

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday – Ponedjeljak, January 30, 2006**

7:30 A.M. Rudy Yukich Catherine & Nick Perisin
Virginia Lucente Catherine & Nick Perisin
Carmella Cronin (health) Eva & Sam Madia

7:00 P.M. Memorial Mass for Stana Erceg**Tuesday – Utorak, January 31, 2006**

7:30 A.M. Rudy Yukich Charles & Patricia Marino
Jerko (Jerry) Zovko Mama, Tata, brat i obitelj
Marge & John Sobočan Chris & Matt Pesce

Wednesday – Srijeda, February 1, 2006

7:30 A.M. Franca Perin John & Marija Kosić
Evelyn Condich Roseann Lalich family
Na nakanu Ivanka Šušnjara

**Thursday – Četvrtak, February 2, 2006
The Presentation of the Lord in the Temple**

7:30 A.M. Chester Bradlo Bradlo children
Kata Mihaljević Božo Kosir family

8:05 A. M. For Parishioners

**Friday – Petak, February 3, 2006
St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr**

7:30 A.M. Božo Sablić Ana Braskich
Sisters Bernadette & Imelda the Perisins
Edward Marasovich family
Marasso family (special intention) Scalise family

7:00 P.M. Memorial Mass for Ivan Vuković**Saturday – Subota, February 4, 2006**

7:30 A.M. Rudy Yukich Catherine & Nick Perisin
Dominic Scalfaro Catherine & Nick Perisin

5:30 P.M. Augustine Salamone daughter Frannie
Stana Erceg Scalise family
Billy Donlon Ross Valenti

Sunday – Nedjelja, February 5, 2006

7:30 A.M. Stipo Matijević ob. Luca Zeba
Evelyn Condich Millie Balich
Ed Vucinic great nieces & nephews

9:30 A.M. Martin Vidovich
Frankie Vulich
Ed Vucinic

Vera Bozich
Frank and Paul
Joan Sipich

11:00 A.M. u spomen

Vinko Lišnić
Tomislav Hostička
Mary Alfirevich-Fenlon
Samanta Penavić
Ruža Zeba
Maks Milanez
Stipe Pervan
Mara Šušnjara
Ivan Ivanko
Steven Brajković
Na odluku

Bože Guvo
obitelj Hostička
family & friends
ob. Penavić
ob. Marko Zeba
Katica Kosić i ob.
ob. Ljuba Pervan
ob. Dujo Šušnjara
Vesna Krišto
ob. Brajković
ob. Hostička

**Lectors**

Saturday, February 4, 5:30 P.M. Jan Ferro
Sunday, February 5, 7:30 A.M. Matt Pesce
Sunday, February 5, 9:30 A.M. Diane Krolo
Sunday, February 5, 11:00 A.M. Ivica Kuhtić-
Hrdun, Mario Pehar

**ALTAR
SERVERS**

Saturday, February 4, 5:30 P.M. B. Kenny, V.
Kenny, A. Nero
Sunday, February 5, 7:30 A.M. LoCoco, Segvich
Sunday, February 5, 9:30 A.M. Insalaco,
Mitchell, Perseghin
Sunday, February 5, 11:00 A.M. A. Bušljeta, A.
Kraljević, D. Jureta, S. Ivezić, T. Čuvalo

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- ▶ Two apts. in 2 flat bldg, all new. 773 775 7541.
- ▶ Apt. 30th Princeton, 2nd flr, newly remodeled, central air/heat. 312 225 0582
- ▶ Apt. for rent: 32nd Princeton 312-225-7959
- ▶ Large apt. vicinity 29th Shields, 6 rms, very good condition, heat included, \$700. 773 523 1069

WEEKLY MEDITATION—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today we have a glut of words from public figures, but there is a depressing predictability about what they have to say. How few speak with real authority. Jesus, on the other hand, spoke with his own voice and needed no other. From where did his authority come? It came from the fact that he spoke the Truth. The teaching of the Scribes failed to nourish the people. The teaching of Jesus nourished the

heart and the spirit. Some teachers just provide facts; others provide vision, inspiration and meaning.

