

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekend of February 7/8

- 4:00 PM + Albert Cap - Family
 8:00 AM + Rose Szczepanik - Virginia Majewski
 9:45 AM + Irene Zielinski - Family
 11:30 AM + Esperanza Cambro - Daughter

Monday, February 9

- 7:15 AM + Krystyna Abram - Stella Stolarz

Tuesday, February 10

- 7:15 AM + Franklin A. Paravich - Olga Pekala Family

Wednesday, February 11

- 7:15 AM + Angeline Debski - Family

Thursday, February 12

- 7:15 AM + Kathleen Roman - Susan White

Friday, February 13

- 8:15 AM + Eugene A. Mezydlo - Bob Frjelich

Saturday, February 14

- 7:30 AM + William J. Slusarczyk - Bill Frederisy
 4:00 PM + Anna Jarzombek (27th Anniv.) - Daughter

Sunday, February 15

- 8:00 AM + Olga Pekala - Eleanor Paszkiewicz
 9:45 AM + Charles Anderson - Elaine Boganski
 11:30 AM + Robert & Irene Stevenson - Colleen & Peter Stevenson

Week of February 8 - February 14

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of
 Joseph Cygal - Martin Kuc

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
 Stella Kwinta - Tom Abram

LECTORS February, 2009

- 4:00 PM A. Simmons
 8:00 AM P. Gadus
 9:45 AM J. Struzik/D. Karczewski
 11:30 AM R. Oseguera

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, February 14

- 4:00 PM B. Echeverria, E. Echevarria, N. Mooney

SUNDAY, February 15

- 8:00 AM G. Bonczek, J. Lelo, J. Carlassare
 9:45 AM C. Haro, T. DeCook, M. Elizalde
 11:30 AM M. Ortiz, B. Meyer, D. Ranos

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS February, 2009

4:00 PM

- L. Morse
 B. Frjelich
 J. Gibbons
 M. Piaskowy
 M. Cowperthwaite
 A. Bonczek

8:00 AM

- S. Jezior
 B. Peak
 E. Podsiadlik
 E. Boganski
 N. Moll
 C. Motkowicz

9:45 AM

- C. Malone
 C. Michalik
 P. Maccagnano
 P. O'Rourke
 M. Czarobski
 V. Maccagnano

11:30 AM

- A. Davila
 O. Cruz

USHERS February, 2009

4:00 PM

- P. Orzelski, C. Cowperthwaite,
 P. Krasinski, E. Pindara,
 A. Lubanowski, T. Zalewski,
 N. Zalewski

8:00 AM

- C. Zakrzewski, A. Wopinski,
 T. Nester, A. Jasek,
 M. Noworyta, J. Shanahan,
 A. Bruder,

9:45 AM

- G. Villalobos, E. Lihota,
 G. Slusarczyk, K. Podgorny,
 R. Furman, J. Turman,
 T. Baker, M. Gasior, M. Aducci

Annual Catholic Appeal 2009
A Time for Reflection

“That each of us will give generously to support the work of our Archdiocese through the Annual Catholic Appeal. We pray to the Lord . . .”

This week, you are asked to review the Annual Catholic Appeal brochure that you will receive with your bulletin today. The theme of the campaign is: **“Do all for the glory of God.” (1 Cor. 10:31)**

The Annual Catholic Appeal campaign is much different than a one time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift, payable over five months.

A significant gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. The Annual Catholic Appeal provides a significant portion of the budget of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Most dioceses in the country conduct an appeal, once a year, to help with the costs of providing services and programs to their parishes and people. The Archdiocese of Chicago is no exception.

As you review the work enabled by your contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please reflect on God’s gifts to you. He has given you all you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the Archdiocese and to the work of the Church throughout the world are given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our Archdiocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services.

Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our Archdiocese.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses next weekend and the following weekend.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed . . . He told them: “Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.”

Mark 1:35, 38

Through today’s Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to doing all that God wishes—healing the sick and preaching. Yet Jesus also makes time to be alone in prayer. It is only through prayer, through spending time with God, that any of us can find the strength to do all that God wishes us to do. Be sure to find time this week to be with God.

**World Day For Consecrated Life —
 Prayer for Vocations**

Faithful God,
 We celebrate your fidelity and love for your church. You bless us and call us into a covenant with you, with Jesus, and with the Holy Spirit.

Mary accepted this covenant, offering herself as your blessed handmaid. You entrusted her with your Son Jesus, and in turn she became our mother too. Like Jesus and Mary, bless us with a trusting spirit that we might serve you faithfully.

Inspire men and women to dedicate their lives to you through the consecrated life. Help us to invite, encourage and support men and women to serve the Church.

