

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekend of March 6/7

- 4:00 PM + Peter Zroka - Paul & Dorothy Seliga
 8:00 AM + Busia Cap Family - Family
 9:45 AM + Millie Yager - Regina Pryzbyla
 11:30 AM + Alex Kaleta Sr. (1st Anniv.) - Daughters & Family

Monday, March 8

- 7:15 AM + Olga Pekala - Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Ginalski

Tuesday, March 9

- 7:15 AM + Virginia Majewski - Tessie Lapinski

Wednesday, March 10

- 7:15 AM + Nell Pugh - Doris Karczewski

Thursday, March 11

- 7:15 AM + Martha Bis - Daughter & Family

Friday, March 12

- 8:15 AM + Edward Cieszkiewicz - H. Such
 3:00 PM - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 13

- 7:30 AM + Albina Wollack - Family
 3:30 PM - Lenten Prayer Service with Benediction
 4:00 PM + John Prinz - Wife & Family

Sunday, March 14

- 8:00 AM + Eugene Kupiec - Deacon Daniel & Mary Lou Zurawski
 9:45 AM + Peter Orzelski - St. Vincent de Paul
 11:30 AM + Ignacia & Leticia Chavez - Lorena Chavez

Week of March 7 - March 13

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of
 Martha Bis - Daughter & Family

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
 John Prinz - Wife & Family

LECTORS March, 2010

- 4:00 PM J. Struzik
 8:00 AM R. Kopaczewski
 9:45 AM L. Morse
 11:30 AM C. Ramirez

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, March 13

- 4:00 PM K. Mallee, T. DeCook, G. Bonczek

SUNDAY, March 14

- 8:00 AM R. Carllassare, N. Mooney, J. O'Keefe
 9:45 AM H. Walsh, V. Velasco, C. Haro
 11:30 AM X. Gutierrez, B. Echevarria, E. Echevarria

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

March, 2010

- 4:00 PM
 A. Bonczek
 L. Szefc
 D. Karczewski
 M. Cowperthwaite
 B. Frjelic
 C. Motkowicz
- 8:00 AM
 S. Jezior
 J. Gibbons
 E. Podsiadlik
 M. Piaskowy
 N. Moll
 P. Gadus
- 9:45 AM
 P. Maccagnano
 C. Michalik
 C. Malone
 P. O'Rourke
 K. Gibson
 M. Czarobski
- 11:30 AM
 O. Cruz
 R. Oseguera

USHERS March, 2010

- 4:00 PM C. Cowperthwaite,
 E. Pindara, A. Lubanowski,
 T. Zalewski,
 N. Zalewski
- 8:00 AM A. Wopinski, T. Nester,
 A. Jasek,
 M. Noworyta, J. Shanahan,
 A. Bruder,
- 9:45 AM E. Lihota, G. Slusarczyk,
 K. Podgorny, R. Furman,
 T. Baker,
 M. Gasior, M. Aducci
- 11:30 AM T. Favela, J. Gonzalez,
 S. Gonzalez



Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 3:00 PM and
Wednesdays (March 3, 10 & 24)
at 1:45 PM

Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 PM—3:30 PM

**Lenten Prayer Service
with Benediction**

Saturdays during Lent at 3:30 PM

Parish Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, March 16th 7:00 p.m.

*“The Way of the Cross
is our way to
Reconciliation for Lent”*

The fourteen stations of the cross provide the reflection for the communal examination of conscience this year. Join us as Jesus’ last journey on earth becomes our way to reconciliation and absolution.

Lenten Almsgiving

Our parish almsgiving for Lent will benefit the charitable works of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. What we give up for Lent, we give in monetary form as our almsgiving. The St. Vincent de Paul boxes will be in more prominent places throughout the church during Lent. May all of us be faithful in our almsgiving throughout these forty days.

Prayers and Petitions

During this season of Lent we ask you to offer your petitions by writing them down and placing them in one of the baskets located in the back of church. The petitions will be brought up at the Presentation of the Gifts at every Sunday Mass during Lent.



**Come Home
to the Catholic Church**

May it bear fruit in the future

Have you ever taken a Gospel story and applied it to your life? This week’s Gospel (LK 13:1-9) provides an opportunity to examine our faith lives through one of Jesus’ parables. In the Gospel story, the landowner wants to cut down a tree that was not producing fruit. The gardener pleads with him, “Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future.”

Can the fig tree be a metaphor for our faith? Without attention and cultivation our faith lives can feel dry and unproductive which leaves us without joy in the present or hope for the future. These are the comments we have heard from Catholics who have returned since the Catholics Come Home ads aired on television.

There may be someone in your parish that has recently returned to the church and is now attending Mass and receiving the Sacraments. Welcome them to your parish and you may hear their story. The returning Catholics that contact the Office for Evangelization have told about returning to Reconciliation and renewing their commitment to prayer and reading Scripture. These activities have begun to cultivate their faith and already they are experiencing joy and hope.

