

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday - Ponedjeljak, March 14, 2005**

7:30 A.M. Joseph LoCasto wife & sons
 Brian Ruzich Cathy Amato
 Kata Botica M/M John Botica
 Na nakanu obitelj Danica Mlinarić

Tuesday - Utorak, March 15, 2005

7:30 A.M. Chester Brodlo Agnes Lyons
 Biserka Marušić obitelj Marušić
 Fr. Marko Kozina Marasovich girls
 Za duše u čistilištu Društvo Gospe od Ruzarja Preko

Wednesday - Srijeda, March 16, 2005

7:30 A.M. Josip Vuković Ankica Došen
 Kathryn Batina Frank & Noreen Vinci
 Sabine Rabitsch Augustine Rodich family
 Luka Botica Peter & Ann Marie Varvodić

**Thursday - Četvrtak, March 17, 2005
Feast of St. Patrick**

7:30 A.M. Luca Badrov Nevenka Badrov
 John & Marge Sobocan Sutera family
 Evelyn Miloslavich Barbara & Jim Novicki
 Rose Roe Frano & Carol Marasovich
8:05 Mass with children

Friday - Petak, March 18, 2005

7:30 A.M. Ivan Zeba Ivica Zeba
 Rafael Rogić Paul Petrie
 Marija Bon Maria Diacci
 Josip i Marta Zdunić Ankica Došen
 Za duše u čistilištu Društvo Gospe od Ruzarja Preko

**Saturday- Subota, March 19, 2005
Solemnity of St. Joseph**

7:30 A.M. Ante Balich family
 Joseph & Mary Popovich Jerome
 Tomislav Hostička obitelj Bajić
 Joseph Consola Debbie & Mary
 Na odluku Josip i Iva Prša

5:30 P.M. George P. Depeder Martha
 George Paljetak Julie & Deb
 Fr. Ante Grbeš Mary Fratto
 Thompson & Iozzo fam. Iozzo family

Joseph Zekich wife & children
 Selerina Villanueva Rodriguez family
 Josipa Lovrinović Jure i Milka Krpan
 Mate Badrov obitelj Jozo Badrov

**PALM SUNDAY - CVJETNICA
Sunday - Nedjelja, March 20, 2005**

7:30 A.M. Ernesta Crispo Mary & Debbie
 Linda Humbert husband Robert
 Kathryn Batina Frank & Noreen Novicki

9:30 A.M. Anthony Rodich ob. Stipe Tokić
 Dec. mem. of Bozich/Grzetich Joe & Eleanore
 Nick LoCoco Juliana & Charles DiCaro

11:00 A.M. u spomen

Ana Šestan obitelj
 Ante Rodić obitelj Rodić
 Iva Golemac obitelj Erkapić
 Pero Kosir obitelj Ivo Kosir
 Stipe Pervan supruga i djeca
 Mile i Kata Krpan obitelj Jure Krpan
 Anđela Kadić obitelj Frida Penavić
 Stana Delić obitelj Duško Kraljević
 Luka i Mara Dugandžić obitelj Zlata Dugandžić
 Tomo Lusavec obitelj Jure i Milica Lišnić

Lectors

Saturday, March 19, 5:30 P.M. Joseph Magyar
Sunday, March 20, 7:30 A.M. Matt Pesce
Sunday, March 20, 9:30 A.M. Family Mass
Sunday, March 20, 11:00 A.M. Josip Novak i Mario Pehar

**ALTAR
SERVERS**

Saturday, March 19, 5:30 P.M. B. Kenny, V. Kenny, Segvich
Sunday, March 20, 7:30 A.M. Nero, Rodriguez
Sunday, March 20, 9:30 A.M. Atteo, Guzman, Perseghin
Sunday, March 20, 11:00 A.M. N. Babić, J. Kosir, A. Mlinarić, S. Šušnjara, O. Paraga

► **For Rent:** Apt. on 25th Pl. 3 large bdrms, 2nd flr frnt, new appl., carpeting, enclosed porch. Call 630-904-6774.

► **For Rent:** Vic. 31st Princeton - 4 rooms, 2 bedrooms, remodeled kitchen. Call evenings 312-842-6176

► **For Rent:** Large apt. Vic. 32nd Wells Recently remodeled, 3 bedroom, appliances included, laundry on premises. Call 773- 538-4515

WEEKLY MEDITATION — Fifth Sunday of Lent

The desolation experienced by Martha and Mary because of the death of their brother Lazarus is one many of us have experienced. When something bad happens to us or to a loved one, we can't help thinking that if God really cared about us, if He really loved us, then he wouldn't have allowed this thing to happen. We feel abandoned by God, left alone. So what can we do? We must try to imitate Martha. The Gospel presents her as a model of faith. In her hour of grief, she ran to the Lord and poured out her sorrow to Him.. When He challenged her to believe, she made a wonderful profession of faith: "I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into the world."

