

**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday - Ponedjeljak, August 23, 2004**

**7:30 A.M.** Louis Madia                      Catherine Madia  
James Sutera                                  Kraslen brothers  
Phyllis Bertucci                              Cathie & Pete Wilkie

**Tuesday - Utorak, August 24, 2004**

**7:30 A.M.** Ruža Leve                              Anna Braškić  
James Sutera                                  Kraslen brothers  
Stipe Brajković                              M/M Petar Varvodić  
Phyllis Bertucci                              Maryann & Michael DiVito

**Wednesday-Srijeda, August 25, 2004**

**7:30 A.M.** Michael Pavletić                      Milica Trutin  
Na nakanu                                      Ankica Golub  
Mary & William Catizone                  children/gr.children

**Thursday – Četvrtak, August 26, 2004**

**7:30 A.M.** Jozo Becich                              daughters  
Ante Balich                                      ob. Ruža Bronzović  
Phyllis Bertucci                              Julie Perisin-DiCaro

**Friday – Petak, August 27, 2004**

**7:30 A.M.** Margaret Marcello                      family  
Katica Hobar                                      Mladen i Iva Marijan  
James Sutera                                      Frank & Luanne Munizzi

**Saturday- Subota, August 28, 2004**

**7:30 A.M.** Kata Troščan                              Katica Kosić  
Ante Balich                                      Dominick Sperando  
Anne Fatovich Semetis                      Carol/James Bradac

**5:30 P.M.** Mike Iozzo                              Iozzo family  
Leroy Crisanti                                      Anna Kenny  
Frank Bertucci                                      Rose & Bob Bazan  
August/Helen Dengler                      Gene/Emily Dengler  
Phyllis Bertucci                              Rosemary/Michael Zeledon  
Eugene, Angeline,                              Jeanne Zekich  
& John Balzano

**Sunday – Nedjelja, August 29, 2004**

**7:30 A.M.** Linda Humbert                      husband Robert  
Rose Dinero                                      Nevenka Badrov  
Robyn Caputo                                      M/M Anthony Zivalich

**9:30 A.M.** Ralph Passi                              wife  
Jakica Becich                                      daughters  
Kelly Nelson                                      Nana Foley  
Ray Biamonte                                      Gail & Bruno Bertucci

**11:00 A.M u spomen**  
Katica Hobar                                      ob. Žigniće  
Franjo i Ivan Vranjković                      ob. Bešlić  
Nediljka Lišnić                                      Valerija Babić  
Slavica Blažević                                      Mato i ob.  
Anđa Kosir    Ivo Kosir i ob.  
Mile Kodžoman                                      Krešo Mišetić i ob.  
Danica Žuljević                                      Duško Bilonić i ob.

**Lectors**

**Saturday, Aug. 28, 5:30 P.M.** Rosemary Brcich  
**Sunday, Aug. 29, 7:30 A.M.** Matt Pesce  
**Sunday, Aug. 29, 9:30 A.M.** Carl Segvich  
**Nedjelja, 29. kolovoza 11:00 A.M.** Marija Tokić  
i Marina Barun.

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday, August 28, 5:30 P.M.** Ferro, B. and  
V. Kenny  
**Sunday, August 29, 9:30 A.M.** Guzman,  
Lopez and Rodriguez.  
**Nedjelja, 29. kolovoza 11:00 A.M.** M. Jurković,  
J. Kosir, M. Hostička i A. Kosić.

**WEDDING BANNS:**

Michael Mišetić – Linda Bursić (3)  
Tomislav Žigniće – Margareta Orzymkowska (1)  
Jill Serio – Steven Butts (1)

**For Rent**

Bridgeport: 2nd flr - 6 rms, 3bdrms; all new w/w  
carpeting, ceramic tile, AC, elec. range, refrig,  
thermo windows, blinds, ceiling fans, private  
entrances, ample parking, washer/dryer in bldg.  
Tenant pays utilities/heat. No pets. Call 773-  
586-5521.

## WEEKLY MEDITATION

*Strive to enter through the narrow door.* (Luke 12:24) How often do you hear that phrase and feel something in you rising to the challenge, or how often do you feel convinced that you will never measure up? How often does the narrow gate seem just too narrow, giving you the sense that unless your life is what it should be the doors will close on you? Neither of these responses is exactly what Jesus had in mind. The "striving" He wants from us is the effort to remain rooted in faith and trust, not in doubt or despair. Jesus' arms are always open wide. He is always beckoning us to come to Him and receive His grace. He knows that we will never be at peace as long as we believe salvation is something we have to earn. We will either be busy working too hard, or we will be preoccupied by our weaknesses, wondering what we have to do just to squeak by. At Mass Jesus invites us to come to the feast not because our lives are perfect, but because we have freely embraced His gift of mercy. All He asks is that we hold on to our confidence that He will never abandon us. God loves us immeasurably. This can be so hard to believe when our natural reaction is to prove our worth. Yet, Jesus stands by us saying, "It's not your hard work, but your heart that I desire." Lay your heart before Him and the narrow door will open wide for you.