The newly returned Catholics may have good advice for us all: receive the Sacraments often and spend time with God through prayer and Scripture. Try these practices for a year and see how our faith can bear much fruit.

Catholics Come Home Survey on the TV Ads

In December and January, there were 5 1/2 weeks of television ads that invited Catholics to come back to the practice of the faith. The TV ads were just the starting point for a year of evangelization activities in the parishes. The Office for Evangelization will also be asking Pastors and Parish contacts to evaluate many aspects of the Catholics Come Home evangelization initiative. The full report will be completed this summer.

You are invited to share your opinion of the television ads by answering a brief on-line survey that can be found at:

www.archchicago.org or www.catholiccomehomechicago.org

**Iglesia San Florian
Invitación a la Misión Parroquial
Proclamador: Padre Alejandro Marca**

Domingo, 07 de Marzo, 2010
(durante la misa de 11:30 a.m.)

Lunes, 08 de Marzo, 2010 a Miércoles, 10 de Marzo, 2010
Horario: 7:00 p.m.

“Un amor que puedes compartir”

Temas:

1. “El Principio”
2. “El Buque del Amor”
3. “Un Manto de Amor”
4. “Amor Inagotable”

We pray for . . .

Helen Golden, 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, Dorita De Cardona, Michael Boston, Steven Schwartz, Marietta Falbo, Linda Stannish, Josephine Opiola, Yesenia Guajardo, Beth Lasseter, Chestine Trzuppek, Patricia Manley, Thomas Frain, Laurie Ferry, Irma Bulatovich, Alicia Davila, Sophie Borowiec, 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, Asunción Villalpando, Thomas J. Lohr, Irma Garcia, Barbara Burnette, Irma Cardenas, Anthony Gromek, Karen Kil, Bertha Soto, Marion Vargas, Martin Covarubias, Joseph B. Mistarz, Jr., Ed Ronczy, Policarpo Naya, Raquel Chavez, 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.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday - March 8 St. John of God

Reading 2 Kings 5:1-15ab

Gospel Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday - March 9 - St. Frances of Rome

Reading Daniel 3:25, 34-43

Gospel Matthew 18:21-35

Wed. - March 10

Reading Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9

Gospel Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday - March 11

Reading Jeremiah 7:23-28

Gospel Luke 11:14-23

Friday - March 12

Reading Hosea 14:2-10

Gospel Mark 12:28-34

Sat. - March 13

Reading Hosea 6:1-6

Gospel Luke 18:9-14

Sunday Mar. 14 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Reading I Joshua 5: 9a, 10-12

Reading II 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe March 13/14

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

March 7, 2010

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Church in Central and Eastern Europe has experienced some progress in its efforts to support faith renewal and growth in regions where Catholics still feel the effects of fallen repressive regimes. However, great needs remain, for individual and religious freedoms are in their infancy.

The **Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe** funds essential pastoral services for this vast geographic and ethnically diverse area. These include seminary formation, parish maintenance, and shelter for children and young people in need of housing, education and counseling.

Your generous support of this collection will sustain the confidence and hope which our brothers and sisters in Central and Eastern Europe have come to experience since the fall of communism. On behalf of those who are in need, thank you for sustaining the faith of future generations in this region of the world.

May Our Lord continue to bless you and your loved ones as we strive to live with a deep sense of solidarity for the needs of others within our parishes, our Archdiocese, and throughout the Universal Church. Thank you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

“SATURDAY SIMPLE SUPPERS”

Join us for our Special “Soup of the Day”

In the spirit of Lent in eating less and giving to those in need, we ask you to join us for a Simple Supper in Konsowski Hall on the following Saturdays after the 4:00 PM Mass:



March 13
Chicken Noodle Soup
Wheat with Chicken Soup

March 20
Pasta-pizza Soup
Cream of Mushroom Soup

The menu will include two kinds of soup, crackers, a cookie, and a beverage. Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us for a Simple Lenten Supper. The suggested donation is \$5.00.

St. Florian School Happenings . . .

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

INSERT
LOGO

BINGO! – Every Sunday! Doors open at 1:30

Market Day - Orders due Friday, Mar. 12th and pick up is on Friday, Mar. 19th from 2-3PM. Free stain eraser with an order of \$40. Make two purchases of \$40 between February and April. Then, place a third order of \$40 in May to receive a free Mite 'N' Mighty stool at the May Market Day. Profits earned last month: \$127.92. Thank you for your support!

Sponsors Needed for our Monthly Tuition Raffle!!!

Each month school families are offered an opportunity to win a free month's tuition by purchasing raffle tickets for \$10 each.

If you would like to sponsor a monthly raffle, or know of someone that would like to sponsor a month, please notify the school office at 773/646-2868.

March Raffle Sponsor -
George L. Tamvakis, Ltd.

