gene & Ann Marie Gazzi

**5:30 p.m.** Connie Fratto Dusko Condic  
 Eva Butera Cathy Amato  
 Carol Bozinovich Joe & Lucy Ciaccio  
 Ann Sexauer Ann Contino  
 Frank R. Szatkowski Rosemary Renda  
 Gus Latsis Catherine & Nick Perisin  
 Ralph&Sophie Bonello Baldo, Georgann, Jennifer, Erica

**Sunday – Nedjelja, September 23, 2007**

**7:30 a.m.** Evelyn Čondić Duško  
 Mildred Zaffino sister Emily Dengler  
 Frank Marasso family  
 Donna Byers Ann Sutera  
 Caterina Prudden Debbie Kodzoman

**9:30 a.m.** Ann Sexauer Katie Ferro  
 Carmen, Carmella & Tommy LaPapa daughter  
 Sam & Ann DeGregorio Senerchia family  
 Rosemary Kozlar Ellen Holderbaum  
 Theresa Anne Link family  
 M/M John Insalaco John, Mary Beth Insalaco  
 John Foley Kay Foley  
 Matt, Theresa, Hailey Link family

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

Frano Rogić Jadre Rogić i ob.  
 Simun Dugandžić Luca Šego i ob.  
 Josip Lišnić Luka Bajić  
 Damir Sinković ob. Rodich  
 Augustin i Marija Mišetić Marija Banić i ob.  
 Marija Mišetić Ante Špić  
 Vlatko Čuvalo ob. Zivko Knezović  
 Ana i Grgo Bilonić ob. Jakov Bilonić  
 Blaz Bilonić ob. Jakov Bilonić  
 Josip Rakarić ob. Ilija Zelić  
 Slavica Blažević ob.  
 Pok. iz ob. M & T Čondić sin  
 Na čast Gospe Sinjske Ivan i Iva Maroš

**LECTORS**

**Sat., Sept. 22, 5:30 p.m.** Mary Fratto  
**Sun., Sept. 23, 7:30 a.m.** Mary Vujic  
**Sun., Sept. 23, 9:30 a.m.** Domingo Rodriguez  
**Sun., Sept. 23, 11:00 a.m.** Tihana Jurković,  
 Kristiana Jurković, Mario Ivančić

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sat., Sept. 22, 5:30 p.m.** Ferro, Racinowski, M. Rubio  
**Sun., Sept. 23, 7:30 a.m.** C. Garcia, S. Garcia  
**Sun., Sept. 23, 9:30 a.m.** Insalaco, Perseghin, Wilkie  
**Sun., Sept. 23, 11:00 a.m.** O. Paraga, S. Adjaip,  
 I. Babic, A. Barun, M. Brajkovic, E. Ljevar

**For Rent:** 4-rooms apt., 2 bedrooms, new carpeting.  
 Call 773 254 2836 (Btw 5-8 PM)  
 ► Apt 36th Normal, 3 bdrm, \$850. 312-671-2160.

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

## WEEKLY MEDITATION for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The theme of today's Gospel is God's mercy towards sinners. The fact that Jesus welcomed sinners and ate with them was a cause of scandal to the Pharisees. They assumed that God has no dealing with sinners. Jesus shows them a very different kind of God. All three of the parables stress God's concern for the lost one, and his joy

when a lost one is found.

Jesus spent much time in the company of sinners. He didn't wait for them to repent before befriending them. He befriended them in their sinfulness, in their "lostness".

Jesus's defense was quite straightforward. He said he went where the need was greatest. The shepherd doesn't wait for the sheep to come back; he goes looking for it. Sinners have more need of the Lord than the

virtuous, because sinners are the ones who are lost.

In associating with sinners, Jesus wasn't condoning their situation. Rather, he was trying to show them a better way. He provided the kind of presence in which people felt accepted and loved. In that atmosphere they were able to respond and change.

This is how God looks at each of us. He delights in forgiving us and only asks that we desire to receive his mercy.

## WISDOM'S CORNER

### The Value of the Individual

Once a group of concerned people got together to make plans to build a reformatory for boys. They invited a well-known educator to advise them on how to run it. He made a passionate plea for humane methods of education at the reformatory. He urged the founders to spare no expense in getting the services of kind-hearted and competent teachers. His advice concluded with a particularly strong statement expressing his convictions about the boys who would be sent to this place. He told the group, "If the reformatory were to save even one boy from moral depravity, it will have justified all the cost and labor invested in it."