Blessed are we as we seek to live our lives in holiness and integrity.

We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus and his Blessed Mother in union with the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

ST. FLORIAN’S MISSION STATEMENT

We are Roman Catholics of prayer, service and long-standing tradition guided by the spirit to meet the direct needs of our parishioners and neighboring communities in a demanding social environment.

We strive to achieve a sense of justice, responsibility, prayerfulness, communication and unity by providing:

- All individuals the opportunity of receiving Sacraments;
- The proper educational environment—spiritually, morally, academically;
- A channel for corporal works of mercy; and
- A time and place for social gathering and fellowship.

Our goals and objectives will be accomplished through encouraging active participation in dialogue, evangelization, stewardship, prayer and love.

We pray for . . .

Helen Golden, John Noworyta, Wanda Podgorny, Ida Fasciana, Debra Mokrzycki, Charlotte Frjelic, Edward Kawa, Grant Joseph Bradtke, Larry Kawa, Stanley Wrona Sr., Austin Cichy, Elaine Antuna, Dale Pelekant, Helen Kasper, John Koza, Harriet Brodzik, Mary Rolek, Eugene Kupiec, Dorita De Cardona, Ed Kosmala, Michael Boston, Steven Schwartz, Marietta Falbo, Linda Stannish, Pam Skowronski, Josephine Opiola, Dolores Diaz, Yesenia Guajardo, Beth Laseter, Chestine Trzupek, Patricia Manley, Thomas Frain, Laurie Ferry, Irma Bulatovich, Alicia Davila, Sophie Borowiec, Mark Biel, Leona Krawczyk, Stanley Bonczek, Jesus Manriquez, Kevin Chocholek, Chris Wopinski, Helen Zurawski, Philip Corich, David Donahue, Frank & Yvonne Graczyk, Raquelina Chavez, Ricardo Morales, Helen Slusarczyk, Irene Marszalek, Bob Konecek, Martha Kowalkowski, Paul Sherman, Michael Auld, Virginia Bovino, Salvador Gonzalez, Jr., Rosa Guadalupe Guajardo, Jim Cummings, Dennis Grzyb, Florence Arendt, Lynette Kozlowski, Socorro Elizalde, Asunción Villalpondo, Thomas J. Lohr, Ruben Montemayor, Irma Garcia, Barbara Burnette, Helen Krupinski, Christen White, Katelyn Grabowski, Irma Cardenas, Virginia Majewski, Anthony Gromek, Edward Walczak, Karen Kil, Eugene Piekerczyk, Susan Lenart, Residents of Hammond-Whiting Care Center, and Residents of Dolton Health Care Center and Residents of Burnham Terrace.

We pray for the homebound, sick and hospitalized. If your name appears in the above list and you no longer wish to be included due to recovery, please contact the Rectory at 773/646-4877.



In remembrance . . .

Rose Merola

January 29, 2009

January Baptisms:

Christopher Anthony
Son of Jeffery & Deborah Koscielniak

Tybolt David
Son of Andrew & Dawn Meyer

Sebastian Thomas
Son of Andrew & Dawn Meyer

Burning of Palms for Ash Wednesday

We will burn old blessed palms on Tuesday, Feb. 24th, at 8:15 a.m. in the courtyard. You may bring your old palms and place them in the basket by the Baptismal font. Please make sure there are no ribbons, string, rubber bands or plastic bags as we are not able to burn anything but the blessed palms.

Faith Sharing for Lent

This Lent we will once again offer a special Faith Sharing program for all of our parishioners. This year the Lenten program is entitled "As I Have Loved You." Each session includes time for prayer, reflection, fellowship and service. Materials are concise and lively, and it is made for people with busy lives but open hearts. It will begin with the week of Feb. 22nd and end during the week of March 29th. This is a great follow-up to all those who attended "New Beginnings" last fall. Check future bulletins for dates, times and locations. We hope many parishioners will sign-up for this. Here is a rundown of all the sessions:

Week of	
Feb. 22	<i>Session 1 - Awakening:</i> The Call of Jesus
Mar. 1	<i>Session 2 - Conversion:</i> Cause for Rejoicing
Mar. 8	<i>Session 3 - Reconciliation:</i> Repent and Return
Mar. 15	<i>Session 4 - The Eucharist:</i> Source of Conversion
Mar. 22	<i>Session 5 - Holiness:</i> Perfection of Charity
Mar. 29	<i>Session 6 - Redemption:</i> By His Stripes We Are Healed

For more information or questions, just contact Fr. Jim in the back of church or call the rectory at 646-4877.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday - Feb. 9

Reading Genesis 1:1-9
Gospel Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday - Feb. 10 - St. Scholastica

