

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday - Ponedjeljak, May 16, 2005**

7:30 A.M. Joseph & Mary Popovich Jerome
For the health of Frank Vulich family
Mišo Božić obitelj Zlata Dugandžić
Rocco Roti Catherine & Nick Perisin

Tuesday - Utorak, May 17, 2005

7:30 A.M. Na nakanu Maria Diacci
Evelyn Miloslavich Scully Scalise
Za sve pokojne obitelj Mihelčić
Rafael Rogić Rade i Mary Bušljeta

Wednesday - Srijeda, May 18, 2005

7:30 A.M. Helen Ursetta Julie Perisin
Ivan Babić Valerija Babić
Andrija Čović obitelj Penavić
Marinovich family Jim & Mary Ann Saracco

8:05 A.M. Na čast sv. Anti Ankica Golub
Mary Rojewski Rodriguez & Puccini fam.

Thursday - Četvrtak, May 19, 2005

7:30 A.M. James Gurgone wife & children
Dec. mem. of Sutera fam. Sutera family
Vladovich-Sutera uncles Chris & Matt Pesce
Joseph Bogetich Pauline, Carol, Marilyn, Joe

Friday - Petak, May 20, 2005

7:30 A.M. Pope John Paul II Helen Kardys
Nicholas Samanić obitelj Stašić
Bruno & Josephine Roti Roger & Geri
Violet/Richard Vrabec Catherine/Nick Perisin

Saturday - Subota, May 21, 2005

7:30 A.M. Josephine Roti Marion
Rafael Rogić Paul Petrie
Evelyn Miloslavich Catherine & Nick Perisin
Dennis DiCaro Catherien & Nick Perisin

5:30 P.M. Evelyn Miloslavich Cookie & Ann
Thompson & Iozzo fam. Iozzo family
Joyce Horwath Bazan family
Walter Wagner Wagner family
Jack Drescoll Mary & Anthony Doria

Sunday - Nedjelja, May 22, 2005

7:30 A.M. Linda Humbert husband Robert
Marge & John Sobocan Chris & Matt Pesce
Rafael Rogić Slavko i Ankica Vojvodić
Michael Marinovich Frano & Carol Marasovich
9:30 A.M. Rose Marasovich family
Sr. Loretta Bozich Annette Blasi
Marko & Elsie Cerina Vera & family
John Townsend Mr. & Mrs. Joe Serio

11:00 A.M. u spomen

Robert Jurlina obitelj
Milan Došen (1st anniv.) obitelj Došen
Antonio Diacci Valerija Babić
Mijo Penavić obitelj Penavić
Anto Beritić kći Maja i obitelj
Jure Bajić obitelj Luka Bajić
Stipan Baijć obitelj Stipe Tokić
Filika Pehar obitelj Anica Ostojčić
obitelj Barun Mijo i Zdenka Barun
Kata i Niko Šesto ob. Pavo i Anica Badrov
fra Ante Grbeš ob. Jure i Zlata Dugandžić

Lectors

Saturday, May 21, 5:30 P.M. Rosemary Brcich
Sunday, May 22, 7:30 A.M. Matt Pesce
Sunday, May 22, 9:30 A.M. Giggie Cortese
Sunday, May 22, 11:00 A.M. Ivana Krpan i
Zrinka Jureta

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Saturday, May 21, 5:30 P.M. LoCoco,
Perseghin, Rubio
Sunday, May 22, 7:30 A.M. Babich, Rodriguez
Sunday, May 22, 9:30 A.M. Atteo, Guzman,
Lopez
Sunday, May 22, 11:00 A.M. A. Bušljeta, CJ
Bušljeta, K. Jurković, D. Jurković, I. Babić

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

► 2 bdrm. apt., recently remodeled, new hrdwd flrs & appliances, 2701 Princeton, special parishioner rate \$450/month call 708-567-1591

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

► 2nd flr apt., 30th Princeton, 2bdrm, newly remodeled, central air/heat, non-smoking, no pets, security deposit. Call 312-225-0582

► 1021 W. 34th Pl., 2 rooms. 773-927-5049

► 2701 Princeton, 3rd floor. \$450

► 1st flr. 29th&Shields, 5 rms, recently remodeled, hardwood floors, carpeting, cable 312 593 2864.

WEEKLY MEDITATION — Pentecost Sunday

Prior to the coming of the Holy Spirit the apostles were virtually living in hiding in the upper room. A great task had been entrusted to them, yet they had neither the strength nor the will to begin it. Yet after the coming of the Holy Spirit they were changed people who set out courageously to preach the Gospel. What did the Spirit do to them? The Holy Spirit empowered the apostles with the energy, momentum, enthusiasm, courage, love, and passion to get on with the task Christ had given them. The Holy Spirit would help them, but he wouldn't do it for them. However, we must not think that the full change in them came about in an instant. It had to be a growth process. We do not easily let go of old ways, habits, and attitudes. People change when they are given hope; when someone believes in them and gives them a task to do; when someone takes an interest in them. Above all, they change when they are loved. They come out of their shells, and hidden energies are released in them. The miracle of human change is the only real miracle.