Afterwards a member of the board approached him and said, "Didn't you get a little carried away? Do you really

believe that all the cost and labor would be justified if we could save only one boy?"

"Yes, because what if it were your boy?" came the reply.

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

**"For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry. For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people. For an attractive face, speak words of kindness. For poise, walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone."**



## REFLECTION

There are people who have a steady flame shining from deep inside them. This flame is not extinguished when others criticize or ignore them, for it is not dependent upon what others think of them; it is what they think of themselves with a quiet certainty.

Each of us can behave in either of two ways: we can behave like a sinner or a saint. We help people more by giving them a favorable image of themselves than by constantly harping on their faults. The saints hold up a mirror before us. In this mirror we get a most favorable image of ourselves. We see what we are capable of. All we need is the will to walk in the light of the Lord.

## BAPTISMS

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



## Baptism

**Joseph Catezone**, son of

George Catezone and Bonnie n.

Wielkiewicz. God-

parents are Salvatore Napoli and Stephanie Catezone. Congratulations.

**Isabella Judith Pervan**, daughter of Ante Pervan and Tamara n. Rudny. Godparents are Nikola Pervan and Nichole Rudny.

Congratulations. May the Lord keep them and bless them for years to come.

## TODAY....

1. **We welcome** to our parish Fr. Allan, a missionary priest. He will preach at this weekend's masses. This week's second collection goes to help missionaries.
2. **Handmade religious artifacts from the Holy Land** will be available for sale after all masses this weekend. The proceeds benefit the Holy Land.

*"The Christians of the Holy Land are the descendants and inheritors of the early Christians. Their presence around the Holy Sites ensures these places remain living communities of faith rather than bare, stony ruins. They look especially to Catholics in the U.S. to support them in their time of trial. Let them not be disappointed. Our visits help them not to flee the Holy Land and support their continued presence in the place of birth of Christianity."*

### 3. OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND AN AMERICAN COLLEGE IN DUBROVNIK, CROATIA

Today, on Sunday, Mr. Don Hudspeth, President and Dean of the American College of Management and Technology in Dubrovnik, will visit our community. Immediately following the 11:00 am Mass (Small hall 2nd floor), you are invited to attend a presentation on ACMT.

**Special Collection** next weekend will be taken for the support of **seminaries**. Your generosity and goodwill are most necessary and sincerely appreciated.

**CCD Classes** begin this weekend on Sunday, September 16 at 9:30 sharp.

*Thanks* **Special thanks** to our flower/bakesale/ donors for our feast of Velika Gospa. Please see the insert in today's bulletin for all the names. Thank you very much.



## UPCOMING EVENTS...

### CELEBRATION of ANNIVERSARIES

Once again we designate a Sunday in honor of married couples observing special anniversaries. On Sunday, September 23rd, at the 9:30 a.m. mass these couples will renew their wedding vows. This special event reminds us of the value of the family. If you are celebrating your 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, etc., anniversary, please call the rectory to let us know that you will attend this mass. We await your response.

### ONIAK 13TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

The Old Neighborhood Italian Club and Women's Alliance will be honoring their 215 deceased members with their Annual Memorial Mass on Saturday, September 29, 2007 at Santa Lucia Church, 3022 S. Wells St. at 5:00 P.M. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

**50th Reunion of St. Jerome Class of 1957** is being planned for October 7th. The committee is trying to locate Harry Bonomo, Carol Comiso, Frank Constantino, Genevieve Haske, Dorothy Mihojevic, Roberta Novak, Blase Pape, Minnie Parisio, Patiricia Stoforos, Mary Yukich, Carol Zandy. Please call Lorenzo Venditti at 312 949 9629 if you have any information about these classmates or if you wish to know more about the reunion.

### Croatian Cooking Classes

**HOME COOKING** Fall classes will start in October. Classes will be limited to give individualized attention. Be the envy of your friends by making perfect strudel. Class sessions approx. three hours long. Afternoon or evening sessions available. You will learn to mix and stretch the dough, prepare a filling, and bake a strudel to take home. Please pick the flyer at the back of the church for more information.

**Croatian Woman** branch #1 Chicago is holding their annual fashion show and luncheon on Sunday, October 21st at Ashton Place in Willowbrook, Illinois at 1:00 p.m. Fashions provided by "Lord & Taylor", Oakbrook. For tickets please contact Mara Romanovic at 773-350-5132.