

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekend of March 28/29

4:00 PM + Rose Szczepanik - Betty Mansour

8:00 AM + Busia Cap - Family

9:45 AM + Rose Marie Porter - Lee Morse

11:30 AM + Amparo Escobedo - Loving Family

Monday, March 30

7:15 AM + Josephine Iwan - Family

Tuesday, March 31

7:15 AM + Sylvia Krupa - Children

Wednesday, April 1

7:15 AM + Stella Kwinta - Donna Driscoll & Family

Thursday, April 2

7:15 AM + Angeline Rzonca - Family & Friends

1:45 PM - Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 3

8:15 AM + Verona Biscan (1st Anniv.) - Ed & Carolyn

3:00 PM - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 4

7:30 AM + Eugene A. Mezydlo - Arlene Sobol

4:00 PM + Walter & Sophie Klyczek - Niece, Dolores Waicunas

Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday

8:00 AM + Eugene A. Mezydlo - Mr. & Mrs. A. Wopinski

9:45 AM + Edward Borowski - Wife

11:30 AM + Maria De Las Angles Salazar - Spanish Bible Study

Week of March 29 - April 4

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
Stephanie Lickus - Family

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Palm Sunday April 4/5, 2009

4:00 PM

J. Gibbons
B. Frjelic
E. Boganski
B. Peak
M. Cowperthwaite
M. Piaskowy

8:00 AM

S. Jezior
E. Podsiadlik
S. White
P. Gadus
N. Moll
C. Motkowicz

9:45 AM

D. Karczewski
C. Michalik
P. Maccagnano
P. O'Rourke
M. Czarobski
K. Gibson

11:30 AM

R. Oseguera
A. Davila

LECTORS

Palm Sunday April 4/5

4:00 PM A. Bonczek
8:00 AM A. Simmons
9:45 AM J. Struzik
11:30 AM O. Guajardo

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, April 4

4:00 PM D. Ranos, G. Bonczek, B. Echevarria, E. Echevarria

SUNDAY, April 5

8:00 AM E. Dejanovich, J. Carlassare, N. Mooney, K. Mallee

9:45 AM E. Dejanovich, B. Meyer, T. DeCook, C. Haro

11:30 AM M. Ortiz, S. Zaragoza, X. Gutierrez, M. Elizalde

USHERS

April, 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

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

11:30 AM

L. Arellano, A. Arellano,
T. Favela, J. Gonzalez,
S. Gonzalez

LENT

Stations of the Cross
 Fridays during Lent at 3:00 PM
 & Thursday April 2 at 1:45 PM

Confessions
 Saturdays 3:00 PM—3:30 PM

**Lenten Prayer Service
 With Benediction**
 Saturdays during Lent at 3:30 PM

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.

Holy Week Confessions
 Wednesday after 7PM Tenebrae Service
 Holy Thursday after 8AM morning prayer
 Good Friday after 7PM Traditional
 Way of the Cross



WAY OF THE CROSS THROUGH DOWNTOWN CHICAGO

Led by Bishop Thomas J. Paprocki,
 auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago

on Good Friday, April 10th, 2009
 Starting at 9:15 a.m. and ending by 12 noon

from the Daley Center Plaza (Dearborn/Washington)
 to Holy Name Cathedral (State /Superior)

Walking in silence following the Cross
 With five stops for songs and meditations

“CHRIST IN HIS BEAUTY DRAWS ME TO HIM”

The stops along the way will include: hymns and songs; readings from the Gospel; short reflections by Catholic authors on the Passion of the Lord.

More information at: www.wayofthecrosschicago.org



Holy Week

and Easter

Schedule of Worship

Palm Sunday April 5

(Solemn Entrance with a representative group at each Mass)

Saturday 4:00 PM (English)
 Sunday 8:00 AM (English)
 9:45 AM (English)
 11:30 PM (Spanish)

Wednesday of Holy Week April 8

7:00 p.m. Tenebrae—A celebration of Holy Week’s shadows and darkness

Holy Thursday, April 9

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
 7:00 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper
 Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00PM
 Communal Night Prayer at 10:30

Good Friday, April 10

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
 3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
 (Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion)
 7:00 p.m. Traditional Way of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 11

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
 12:30 p.m. Blessing of Baskets (in Church)
 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil (fulfills the Easter Sunday obligation)

Easter Sunday Liturgies March 23

8:00 a.m. (English)
 9:45 a.m. (English)
 11:30 p.m. (Spanish)



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, Eugene Kupiec, Dorita De Cardona, Ed Kosmala, Michael Boston, Steven Schwartz, Marietta Falbo, Linda Stannish, Pam Skowronski, Josephine Opiola, Dolores Diaz, Yesenia Guajardo, Beth Lasseter, Chestine Trzupiek, 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, Karen Kil, 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 . . .

