

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Weekend of April 9/10**

- 4:00 PM + John & Lottie Sabados - Helen & Evelyn
- 8:00 AM + Stephanie Duszynski - Mr. & Mrs. R. Raczak
- 9:45 AM + Emily Hinderer - Barbara & Edward Blaszk
- 11:30 AM + William J. Dugal - Olivia Ganado

**Monday, April 11**

- 7:15 AM + Stella Stolarz - Helen Lis

**Tuesday, April 12**

- 7:15 AM + Frank Mosser - Mosser Family

**Wednesday, April 13**

- 7:15 AM + Mary Juszczyk - Dolores Waicunas

**Thursday, April 14**

- 7:15 AM + Helen "Skippy" Golden - Ceil Motkowicz

**Friday, April 15**

- 8:15 AM + Stephanie Duszynski - Peter, MaryBeth & Matthew Duszynski
- 3:00 PM - Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, April 16**

- 7:30 AM + Vincent Ginalski - Chester Czajka
- 4:00 PM + Louise Maciejciek - Ron & Irene Nawracaj

**Sunday, April 17**

- 8:00 AM + Stella Bulanda - Mr. & Mrs. Nemeth
- 9:45 AM + Rose Grzeskowiak - Daughters
- 11:30 AM + Lucila Quintenos - Julia Gonzales

**Week of April 10 - April 16**

**The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of**  
Louise Maciejciek - Ron & Irene Nawracaj

**The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of**  
Louise Maciejciek - Ron & Irene Nawracaj

**LECTORS**

**Palm Sunday  
April 16/17, 2011**

- 4:00 PM A. Bonczek
- 8:00 AM R. Kopaczewski
- 9:45 AM V. Maccagnano
- 11:30 AM O. Guarjardo

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**SATURDAY, April 16**

- 4:00 PM T. DeCook, J. Laskowiecki, J. O'Keefe, K. Mallee

**SUNDAY, April 17**

- 8:00 AM B. Echevarria, R. Robles, A. Morales, N. Cervera
- 9:45 AM D. Ranos, C. Haro, A. Villanueva, N. Meduga
- 11:30 AM X. Gutierrez, M. Ortiz, S. Zaragoza, V. Velasco

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Palm Sunday  
April 16/17, 2011**

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

**USHERS**

**April, 2011**

- 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 F. Favela, J. Gonzalez



**Stations of the Cross**

Fridays during Lent at 3:00 PM

**Confessions**

Saturdays 3:00 PM—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 in the book located in the back of church. The book will be brought up at the Presentation of the Gifts at every Sunday Mass during Lent.

**Holy Week Confessions**

Wednesday after Tenebrae Service  
 Holy Thursday after morning prayer  
 Good Friday after The Way of the Cross  
 Holy Saturday after Blessing of Baskets

**Bright sadness is the true message and gift of Lent.**

Little by little we begin to understand, or rather to feel, that the sadness of Lent is indeed “bright,” that a mysterious transformation is about to take place in us. It is as if we were reaching a place to which the noises and the fuss of life, of the street, of all that which usually fills our days and even nights, have no access—a place where they have no power. All that which seemed so tremendously important to us as to fill our mind, that state of anxiety which has virtually become our second nature, disappear somewhere and we begin to feel free, light, and happy. It is not noisy and superficial happiness which comes and goes twenty times a day and is so fragile and fugitive; it is a deep happiness which comes not from a single and particular reason but from our soul having, in the words of Dostyevsky, touched “another world.” And that which is has touched is made up of light and peace and joy, in an inexpressible trust.