We too need someone to empower us so that we are able to take charge of our lives and live them responsibly. This means being willing to change what needs to be changed, but we especially need empowerment in order to witness to our Christian faith. The power that changed the apostles is available to us too. The Holy Spirit energizes and strengthens our spirits and warms and purifies our hearts. This is the real miracle of Pentecost and it is a miracle which, gratefully, still happens.

MAY — The Month of Our Lady

Please pray the rosary!

St. Jerome Property Fund

Mortgage Debt:	\$400,000
Donated to Date:	\$122,375
April donations:	\$ <u>1,375</u>
Monthly Mortgage Payment:	\$ 11,900

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



UPCOMING ORDINATION

Brother Ivan Strmecki, of our Croatian Franciscan Custody, who is presently serving at Sacred Heart Parish, will be ordained a priest by Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Perry on Tuesday, May 31, at 7 p.m. in Sacred Heart Croatian Church (2901 E.

96th St., Chicago). Everyone is welcome to attend this special and sacred occasion.

ONE MORE TIME

Please be kind enough not to double park. We have two parking lots available for our parishioners. Thank you.

Fr. Joe

WISDOM'S CORNER *Love is gentle....*

It was late spring and the buds still refused to open. Tightly wrapped up in themselves, they were as hard as stones. The wind shook them. The hail beat them. The frost squeezed them in a fist of iron. All three shouted, "Open up! Open up!" Instead of opening up, the buds reinforced their shells and retreated even more deeply into themselves. Then along came the sun. It issued no threats and made no demands. It just created a more friendly climate. And what happened? Almost overnight the buds began to soften and expand. Then their shells cracked and they burst out into bloom.

If you love, you are gentle. There are certain tasks that only gentleness can accomplish!



CROATIAN ALMANAC 2005, published by our Croatian Franciscan Fathers, is now available for purchase at the rectory (\$15). This year's theme, "Coming Home", features the call, the challenge, and the experience of going back to the Croatian homeland. These are the everyday and touching stories, the ordinary and the extraordinary stories. Thousands of Croatians, American-born and native-born, have their own fantastic stories of ties to "stari kraj", the "old country". Most of them are still unknown and untold, but some of them you will find in the newly published *Croatian Almanac, 2005*.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Kind hearts are the garden; kind deeds are the fruit."

THE PASSING OF POPE JOHN PAUL II — A PERSONAL REMEMBRANCE (continued)

On Tuesday April 5th we returned to the Vatican at dawn for the public viewing of the Pope's body. Upon arriving we were met by a large line that snaked through the small streets of the Vatican City. The line moved us slowly toward St. Peter's as the sun rose behind our backs. Together with pious Italians from Rome who desired to wish their holy neighbor a dear farewell, we silently marched forward while Latin prayers rang out from the Vatican speakers. After five hours we neared St. Peter's towering doors and were guided inside by the Swiss Guard. Awe-inspiring works of art surrounded us as we slowly approached the body of the Pope. Near the center of the grand Basilica a simple table that held the body of Pope John Paul II stood before us. With heavy hearts we knelt in prayer as a great sense of loss conquered our spirits. It was only at that moment, with his body lying before us, that we fully realized that this loving, thought provoking and faith-inspiring papacy had come to an end. It was only then that we realized the death of the only Pope we've ever known, a Pope we loved as an individual and as our Holy Father. Sadness mixed with a sense of fear as we lost sight of his body and prepared to exit. In those few moments we feared for the future of our Church after the loss of such a faithful and courageous leader. We were apprehensive about a future where we, as young Catholics, were going to have to work harder to make this world a gentler place without the charismatic spiritual and moral guidance of our loving Polish Pope. Slowly, with heads bowed and tears in our eyes we exited St. Peter's only to have our fears dismissed by thousands of fellow Catholics converging on the Vatican.

By noon the Vatican was overflowing with people. The quiet crowd we had left was now boisterous, singing hymns in many languages. Women praying rosaries lined the side streets of Vatican City. A line of Croatians marched passed us led by a large picture of Our Lady of Medjugorje. We saw Cardinals and Bishops conversing with people on the streets. The line to view the Pope's body had already doubled and the wait would reach 24 hours at one point. Tent cities began sprouting up around Rome housing visitors from all over Europe. Strangers prayed together and shared stories about the late Pope. Polish flags dominated the horizon.

The courage John Paul II had inspired was evident everywhere. There was no fear in this crowd, only thanks and praise. Each man, each woman, each child knew that the virtue and benevolence taught by Pope John Paul II would always triumph over evil. The millions converging on the Vatican in honor of John Paul II proved it.

***** - Anthony Scalise To be continued...

SPECIAL PAMPHLETS called *Quick Health Facts Chicago*, that deal with a variety of health issues, are available in the back of the church. Please take them.

CONGRATULATIONS to Markie Racinowski, a graduate of our school for making the B Honor Roll at Mother McAuley High School.



VELIKA GOSPA COMMITTEE MEETING will be held on Wednesday, May 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the small hall. All people involved in planning for the Velika Gospa Feast are asked to please attend this important meeting.

WITH GRATITUDE Kurt Struhart and the Knights of Columbus thank the parishioners of St. Jerome, especially one beautiful soul (she knows who she is), for the generous response to the Mother's Day flower sale. A total of \$650 was raised for the Women's Center for crisis pregnancies.