Edward Pala
Gerald Hogleund

March 19, 2009
March 21, 2009

5th Sunday of Lent

"I will be their God and they shall be my people .."

— *Jeremiah 31:33*

What does it mean to be God's people? It means that first we recognize that everything we have and everything we are truly belongs to God. It also means that we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care to the world just as God cares for us.

Welcome - We want to welcome Susan White as a Eucharistic Minister!

Palms

By Paul Turner



The Catholic faithful use palm branches at Mass on Palm Sunday and bring them home for devotional purposes. "Palm Sunday" is the popular name for the Sunday before Easter, though its full title is "Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion." Two Gospel passages are proclaimed at Mass that day: One tells of people waving branches or spreading cloaks to welcome Jesus in triumph to Jerusalem, and the other tells of his Passion and death.

Any branches may be used in the liturgy, but parishes usually provide palm branches, as mentioned in John's Gospel (12:13). The faithful hold them at the beginning of the Mass for the blessing and procession.

After Mass, people may bring the branches home as a sacramental. Various customs have developed. Some place branches behind a wall-mounted crucifix or other religious image. Others cleverly fold them into crosses. Still others incorporate blessed branches into improvised prayers for protection during harmful weather.

Used palms branches are burned the following year, and the ashes are placed on the heads of the faithful on Ash Wednesday. Some parishes burn their own ashes. People who wish to dispose of old palm branches may offer them back for burning or dispose of them at home in some reverent manner.

Palm branches appear in religious art as a symbol of martyrdom. In the Book of Revelation (7:9), a great multitude praises God with palm branches in hand. In the apocryphal Gospel of pseudo-Matthew (20-21), a palm tree miraculously bends over to nourish the Holy Family on the flight into Egypt, and an angel plants one of its branches in paradise, making the palm of victory in any contest.

*Ministry and Liturgy
2005 Resource Publication*

DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR LENT

Monday - Mar. 30

Reading Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62

Gospel John 8:1-11

Tuesday - Mar. 31

Reading Numbers 21:4-9

Gospel John 8:21-30

Wed. - April 1

Reading Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95

Gospel John 8:31-42

Thursday - April 2 - St. Frances of Paola

Reading Genesis 17:3-9

Gospel John 8:51-59

Friday - April 3

Reading Jeremiah 20:10-13

Gospel John 10:31-42

Sat. - April 4 - St. Isidore

Reading Ezekiel 37:21-28

Gospel John 11:45-56

Sunday April 5 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Reading I Isaiah 50:4-7

Reading II Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Mark 15:1-39

St. Florian School Happenings . . .

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

Market Day - Orders due Fri. Apr. 24th and pick-up is on Fri. May 1st, 2-3 PM in the School Gym. Profits earned last month was \$148.74. Thank you for all your support!

Aluminum Can Recycling - Please bring your aluminum becons to the school parking lot on Wed., April 1st, fore 8 AM.

SUPER RAFFLE **BINGO BASH!**

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

Sunday, March 29, 2009

DOORS OPEN AT NOON
GAMES START AT 1:30PM
11:30 admittance with you ticket.
ADMISSION \$25.00.

\$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

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR!

JOIN US FOR A GREAT AFTERNOON!

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.



Spring Brunch!

(in St. Florian's Gymnasium)

Sunday, April 19, 2009

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

(Doors open at 9:00 for Bake Sale, Raffles)

\$1,000 Grand Prize Raffle

Plus five - \$100 Prizes
and ten - \$50 Prizes

Only \$1.00 per ticket or a book of 12 for \$10.00

Please pick up your raffle tickets in back of church!

Brunch Buffet Tickets

\$10 Adults and \$5 Children (4 -10)
(Available at the Rectory & School)

"Brunch Menu"

All-you-can-eat breakfast & lunch items served from opening to closing including:



NEW THIS YEAR !!!