What we have to do then is to turn to God. We have to go on praying, to go on believing in God. Neither a good life nor a close relationship with God will necessarily save a person from a tragedy. In the face of our pain all we can do is commend ourselves to God and abandon ourselves to His care. God is with us as our hope in adversity and our strength in weakness. Even in death we are not beyond the reach of His help. He didn't leave Martha and Mary to grieve alone, and He does not leave us alone either. He surrounds us with the love and support of family, friends, and the community. He challenges us to have faith in Him: 'I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will never die.' To believe doesn't mean that we know all the answers. Jesus understands the anguish caused by death and tragedies. He experienced it Himself. He triumphed over death, not by avoiding it, but by undergoing it and overcoming it. Thus He has become a pathfinder and a beacon of hope for us. He came that we might have life and have it to the full, here and hereafter!

March — Season of Lent

Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7:00 P.M.

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

When we contemplate Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament we are given the opportunity to thank Him for His passion, death, and glorious resurrection, the marvelous saving act that brought about our redemption. Christ draws near to us and is more intimate with us than we are with ourselves. He strengthens our share in His divine life, the life that transforms us into his likeness and, in the Spirit, He gives us access to the Father. Pope John Paul II reflects: "It is pleasant to spend time with Him, to lie close to His breast like the Beloved Disciple (John 13:25) and to feel the infinite love present in His heart."

St. Jerome Property Fund

Mortgage Debt: \$400,000

Donated to Date: \$ 99,140

Donations received during March \$ 675.



Monthly Mortgage Payment: \$ 11,900

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

WISDOM'S CORNER

I Believe in Death...

I believe in death.

I believe that it is part of life.

I believe that we are born to die,

to die that we may live more fully;

born to die a little each day

to selfishness, to pretence, and to sin.

I believe that every time we pass

from one stage of life to another,

something in us dies and something new is born.

I believe we taste death in moments of loneliness,

rejection, sorrow, disappointment, and failure.

I believe that we are dying before our time

when we live in bitterness, in hatred, and in isolation.

I believe that each day we are creating our own death

by the way we live.

For those with faith, death is not extinguishing the

light;

it is putting out the lamp because the dawn has come!

BOOK OF PRAYER INTENTIONS can be found at the entrance to our church. On its pages we invite you to list your special intentions, the names of those who are ill, or any other prayer requests. The book is presented during the Offertory procession at Sunday masses each week and placed on the altar.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Thursday evening we come before Christ in the Blessed Sacrament to adore Him from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in our church. Please come to visit Him!

LENTEN CONCERT

Don't forget to join us this **Monday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m.** in church for a sacred musical presentation of the Passion of Christ. The Bridgeport Choral Society, now in its 11th season of singing sacred choral music in the Chicago area, will present a performance of **The St. Matthew Passion** by German composer Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672). This program will surely inspire you on your Lenten journey.

PALACINKA BREAKFAST & \$13,000 RAFFLE

St. Jerome School "palacinka" breakfast will be held on Palm Sunday, March 20. The winners of the H.S.A.'s \$13,000.00 Raffle will be picked and announced at this event. Only 250 tickets have been printed. 1st prize \$10,000; 2nd prize \$1,000; 3rd prize \$1,000; 4th prize \$500; 5th prize \$500. Drawing will be held on Palm Sunday, March 20. Donation: \$100 per ticket. Please contact Fr. Joe or Cathi Wilkie at 312-808-0641

HOLY THURSDAY PILGRIMAGE

For the last several years, the tradition of visiting churches on Holy Thursday evening has been observed by many of our parishioners. This special custom is again being planned for this year. Chartered bus transportation will be provided for those interested in making the pilgrimage. The bus will depart from our church following the Holy Thursday evening Mass of the Last Supper. The cost of the bus will depend on the number of participants. To reserve a seat on the bus, call Laura Perseghin at 773-254-0010.

GROWING IN FAITH The March issue of this helpful publication is included in today's bulletin as an insert. Please read it and share some good information.

HOLY HUMOR ...

The little boy was asked, "What's the difference between bad and good?"

"I'll tell you the difference between bad and good. You do one, you get in trouble. You do the other, nobody notices!"

HUMANITARIAN LUNCHEON

The *Croatian Woman, Branch 1* organization is hosting its traditional humanitarian luncheon on Palm Sunday, March 20, at the Croatian Cultural Center. The proceeds from this event go to help the needy in Croatia.

WORK MINISTRY: Care and Concern for the Unemployed

All of us know members of the parish who are out of work. If you are unemployed or looking to make a career change, please visit our website at www.workministry.com.

Job Seekers: go to job seeker options for job search, preparing a resume or application, posting a resume and more.

Employer/Hiring Manager: visit the website for Advertising and job postings of career opportunities with a growing database of candidates.

Work Ministry is a career resource providing support for faith-based organizations serving the unemployed, the underemployed, and career changers. Work Ministry provides resources for spiritual support, career management, and technology for Job Support groups and members seeking assistance. For more information please contact Sue Cibelli @ 847-296-8060 or send her an e-mail at suecibelli@workministry.com

EMPLOYMENT

Wanted: Live-in caretaker in Beverly area, \$350 per week. Call Betty Jercich 773 238-8023.

Woman looking for job as a live-in care giver, has all necessary paperwork and can speak English. Prefers to work with Croatians. Call 773 - 583-0288

Want a Job? Chicago Sports & Novelty at McCormick Place on Michigan Ave. is offering part time work at \$10 per hour. Call Maribeth 708-496-8309

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"The earth is made from stardust. Our bodies are made from the earth."

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