

**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday – Ponedjeljak, February 6, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Vinko Vujina  
Ljubo Čuvalo  
Mirko Šušnjara

Millie Balich  
Mary Vujić  
ob. Dujo Šušnjara

**Tuesday – Utorak, February 7, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Mr. Senk  
Pok. ob. Grbeš  
Na čast Sv. Ivi

Ann Contino  
Danica Maroš  
Zorka Zeba

**Wednesday – Srijeda, February 8, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Claire Narel  
Deceased of Sobočan family  
Na čast Sv. Ivi

family  
Chris & Matt Pesce  
Zorka Zeba

**Thursday – Četvrtak, February 9, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Bruno & Josephine Roti  
Lorraine Lanski  
Frank Vulich  
Na čast Sv. Ivi

Marion  
Catherine & Nick Perisin  
Catherine & Nick Perisin  
Zorka Zeba

**8:05 A. M.** For Parishioners

**Friday – Petak, February 10, 2006**

**Blessed Cardinal Alojzije Stepinac, Bishop and Martyr**

**7:30 A.M.** Frank Vulich  
Na čast Sv. Anti

Louis & Mary Scalise  
Zorka Zeba

**Saturday – Subota, February 11, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Evelyn Condich  
Viktor Bubić  
Angie Crispo

Albina Marasovich  
ob. Penavić  
Debby Kodzoman

**5:30 P.M.** John Mladinov family  
Ralph Bonello  
Kate Plepel

family  
Millie Balich  
Dorothy Plepel

**Sunday – Nedjelja, February 12, 2006**

**7:30 A.M.** Mary Troff  
Evelyn Condich  
Marge & John Sobočan  
Deceased members of the Kraslen family

Mary Vujić  
Mike & Ann Brcich  
Chris & Matt Pesce  
Kraslen brothers

**9:30 A.M.** Brandie Lebron  
Frankie Vulich  
Edward Vucinic  
Carmen & Tommy La Papa

Mark Gusich  
Junior (Louie) Zaninovich  
Rosemarie Sestito  
daughter

**11:00 A.M. u spomen**

Vinko Lišnić  
Luka Galić  
Mary Alfirevich Fenlon  
Robert Jurlina  
Ilija Zeba  
Max Milanez  
Marija Galić  
Marija Antolović  
Stana Erceg  
Marica Horvat

Bože Guvo  
ob. Bešlić  
family and friends  
ob. Jurlina  
ob. Marko Zeba  
Katica Kosić i ob.  
ob. Vesna Jureta  
ob. Ćosić  
Hrvatska Žena  
ob. Jerko Šumera

**Lectors**

**Saturday, February 11, 5:30 P.M.** Robert Bazan  
**Sunday, February 12, 7:30 A.M.** Matt Pesce  
**Sunday, February 12, 9:30 A.M.** Carl Segvich  
**Sunday, February 12, 11:00 A.M.** Anđela Bajić,  
Karmela Kristić

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday, February 11, 5:30 P.M.** Gonzalez,  
Raddatz, Rubio  
**Sunday, February 12, 7:30 A.M.** A. Sarkauskas,  
R. Sarkauskas  
**Sunday, February 12, 9:30 A.M.** Miloslavich, M.  
Olague, S. Olague  
**Sunday, February 12, 11:00 A.M.** M. Carlson, O.  
Paraga, D. Jurković, A. Kraljević, K. Cikoč

**FOR SALE**

► 2818 S. Wells, house for sale, 773 704 7302

**FOR RENT**

► 35th & Lowe, 1 bdrm garden apt, great condition, central air & appl. & heat all included, non-smokers, \$600/mo plus security dep. Call John, 312 780 6739  
► 29th Shields, large 7 rms, great condition, appl. included, \$675/mo. w/heat 773 523 1069

## WEEKLY MEDITATION—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Suffering is a big problem. There are a lot of people today who could identify with Job from the Old Testament. What was Jesus' answer to the problem of suffering? He did not accept the view that suffering was a punishment from God. God does good. What we see in the Gospel is not so much an answer to the question of "Why suffering?" It is Jesus' *response to* suffering. The problem of suffering became an oppor-

tunity for Jesus to show what God is like. He revealed the compassion of God in the face of human suffering.

The suffering of others is an opportunity for us too. We may not be able to cure, but it is always within our power to care, and to care is a very healing thing. Just to be with the sufferer is very worthwhile. Yet it's no easy thing because it means that instead of relieving someone's pain, we

have to be prepared to share it.

Suffering is an unavoidable element of the Human Condition. The road of suffering can be a narrow and dark one. It is a great comfort to us to know that Jesus went down this road and went down it to the end. It has not been the same since He traveled it. A bright light illuminates it. He shows us that though it leads to the cross, it ends in Easter victory.

## OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Today we welcome into our faith community two children:

**NADA HELENA JUMIC**, daughter of Josip and Helen (nee Grdic) Junic. Her Godparents are Diana Kurkijian and Suzana Bajzec.

**ANTONIO FILIPE GUTIERREZ**, son of Gilberto and Lidija (nee Tomic) Gutierrez. His Godparents are Ivica and Ruzica Golub.