Reading Genesis 1:20—2:4a
Gospel Mark 7:1-13

Wed. - Feb. 11 - Our Lady of Lourdes

Reading Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17
Gospel Mark 7:14-23

Thursday - Feb. 12

Reading Genesis 2:18-25
Gospel Mark 7:24-30

Friday - Feb. 13

Reading Genesis 3:1-8
Gospel Mark 7:31-37

Sat. - Feb. 14 - St. Cyril & St. Methodius

Reading Genesis 3:9-24
Gospel Mark 8:1-10

Sunday Feb. 15 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Reading II 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1
Gospel Mark 1:40-45

St. Florian School Happenings . . .

visit us at our website!
<http://florian.hegewisch.net>

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Congratulations Students! 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

- Grade 8** - "B" Honor Roll: Nick Cerda, Brittany Maloney, Megan McDonald, Aidan Montejano, Harry Nazimek, Eric Reyes
- Grade 7** - "B" Honor Roll: Leonard Chocholek, Mark Del Real, Marilyn Echevarria, Hector Macias, Bryan McDonald
- Grade 6** - "B" Honor Roll: Christina Drosos, Hally Hunter, Noah Mooney, Joseph Noworyta, Gabriel Rivera-Sklarenki
- Grade 5** - "A" Honor Roll: Aliya Jankowski "B" Honor Roll: Jessica Andrade, Mariah Cabrales, Angela Martinez, Jameel Nemri, Jason Reyes, Raven Robles
- Grade 4** - "A" Honor Roll: Chrisovalanti Katsaros, "B" Honor Roll: Lewis Bensett, Katie Blanco, Lillian Hunter, Renata Meyer, Justin Powell
- Grade 3** - "A" Honor Roll: Nicole Cervera, Emily Kreger, Janina Laskowiecki
"B" Honor Roll: Emily Aducci, Nirvana Alcantar, Morgan Andrade, Nicole Meduga, Angela Morales, Kyle Nazimek, Aidan Varela, Alfonso Villanueva

BINGO
Every Sunday
Doors open at 1:30
Games begin at 2:30
in the gym at 131st & Houston



Congratulations Alumni - Honor Roll!

Bishop Noll Institute:

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| Trevor DeCook | Magna Cum Laude |
| Damon DeGrane | Cum Laude |
| Kristal Gonzalez | Cum Laude |
| Michelle Kasper | Summa Cum Laude |
| Jonathan Kirgis | Cum Laude |
| Joseph Ritchie | Cum Laude |
| David Wagner | Cum Laude |

Market Day - Orders due Fri. Feb. 13th and pick-up is on Fri. Feb. 20th, 2-3 PM in the School Gym. Profits earned last month was \$159.40. Thank you for all your support!

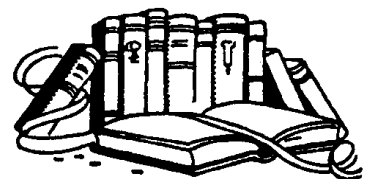
Mission Statement of St. Florian School

Our mission is to provide each student with a Catholic education in all areas. The faculty and school families join the parish staff and fellow parishioners to form a living Catholic faith community. Our school population is multicultural and fosters sensitivity to the needs of all. We promote the students' burning desire for learning. Through education, service, support, formation and challenge, the students are called to realize their potential spiritually, socially, and intellectually. For one hundred years our school has been committed to carry out the Gospel values of Jesus Christ on a daily basis.

February 2009 Book Rack Selections

(Our book rack is located in the back of church.)

- Spirituality for Lent and Easter** by Gerard F. Baumbach
- Connecting with Parents** by Mary Twomey Spollen
- Little Pieces of Light** by Joyce Rupp
- Stations of Cross According to Saint Paul** by Ronald D. Witherup
- Into the Desert** by George Lacey, OSB
- Way of the Cross for Mothers** by J. Katherine Reilly
- Lighthearted View of Wisdom in the Bible** by James A. Fischer, CM
- Trauma of the Cross** by Damien Barry Smith
- Walking a Women's Path** by Helen M. Russell



WEEKLY OFFERINGS Jan. 31/ Feb. 1	
Sunday Envelopes	\$3,075.00
Loose	\$ 480.27
Energy Assistance	<u>\$ 245.00</u>
Actual Received	\$3,800.27
(vs. Budgeted Goal	\$5,250.00)
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 121.00
Maintenance	\$ 208.00
Children's Offering	\$ 47.60
Votives	\$ 163.00

St Vincent de Paul Poor Box - \$76.65
St. Vincent de Paul Society We have received so much from the good Lord that we wish to encourage others to experience His love for them through our ministry of assistance.
PLEASE NOTE: Feb. Food Distribution Date Change
 St. Florian Pantry distribution day will be **Thurs. Feb. 26** (not Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25).