Annual School Fund -

Thank you for your support! -

We thank all of our parishioners who generously supported our Annual School Fund collection. We had 140 participants who donations totaled \$2,335. All funds collected will greatly assist the St. Florian School.

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.

SUPER RAFFLE
BINGO BASH!
(Our last Super Bingo this school year — don't miss it!)

Sunday - March 21, 2010

DOORS OPEN AT NOON
GAMES START AT 1:30PM
11:30 AM admittance with you ticket.

\$25 admission includes your set-up and luncheon buffet (served from 12:00-1:30)
"Catered by Jimboo's"

RAFFLE, DOOR PRIZES, AND MORE!
\$500 COVERALL

ADMISSION \$25.00.
(Make checks payable to ST. FLORIAN SCHOOL.)
Call the school office (773-646-2868) or stop in during school hours (7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.) to purchase your tickets.

ONLY 150 TICKETS SOLD!

Join us for a great afternoon!

St. Florian School Book Fair "Diner"

The St. Florian School Library would like to thank everyone who visited our Book Fair during Catholic Schools Week. The Library was able to raise \$1,300 in cash and merchandise thanks to your generosity. The book fair is the only school fund raiser that benefits our Library.

The Wheel of Pickles raised approximately \$148 dollars. Money from the Wheel of Pickles was used for the *One for Books* program. *One for Books* matches the money we raised and then donates it to various early childhood literacy programs across the United States. This means every time you spun the wheel you gave a dollar to us and *One for Books* gave a dollar to help kids learn to read!

Your continued patronage of the Book Fair is greatly appreciated!!

WEEKLY OFFERINGS	
Feb. 27/28	
Sunday Envelopes	\$3,425.25
Loose	\$ 536.70
Energy Assistance	<u>\$ 123.00</u>
Actual Received vs.	\$4,084.95
Budgeted Goal	\$5,250.00
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 95.00
Maintenance	\$ 77.00
Children's Offering	\$ 69.32
Votives	\$ 114.00

St Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$138.10

St. Vincent de Paul Society - ...is a small organization of parish men and women who have joined together to help their neighbors in need. We have dedicated ourselves to visit the homes of families in need in our parish to assist them materially and spiritually.

**Help us fill Easter Bags
for St. Vincent de Paul Children**

Items Needed: Any kind or WRAPPED candy, Pencils, Gum, Individual packages of wrapped cookies or crackers, & Small boxes of crayons.

(There will be a basket in the back of Church for these items. We need all items by Mar. 14th, so the bags can be filled before the distribution date.)

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. 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, A1C Kelly Shanahan - U.S. Air Force, - PFC Anthony Baracco, U.S. Army - Master Sgt. Christopher Saberniak, U.S. Air Force

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Mar. 7 Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- March 8-10 Spanish Parish Mission (CH) 7PM
- Mar. 8 Faith Sharing (KH) 1:00
Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
Ministers of Care (Rectory) 7:00
- Mar. 9 Brunch Mtg. (Rectory) 1:30
Parent & Teacher Club (PMR) 6:30
Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- Mar. 11 Athletic Mtg. (School) 1:00
Faith Sharing (PMR) 6:00
Scouts (KH) 6:00
Choir Practice (Church) 6:30
- Mar. 12 Holy Name (PMR)
Officers 6:30 / Members 8:00
- Mar. 13/14 Collection for Central & Eastern Europe
- Mar. 15 Young at Heart (KH) 1:00
Faith Sharing (KH) 1:00
Parish Council (KH) 7:00
Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00

**A Compassionate Experience of the Crucifixion
Monday, March 19th
7:00 PM in Church**



The St. Florian Youth Group will host Fr. Terry Deffenbaugh, a well-known minister of the Archdiocese of Chicago, who will show and demonstrate the instruments of torture used in the Crucifixion of Jesus. This presentation is suitable for teenagers and adults. Please join us.

Annunciata St. Patrick's Day Super Dabber Bingo

Start your St. Patrick's Day celebration with us Sun., March 14, at Annunciata Parish, 3750 E. 112th St. No supplies are needed to play. Tickets are \$26 which includes all your supplies, plus catered buffet dinner, door prizes and more! Doors open at 12:30, dinner is served at 2:00PM and Bingo begins at 3:30PM. For more information call Ron at 773-734-3934.

Marian Catholic Fashion Show - "Rock the Red Carpet" Annual Mothers Club Senior Showcase/Fashion Show on Saturday, March 13 at 10:30 am at Georgio's Banquets of Orland Park. Doors open early for socializing, to view raffle prizes and purchase raffle tickets. Donation of \$50.00/ticket OR \$500/table of ten. All proceeds benefit Marian Catholic High School. Contact Loretta Krydyski (708) 403-7395 for tickets.

HOLY WEEK CUSTOMS

Housecleaning: In many cultures the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week are designated as days for vigorous housecleaning in preparation for Easter. This custom probably evolved from the Jewish custom of ritual cleaning before Passover.