*Congratulations to the families,  
and God bless Nada and Antonio!*

## LIFE IS...

**a challenge — meet it  
a gift — accept it  
an adventure — dare it  
a sorrow — overcome it  
a tragedy — face it  
a duty — perform it  
a game — play it  
a mystery — unfold it  
a song — sing it  
an opportunity — take it  
a journey — complete it  
a promise — fulfill it  
a beauty — praise it  
a struggle — fight it  
a goal — achieve it  
a puzzle — solve it**

## WISDOM'S CORNER

### A Quiet Place

There was a man who was in the habit of going off by himself into the remote woods. One day a friend, curious to know what he was up to, followed him into the woods. When he caught up with him, he found him sitting quietly on a log.

"What are you doing?" he asked the man.

"I'm praying," came the reply.

"But why come to this remote spot to pray?"

"Because I feel close to God here."

"But isn't God to be found everywhere, and isn't God the same everywhere?"

"God is, but I am not."

*While it's true that we can find God and pray to him anywhere and everywhere, it is indeed a good idea to have a special place to which we can go. In our sacred space, we not only find God—we find ourselves.*

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## THE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Trust the past to God's mercy,  
the present to God's love,  
and the future to God's providence."

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK:** The Archdiocese of Chicago is closing and merging many parishes due to the shortage of new priests — a situation that affects all of us. Contribute through this week's second collection to supporting the Archdiocesan seminary system, where Chicago's priests of tomorrow are being formed.

**OPEN ENROLLMENT:** St. Jerome School will begin open enrollment for the 2006-07 school year on Monday, February 6. Our school offers a high school prep curriculum, and is operated by a dedicated staff that educates the whole child—physically, intellectually, emotionally and spiritually. For more information, call 312 842 7668.

### **“Blessed Cardinal Stepinac” Days:**

We celebrate the February 10 feast day of Blessed Alojzije Stepinac (the martyred Cardinal of Zagreb, Croatia) on this coming weekend. The festivities begin with a concert held at Healy School (3010 S. Parnell) on Saturday, Feb. 11. The concert features our Parish's Croatian folk performers, as well as special guests from Mississauga, Canada: the group “Sljeme”! On Sunday, Feb. 12, there will be Croatian Mass, followed by a short program and a luncheon. *Tickets can be bought from members of the Croatian School Council.*

**ST. JEROME SCHOOL BENEFIT:** Tickets now on sale for St. Jerome School's 3rd Annual LIONS ROAR BENEFIT. On February 18, St. Jerome School will host a Masquerade Ball from 6 p.m. to Midnight in the School Hall. The evening includes cocktails, live entertainment, a three-course sit-down dinner, dancing, silent auction, live auction, raffle and much more! (Masquerade Ball attire is *not required!*) This is also the evening in which we present a deserving individual with our “Heart of the School”/Postovani Award. Don't miss the Ball...ticket sales are limited! **Purchase your tickets today by contacting one of our tickets agents:** Angela Bajic at St. Jerome School 312 842 7668 or Kim Conditto 312 842 7144. For full details about the benefit, including prices, please visit the school website at [www.stjeromeschool.net](http://www.stjeromeschool.net) or call 312 842 7668.

**BAKALAR DINNER:** Our parish's **Club Poljica** will hold its annual Bakalar Dinner in the St. Jerome School Hall on **Saturday, March 4**. Tickets for this excellent dinner is \$50.00. Included with the Dalmatian fish specialty is great music and an open bar.

**Parish Council** meets Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. in the Small Hall.

**Croatian folk group coming:** Coming from the inspiring city of Dubrovnik, Croatia, the 50-member folk dance ensemble **LINDJO** will perform for the first time in Chicago on **February 18 at 6 p.m.** in the auditorium of St. Scholastic Academy, 7416 N. Ridge, Chicago. Tickets are \$30 in advance (from Mara Romanovic after the Croatian Mass, or call 773 624 0337), or \$35 at the door.

**VIDEOTAPES** of the documentary “**Stepinac: Priest, Cardinal, Hero, Saint...You Choose**” are available for **\$10**. A great gift for Feb. 10.

### **Congratulations, St. Jerome Alumni!**

The following graduates of our parish school have made their high school Honor Rolls.

At Mt. Carmel High School:  
Anthony Ciaravino Daniel Hrvojevic

At St. Laurence High School:  
Antonio Rodriguez

At Mother McAuley (B Honor Roll):  
Melissa Guzman Markie Racinowski

**The Chicago “Festival of Faith”:** Catholics of all ages—and those interested in the Catholic faith—come, learn more, and be a part of the “new evangelization”! To inspire and teach Catholics from across Chicagoland is the focus for the second-ever Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Festival of Faith taking place **February 16-18** at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center, 5500 N. River Rd. in Rosemont. There will be beautiful Masses, opportunities for prayer, concerts, and a dinner theater, keynote speakers, hundreds of workshops offered in several languages, and even **special sessions for teens**. Visit the festival's website at [www.catholicfest.org](http://www.catholicfest.org) or phone the Festival of Faith office at 312-751-8388.

### **St. Jerome Property Fund**

Mortgage Debt from New Parking Lot:	\$ 400,000
Donated to Date:	\$ 180,221
<b>February Donations Thus Far:</b>	\$ 0
Needed for monthly mortgage payment:	\$ 11,900

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