Hot off the griddle — Waffles & Pancakes!!

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| Eggs | Breakfast Sausage | Chorizo |
| Pierogi | Italian Beef | Chicken |
| Mostaccioli | Polish Sausage | Kraut |
| <u>& and so much more!!!</u> | | |

Please Bake! Delicious treats are needed for our Bake Sale. We can store items in the rectory freezer or just bring your baked goods to the gym early in the morning the day of the Brunch.

Mystery Prizes and Raffle Prizes Needed!

Raffles— Any new and unused items such as garden tools, backyard games, lawn chairs, BBQ items. . .

Mystery Prizes - New and unused items valued at \$5 & \$10 and also items for the kids valued at 50 cents to \$5.

Please drop off donations at the rectory.

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, March 31, at 2:00 in the rectory. Come and join us!!

Spring Brunch - Can we count on you?

_____ Yes, I am available to help with the Brunch.
(Set-up, Serving, or Cleaning up, etc.)

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

If you're available to lend a hand, please fill out the coupon and return it to the Rectory or through the collection basket.

| WEEKLY OFFERINGS March 21/22 | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Sunday Envelopes | \$3,300.00 |
| Loose | \$ 449.69 |
| Energy Assistance | \$ 60.00 |
| Actual Received | \$3,809.69 |
| (vs. Budgeted Goal | \$5,250.00) |
| Bldg. Improvement | \$ 61.00 |
| Maintenance | \$ 36.00 |
| Children's Offering | \$ 53.30 |
| Votives | \$ 168.00 |

St Vincent de Paul Poor Box - \$291.61


Reaching Out - During our liturgy, you extended your hand and said "Peace be with you." After the liturgy, you stretched out your hand to the Poor Boxes and by this action again you said "Peace be with you."



*Help us put a touch of
Springtime in our Church!*

Help us decorate our Church this Easter season with the beauty of spring flowers after a long and dreary winter! We thank you for the support you have shown in past years through the use of our Easter Flower envelopes and encourage you to do so again this year.

We would like to suggest a donation of at least \$10 per family towards our flower collection to cover the expenses. We also encourage others who haven't contributed in the past to please do so this year.



Source & Summit 2009

Let Jesus impact your LIFE at **Source & Summit 2009!** **Source & Summit** is a retreat weekend for teenagers that puts **you** in contact with young, inspiring Catholic priests who speak to you about the importance of a deeper relationship with Our Lord. The energetic music of **Source & Summit** lifts all teens onto their feet in praise of our awesome God! Holy Mass, Adoration and quiet prayer time are offered each day in addition to opportunities to share with fellow teens in small group workshops. **Source and Summit 2009** will be held from **April 24-26, 2009** at Andean High School in Merrillville, IN. To find out more info or to register online, go to www.sourceandsummitretreat.org.


2010 Mass Book: The 2010 Mass Book is now open. Please stop by the rectory to make arrangements for mass intentions in memory of your family members or friends. We also have Masses available in our 2009 Book.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Mar. 29 Faith Sharing (KH) 10:45
Super Bingo (Gym) Doors open at noon
- Mar. 30 Faith Sharing (KH) 1:00
Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- Mar. 31 Brunch Mtg. (Rectory) 2:00
Parents Club Mtg. (KH) 6:30
Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- Apr. 2 Faith Sharing (PMR) 6:00
Choir Practice (Church) 6:30
- Apr. 3 Brownies/Daisies (KH) 2:30
- Apr. 5 Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- Apr. 8 Last Day of Class for School
- Apr. 10 Good Friday—Rectory Office Closed
- Apr. 13 Rectory Office Closed
- Apr. 13-17 Easter Break—School Closed
- Apr. 14 Golden Agers Mtg. (KH) 1:00
- Apr. 15 Holy Name Officers (PMR) 7:00
- Apr. 17 Holy Name (PMR) 7:30

Thank You! - A special note of thanks to all who participated in the pro-life postcard campaign. Our political leaders need to understand that the "Freedom of Choice Act" goes against Catholic principles. The people of St. Florian Parish did their part to defend the unborn child. We said, yes to life just as Mary did.

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 Pat-
rick 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.*