



*Welcome*  
*Most Rev. Francis J. Kane*

*Confirmation Class*  
*May 7, 2011*

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|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Eric</b>       | <i>Blaze</i>     | <b>Arnold</b>    |
| <b>Christina</b>  | <i>Rose</i>      | <b>Drosos</b>    |
| <b>Michelle</b>   | <i>Veronica</i>  | <b>Favela</b>    |
| <b>Nikolas</b>    | <i>Luke</i>      | <b>Glazewski</b> |
| <b>Carlos</b>     | <i>Vincent</i>   | <b>Haro</b>      |
| <b>David</b>      | <i>David</i>     | <b>Hertl</b>     |
| <b>Hally</b>      | <i>Therese</i>   | <b>Hunter</b>    |
| <b>Kyle</b>       | <i>John</i>      | <b>Krawczyk</b>  |
| <b>Kristyanna</b> | <i>Elizabeth</i> | <b>Mallee</b>    |
| <b>Noah</b>       | <i>Patrick</i>   | <b>Mooney</b>    |
| <b>Joseph</b>     | <i>Michael</i>   | <b>Noworyta</b>  |
| <b>Alena</b>      | <i>Alena</i>     | <b>Powers</b>    |
| <b>Ana</b>        | <i>Guadalupe</i> | <b>Reynoso</b>   |
| <b>Gabriel</b>    | <i>Raphael</i>   | <b>Rivera</b>    |
| <b>Sabrina</b>    | <i>Priscilla</i> | <b>Salazar</b>   |
| <b>Vanessa</b>    | <i>Magdalena</i> | <b>Velasco</b>   |
| <b>Vincent</b>    | <i>Leo</i>       | <b>Yzaguirre</b> |

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Weekend of May 7/8

- 4:00 PM - Confirmation Liturgy with Bishop Francis J. Kane  
 8:00 AM + Helen Mary Gasiiecki - Sister, Eleanore  
 9:45 AM + Kenneth Surowiec - Jim & Pat O'Rourke  
 11:30 AM + Mary Posko (9th. Anniv.) - Family

### Monday, May 9

- 7:15 AM + Helen Kasper - Bill Frederisy

### Tuesday, May 10

- 7:15 AM + Irene & Marian Sadowski - Pat & Dorothy Camden

### Wednesday, May 11

- 7:15 AM + Vincent Ginalski - Mr. & Mrs. Charles Backofen

### Thursday, May 12

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

### Friday, May 13

- 8:15 AM + Gene Jendra - John & Joan Kaim

### Saturday, May 14

- 7:30 AM + Stella Stolarz - Bill & Linda Bugajski  
 3:30 PM - May Crowning  
 4:00 PM + Valenty & Kinga Skrzekut - Family

### Sunday, May 15

- 8:00 AM + Frank Orchowski - Lillian Gomalski  
 9:45 AM + Ted & Frieda Nawracaj - Ron & Irene Nawracaj  
 11:30 AM + Manuel & Rosario Ortega - Dalia Chavez

### Week of May 8 - May 14

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

**The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of**  
 Walter Lenckos - Family

### LECTORS May 2011

- 4:00 PM B. Frederisy  
 8:00 AM P. Gadus  
 9:45 AM K. Gibson  
 11:30 AM I. Jimenez

### ALTAR SERVERS

#### **SATURDAY, May 14**

- 4:00 PM K. Mallee, N. Cervera, J. Laskowiecki

#### **SUNDAY, May 15**

- 8:00 AM N. Mooney, A. Morales, J. O'Keefe  
 9:45 AM C. Haro, A. Villanueva, A. Shea  
 11:30 AM X. Gutierrez, M. Ortiz, S. Zaragoza

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS May 2011

4:00 PM

- A. Bonczek  
 L. Szefc  
 B. Frjelich  
 C. Motkowicz  
 M. Cowperthwaite  
 L. Morse

8:00 AM

- S. Jezior  
 J. Gibbons  
 E. Podsiadlik  
 N. Moll  
 K. Gibson  
 B. Peak

9:45 AM

- V. Maccagnano  
 M. Czarobski  
 P. O'Rourke  
 P. Maccagnano  
 O. Haro  
 P. Haro

11:30 AM

- R. Oseguera  
 A. Davila

### USHERS May, 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

**Welcome Bishop Kane!**

We warmly welcome Bishop Kane as he joins us for the administration of the Sacrament of Confirmation this Saturday afternoon. Please keep all of our newly confirmed in your prayers as they join the ranks of mature Catholics who will strengthen us in our ministries. May this Confirmation celebration be a reminder for all of us to renew our faith and our commitment to live out our Baptismal promises as we open our minds and hearts to the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

We congratulate the newly confirmed, their sponsors, families and friends.