Alexander Schmemmann  
 (From *Great Lent: Journey to Paschal*)



*Schedule of Worship*

**Palm Sunday**

**April 17**

(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 20**

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

**Holy Thursday, April 21**

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 10:30PM

**Good Friday, April 22**

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
 12:00 p.m. Traditional Way of the Cross  
 3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord’s Passion (English)  
 7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord’s Passion (Spanish)

**Holy Saturday, April 23**

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**

**April 24**

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



## We pray for . . .



Debra Mokrzycki, Charlotte Frjelich, Edward Kawa, Grant Joseph Bradtke, Larry Kawa, Stanley Wrona Sr., Austin Cichy, Elaine Antuna, Dale Pelekant, John Koza, Harriet Brodzik, Mary Rolek, Dorita De Cardona, Michael Boston, Steven Schwartz, Marietta Falbo, Linda Stannish, Yesenia Guajardo, Beth Lasseter, Chestine Trzupsek, Thomas Frain, Laurie Ferry, Irma Bulatovich, Alicia Davila, Leona Krawczyk, Stanley Bonczek, Jesus Manriquez, Kevin Chocholek, Chris Wopinski, Philip Corich, David Donahue, 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 Villalpondo, Thomas J. Lohr, Irma Garcia, Irma Cardenas, Anthony Gromek, Karen Kil, Bertha Soto, Martin Covarubias, Joseph B. Mistarz, Jr., Policarpo Naya, Genoveva Nateras, Peter Ladowski, Barry Piotrowski, Melissa Young, Judy Prokapeka, Rosie Dunmore, Carl Abram, Felicia Pancer, Sophie Kapera, Helen & John Larson, Irene Stincic, Eleanor Wiencek, Michelle Kendra, Loretta Wopinski, Shirley Ostrowski, Marlene Kubiak, Maryann Henney, Paul & Pat Pirowski, Joe Moncada, Christine Michalik, Alfonso Soto, Dianne Williams, 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 - Apr. 11 - St. Stanislaus

Reading 2 Kings 4:18b-21, 32-37

Gospel John 11:1-45

### Tuesday - Apr. 12

Reading Numbers 21:4-9

Gospel John 8:21-30

### Wednesday - Apr. 13 - St. Martin I

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

Gospel John 8:31-42

### Thurs.- Apr. 14

Reading Genesis 17:3-9

Gospel John 8:51-59

### Friday - Apr. 15

Reading Jeremiah 20:10-13

Gospel John 10:31-42

### Saturday - Apr. 16

Reading Ezekiel 37:21-28

Gospel John 11:45-56

### Sunday Apr. 17 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Reading I Isaiah 50:4-7

Reading II Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Matthew 26:14-27. 66

*"Devote your first and principal care to cleansing your own conscience.*

*Let cleansing the consciences of others come later: For how can one be of use to others who takes no care for oneself?"*

St. Frances Xavier

## Easter Duty

By Paul Turner

Going to communion is a treasured privilege among Roman Catholics. Most of the faithful present themselves for the Eucharist at every Mass they attend. It is hard to imagine a time when people received communion infrequently, but that was the case for many centuries. As the church stressed our belief in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, our ancestors began to feel unworthy to share it. Some people took this to an extreme and stopped receiving communion altogether.

That was never the idea. At the Last Supper, Jesus said, "Take and eat, take and drink." He issued an invitation; he did not set up a barrier. Consequently, in the year 1215, the Fourth Lateran Council decided to take action. It required the faithful who had reached the age of discretion to confess their sins at least once a year to their own parish priest and to receive the sacrament of the Eucharist reverently at least once a year at Easter.

A version of this rule is still in the Code of Canon Law of the Roman Catholic Church. After their first communion, each of the faithful must receive holy communion at least once a year during the Easter season (the 50 days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost). But for a just cause, people may receive at another time of year (canon 920).

Having reached the age of discretion, Catholics are obliged to confess grave sin at least once a year to any priest (canon 989), which many have done during Lent to prepare for an Easter communion. Lent is still a good time to go to confession. Easter is a wonderful time to receive communion. But we should confess any grave sin right away and receive communion every Sunday.

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## Church Regulations Regarding Fast & Abstinence

**Fasting:** All the faithful in good health from ages 18 to 59 years fast on Good Friday by limiting themselves to one full meal. On such fasting days, they may also take two smaller meals, but nothing between meals.