A QUIZ - Do you remember what you gave your spouse last Valentine's Day? Why not do something special and give each other the gift of a satisfying and intimate relationship? The next weekend dates are Feb. 27 - Mar. 1, May 1-3, June 5-7, Sept. 11-13, Nov. 6-8 or Dec. 4-6 For info or reservations, please consult our website at www.wmchicago-gary.org or call Kris and Jim at 1-800-442.3554.

COMMUNITY NEWS . . .
St. Andrew Doughnut Dance! - Come to the 37th Annual "Paczkowy Bal" (Doughnut Dance) on Saturday, February 12th, 2009, at St. Andrew School Gym, 156th & Freeland in Calumet City. Dance to the music of the band New Phaze from 7:00 to 11:00PM. Tickets are \$8.00 in advance, \$10.00 at the door. Doors open at 6:00. Polish food and Paczki (prune, cheese, jelly) available for purchase.
Free Income Tax Service at DeSales Senior Center - AARP will once again have free income tax service for seniors, handicapped, and low income persons, on Mondays from February 2 through April 13. By appt. only. Call 773-768-2850 Mon-Wed 9:00 AM to 12 NOON.
Our Lady of Knock— "Focus on the Positive" Adult Enrichment presentation on Thurs., Feb. 12, in the Parish Hall from 7PM-8PM. Speaker for the evening will be Mary Sue Kegl from St. Alexander Parish in Palos Heights presenting "Lenten Renewals". All are welcome. Call 708/862-3011 for more information.
Annunciata Bereavement Ministry will begin another six week series of its bereavement support group. The purpose of the support group is to offer persons who are grieving the loss of a loved one, emotional support, and to learn ways to cope with their loss. The first support group session begins on Sunday, February 15, 2009, at 2 P.M., and will be held in the Annunciata Rectory meeting room (11128 S. Ave. G). The sessions will be held for six consecutive Sundays. People of all denominations are welcome. For additional information call Annunciata at 773-221-1040

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Feb. 8 Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- Feb. 9 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- Feb. 10 Golden Agers (KH) 1:00
Parent Club Mtg. (PMR) 6:30
Youth Group (KH) 7:00
- Feb. 11 Brownies/Daisies (KH) 2:30
Evangelization Mtg. (KH) 6:00
Holy Name Officers (PMR) 7:00
- Feb. 12 Choir Practice (Church) 6:30
- Feb. 13 Holy Name Society (PMR) 7:30
- Feb. 15 Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- Feb. 16 President's Day - No School
Music Mtg. (Rectory) 9:00
- Feb. 18 Brownies/Daisies (KH) 2:30
Liturgy Mtg. (Rectory) 6:00
- Feb. 19 Scouts (KH) 6:00
Choir Practice (Church) 6:30
Faith Sharing (PMR) 6:30

Coming Soon! Save the Date!

The Harlem Wizards
are coming to town!
Tricks, Hoops & Alley Oops!



Monday, February 23, 2009
7:00 PM — St. Florian Gymnasium
Harlem Wizards vs. St. Florian All Stars
 Tickets available soon!

Please pray for our
Service Members:



- Cpl Ryan Keene, U.S. Marine Corps -
- Chief Dennis Zmija, U.S. Navy - Eugene Zmija, U.S. Air Force - SSgt David Burks, U.S. Army - SSgt Eric L. Abram, U.S. Air Force - LCpl Christopher Abram, U.S. Marine Corps - Lt. Commdr. Nicholas Garcia, U.S. Navy Pilot - SPC Waylon Bader, U.S. Army - Chief Jim Pope, U.S. Navy - SPC Mark J. Dancer, U.S. Army - PVT Joshua Garza, U.S. Army - PVT Adam Garza, U.S. Army - Aaron Alvarez, U.S. Navy - MSgt James Ritchie, U.S. Air Force - Capt. Kathryn Diaz, U.S. Marine Corps - Capt. Christopher Conner, U.S. Marine Corps - Sgt. Michael Marszalek, U.S. Army - Robert A. Islas, Jr., U.S. Navy - Sgt. Matthew R. McGivney, U.S. Army - PFC Kristin Pala, U.S. Marine Corps, 1st Lt. Lisa Klekowski, U.S. Army - PFC Patrick Paskiewicz - U.S. Army, PVT David Cook, U.S. Army - Seaman Laura A. Tomaczak, U.S. Navy, LTC Peter Allen Kubas - U.S. Army, PFC Kelly Shanahan - U.S. Air Force

If you wish to have a family member added to this prayer list, please contact the Rectory at 646-4877.