As soon as Jesus began to teach, the people recognized at once that there was a freshness and a transparency about his teaching. Yet he didn't have the same kind of background as the rabbis of his day. His authority came from his character, which was such that it compelled people to listen.

Then there was the fact that he backed up his words with deeds. In many ways, Jesus himself was the sermon. There is no authority like the authority of the one who has lived what he is saying. Jesus' words carried great authority because they had the ring of Truth and people knew he meant them. Because they are Truth, Jesus' words can change our lives—if we act on them, and not merely listen to them.

OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Today we welcome into our faith community two children:

DARIO JOSEPH MENDOZA, son of Mariano and Lori Ann [nee Bozich] Mendoza. His Godparents are Robert Martucci and Cheryl Bozich.

DANIJELA MARA CRNJAC, daughter of Mate and Katarina [nee Goreta] Crnjac. Her Godparents are Zeljko and Mary Kraljevic.

*Congratulations to the families,
and God bless Dario and Danijela.*

PRAYER FOR THE HELPLESS UNBORN

Our Heavenly Father, in your love for us, protect against the wickedness of the devil, those helpless little ones to whom You have given the gift of life.

Touch with pity the hearts of those women pregnant in our world today who are not thinking of motherhood.

Help them to see that the child they carry is made in Your image—as well as theirs—made for eternal life.

Dispel their fear and selfishness and give them true motherly hearts to love their babies and give them birth and all the needed care that only a mother can give.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

WISDOM'S CORNER

What Really Matters ?

A traveler who had to cross a desert plain hired a donkey to carry him on the journey and offered the donkey's owner a good sum to act as a guide. They set out early in the morning, the traveler riding on the donkey and his guide walking alongside. Soon they had left all greenery behind, and as the sun rose higher in the sky, the heat scorched their skins and parched their throats. At last the traveler called a halt. Since there was no other shade, he threw himself down to rest in the donkey's shadow.

"What right do you have to that shade?" cried the guide. "Move over — that's my place to rest."

"Cheat!" answered the traveler angrily. "Didn't I pay you for the use of the donkey all day long?"

"You paid me for the donkey, but you never paid for his shadow!"

As they argued, neither remembered to keep hold of the donkey's reins. Frightened by the shouting, the donkey took to his heels and ran off across the desert, leaving the two men with no shade to rest in and no beast to ride.

*We lose what really matters when we quarrel
over shadows.*

THE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"If we are living by anything other than the Truth,
we are undernourished."

100th annual Assumption Day Celebration: planning starts this Thursday, Feb. 2, 7:30 pm

Our parish will begin planning Chicago's 100th annual Assumption Day Celebration at a 7:30 p.m. meeting in the **Second Floor Small Hall** (behind the church) this Thursday, Feb. 2. We ask all who want to be included, all who have ideas, suggestions or advice for preparing for this great occasion, please come! On this 100th anniversary we need your help and creativity, especially in developing smaller events such as lectures leading up to the mid-August events.

One component of making the 100th anniversary special is a plan to mass-produce a **video and photo souvenir** of the previous 99 celebrations. **If your family has old photos of celebrations in the 1920s, '30s, '40s, '50s, '60s, etc. or if you have film or video footage**, please contact Louis Scalise about having your video or photograph duplicated to preserve and share with others.

COME TO THE "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 website at www.catholicfest.org or phone the Festival of Faith office at 312-751-8388.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT 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 next week to supporting the Archdiocesan seminary system, where Chicago's priests of tomorrow are being formed.

PREPARING FOR TAX TIME: If you need a statement of your contributions to St. Jerome Parish in the year 2005, please contact the parish office.

NEWS ON MASS INTENTIONS: The schedule of Mass intentions for **February and much of March is full**. Please take this into account when you want to schedule Mass intentions.

Open House for New Families

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. **Interested new families** whose children are in "Preschool-3" through 8th Grade can visit the school on **Tuesday, Jan. 31** from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. and on **Saturday, Feb. 4** from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call 312 842 7668.

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 or call 312 842 7668.

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.

St. Jerome Property Fund

Mortgage Debt from New Parking Lot:	\$ 400,000
Donated to Date:	\$ 180,221
January Donations Thus Far:	\$ 13,265
Needed for monthly mortgage payment:	\$ 11,900

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