**Abstinence:** Catholics aged 14 and older abstain from meat on Good Friday and on all the Fridays of Lent.

# St. Florian School Happenings . . .

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



**BINGO every Sunday!**  
**Doors open at 1:30**  
**Games begin at 2:30**

**Please Note:** Due to the Easter Holiday, there will be no Bingo on April 24.

**Penmanship Award!!** - Janina Laskowiecki, a fifth grade student, at St. Florian School won the Zaner-Bloser Contest. She was one of 200,000 students who entered the contest. Janina will go on to the national competition. We at St. Florian are very proud of your accomplishments. May God Bless you on the next level of competition.

**Market Day** - Pickup is on Friday, Apr. 15th. Profits earned last month: \$153.95. Thanks for your support!

**Aluminum Can Recycling** - Please bring your aluminum cans to the school parking lot on Wed., May 4, by 8 AM.

### 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 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.

## Palms

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 palm 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.

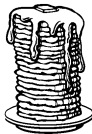
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<b>WEEKLY OFFERINGS</b>	
<b>April 2/3, 2011</b>	
Sunday Envelopes	\$3,692.01
Loose	\$ 490.89
Energy Assistance	<b>\$ 260.00</b>
Actual Received vs.	\$4,442.90
Budgeted Goal	\$5,250.00
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 121.00
Maintenance	\$ 218.00
Children's Offering	\$ 62.50
Votives	\$ 129.00

**St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$320.00**

**Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread** When we pray the Our Father, we ask God to provide our food. The Majority of us receive sufficient food. Other do not. We can be our Father's instrument by providing "bread" for the needy. You do this by your contributions to the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes.

**Come to the KC's Pancake Breakfast with the Easter Bunny!** - The KC's of Hegewisch will host a Pancake Breakfast with the "Easter Bunny" on Sunday, April 10th, from 8:00 - 12:30 at the St. Columba Social Center. Free gift and photo with the Easter Bunny for all the kids! The breakfast will include "All You Care To Eat" Pancakes, Fench Toast, Sausage, Eggs to order, Coffee, Milk, and Orange Juice. The cost is still the same low price of \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 10 and under.



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 - Cpl Christopher Abram,  
 U.S. Marine Corps - Lt. Commdr. Nicholas Garcia,  
 U.S. Navy Pilot - SPC Waylon Bader, U.S. Army - 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 - Cpl Kristin Pala,  
 U.S. Marine Corps - Capt. 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 - A1C Nicolaos Hofbauer, 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**

- Apr. 10      Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- Apr. 11      Faith Sharing (Rectory) 1:00  
                 Young at Heart (KH) 1:00  
                 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- Apr. 12      VFW (PMR) 5:00  
                 School Board (Rectory) 6:30
- Apr. 13      SVDP (KH) 3:30  
                 Daisies (PMR) 4:30
- Apr. 14      School Planning Mtg. (Gym) 5:30  
                 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 6:00  
                 Scouts (PMR) 6:00  
                 Palm Weaving (KH) 6:30  
                 Choir Practice (Church) 6:30
- Apr. 15      Market Day (Gym) 2:00
- Apr. 17      Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- Apr. 20      Last Day of Class for School
- Apr. 22      Good Friday—Rectory Office Closed
- Apr. 25      Rectory Office Closed

**Congratulations Spring Brunch Raffle Winners!**

**\$1,000 Grand Prize**

Barbara Kalemba

**\$ 100 Prizes**

Debbie LaMonica, Eric Gomez, Kevin & Shanon Michelin, Martha Zajac, Shirley Maynard

**\$ 50 Prizes**

Stanley Bonczek, Mia Menchaca, Sheila Blanco, Darlene Hunter, Natalie Gould, Mark Aducci, Anna Cuevas, Lupe Menchaca, Norberto Davila, June Robles.

Congratulations to all and thank you for your support. We will have a full report once all receipts are counted and bills are paid.

**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.

**Palm Weaving:** If anyone is interested in palm weaving (braiding), please join us in Konsowski Hall on Thursday April 14th at 6:30PM. Bring scissors and tape. We will use some of the palms to help beautify our Church for Palm Sunday!