### THANK YOU AND FAREWELL, FR. TOMISLAV

Dear Parishioners,

Today we say farewell to Fr. Tomislav. In the name of all, I thank him for his work in our parish these past 3 years, for all he has done, and for his participation in our various projects.

# Best Wishes

We Franciscans, in our particular way of life, travel from place to place, serving God's people. We are called to use the gifts God has given us and unselfishly share them with others. In the end, the only questions that remain are how many people have we helped to live better lives, how many souls have we touched, how many problems have we helped to solve, how worthy have we been, and how many have we helped on their way to Christ. With all of that comes the realization of our spirituality and the energy of our vision. I believe that Fr. Tomislav has done his best. I am sincerely sorry that he has decided to return to Croatia, but I hope that he will continue to share with the people he will meet in his next ministry the joviality that he always displayed among us. On behalf of all of us I wish him good luck and much success wherever he will be. May God give him strength in the days and paths that lie ahead of him!

Please join us in the school hall today after the 11 a.m. mass to say farewell to Fr. Tom and share refreshments.

*Fr. Joe*

**Have you registered as parishioners? Have you moved recently? Do we have your new address and phone number? Do you have parish envelopes?**

### St. Jerome Property Fund



Mortgage Debt:	\$ 400,000
Donated to Date:	\$ 36,450

Thanks to all who have donated and to all who are considering making a donation!

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### 53rd ANNUAL DINNER AND FASHION SHOW

**REMEMBER!**  
the date for...

St. Jerome Parish proudly presents our 53rd Annual Dinner and Fashion Show on Wednesday, Sept. 29th at the Radisson Hotel in Alsip. Tickets are \$35. They include dinner (cash bar) and a fantastic show. Complimentary bus transportation is available but limited. For tickets contact Pauline Dengler 773-268-3859, Denise Bertucci 312-842-8551, Jan Ferro 312-225-9751, or Vera Bozich 312-326.1837. Don't miss a chance to be part of a fun and memorable evening!

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**CAREGIVER** I will care for your loved one in his or her own home Monday through Friday. Call Carol Caputo 773-254-8344.

**VELIKA GOSPA —  
THANK YOU**

Dear Parishioners and Friends!

Thank you to everyone for all that you did to make the major event of our parish enjoyable and successful. Thanks to those who worked and helped during the days before the feast and on the day of the feast, came to the novena, attended mass, and untiringly gave of their time so that this year's *Velika Gospa* long remains in the memory of many.



Each year I am again inspired by the work and sacrifice of so many of you who are the heart of our parish community. We are most grateful to Our Lord for the wonderful gift of such glorious weather and the thousands of people who consider St. Jerome's their spiritual home.

To all who have in any way given to our parish community, we extend our heartfelt gratitude. The financial report will be published as soon as all the bills are paid.

Thank you to all who bought or sold our raffle tickets. The winners of this year's raffle are as follows:

- 1st Prize: Anita Martincic Snow                   \$3000.00
- 2nd Prize: Ruth Storino                           \$1000.00
- 3rd Prize: Lila Bozic                               \$1000.00
- 4th Prize: Jake Miles                              \$ 500.00
- 5th Prize: Eleonore Drozd                       \$500.00

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**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES** Each year our parish celebrates wedding anniversaries with a special mass, which will be held this year on September 19 at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Please let us know which anniversary you are celebrating. These days it is especially important to acknowledge your marriage vows, your promise to each other and God. Therefore, please take this event seriously and contact us at the parish office. Thank you!

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**THE PARISH CENSUS** was mailed a few weeks ago. We have begun to receive the completed forms. If you have not yet returned yours, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you to all who have taken the time to respond. Your efforts will make it possible to better plan for our parish's future. If you have not received the census forms, please let us know immediately. It is important that all parishioners cooperate in this undertaking. Your attention to this project is needed and sincerely appreciated.

**WISDOM'S CORNER**

For the Sake of the Truth...

Rabbi Pinchas preached to his students: "Nothing was more difficult for me to overcome than a lie. It lasted for 14 years, and I broke all my bones before I finally **destroyed** it." He then added, continuing his lecture: "For 21 years I fought for the truth — 7 years to discover what is true, 7 years to root out the lie, and 7 more years to accept the truth. - M. Buber

How important to us is the truth? Are we prepared to stand up and defend it? What is worse—the truth that is never spoken or the lie that is never revealed?

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**ALL SAINTS-ST. ANTHONY YARD SALE**

will be held on Saturday, September 11 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, September 12 from noon to 4 p.m., with many items both new and in great condition. There will be a cake walk, small raffles, food and refreshments. Parking is available in the Sheridan School yard.

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**THANKSGIVING**

Lord, I have everything.

I have the sun in the sky and  
a roof over my head,  
work for my hands,  
food on my table,  
and my loved ones.

I have eyes to see others,  
ears to hear them,  
feet to walk with them,  
hands to hold out to them,  
and a heart to love them.

Thank you!

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**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

**"No one is too good to stay out of church or too bad to come in! ."**

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