**Come Holy Spirit**

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Your love.*

*Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created. You shall renew the face of the earth.*

*Let us pray, O God, Who did instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen*



All about help and just about everywhere.

**ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO**

**MOTHER'S DAY  
APPEAL  
MAY 7/8, 2011**

May, 2011

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Season of Easter is a season of hope. This year, the Catholic Charities Collection on Mother's Day very appropriately occurs during this holy season. The life, death and resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ won for us the gifts of salvation and hope. On Mother's Day, we celebrate the life-giving love and devotion of the heroic women who modeled and passed on to us the gifts of hope and faith.

During the Season of Easter, the readings reiterate themes of the new life that is ours in the Risen Christ. As Catholics, we are people of hope who share this gift with our brothers and sisters of all faiths, especially those who are in need. For 93 years, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago has restored hope to poor or struggling families and individuals, because hope is what matters most to a homeless family with a parent out of work, or a senior on a limited income who lives alone.

Last year, more than a million people of all ages, races and religions received services through Catholic Charities' 159 programs at 156 sites in Cook and Lake Counties. Seniors, parents and children, pregnant and parenting teens, and hungry and homeless families and individuals come to Catholic Charities hoping to find the basic necessities to maintain life: food, clothing, housing, parenting skills and a renewed sense of dignity. They find professional and compassionate help to ease their anxiety, work their way out of poverty, build healthy family relationships, and solve the problems that keep them from independence and financial self-sufficiency.

From conception to natural death, Catholic Charities strives to maintain the dignity and respect to which every human being is entitled. As our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI stated in his encyclical letter on Christian hope, *Spe Salvi*: "The one who has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life." Thank you for your continued gift of hope, your charity and your willingness to open your hearts in prayerful and practical support of the poor and vulnerable with your gift to the Catholic Charities Collection on Mother's Day.

May Mary, the Mother of Jesus and of the Church, and her Divine Son bless you and your families with hope, peace and joy as you celebrate Mother's Day and the Easter Season. You and those you love are in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

**Mother's Day Prayer**

God our creator, we come before you and lift up in prayer all mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers and mothers to be who gave the gift of life. We give you thanks for their presence, talents and gifts which they share in our church, society and world. May all mothers know of your loving and gentle presence and may they always turn towards you in times of joy, sorrow and glory. We ask this in your name. Amen.

## 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 - May 9

Reading Acts 6:8-15  
Gospel John 6:22-29

### Tuesday - May 10 - St. Damien

Joseph de Veuster

Reading Acts 7:51—8:1a  
Gospel John 6:30-35

### Wednesday - May 11

Reading I Acts 8:1b-8  
Gospel John 6:35-40

### Thurs. - May 12 - St. Nereus & St. Achilleus St. Pancras

Reading Acts 8:26-40  
Gospel John 6:44-51

### Friday - May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima

Reading Acts 9:1-20  
Gospel John 6:52-59

### Saturday - May 14 - St. Matthias

Reading Acts 1:15-17, 20-26  
Gospel John 15:9-17

### Sunday - May 15 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Reading I Acts 2:14a, 36-41  
Reading II 1 Peter 2:20b-25  
Gospel John 10:1-10

## In Remembrance

Eleanore Orchowski May 2, 2011



## Christ our Light!

Can you remember a similar feeling like two Emmaus Disciples: *were not our hearts burning within us?*

Can you recall a time when a conversation seared your inner listening and left you with a burning desire to hear more, to do something with a new awareness within you? This is an encounter with the Lord. Allow me the opportunity to suggest that such a time is how a connection to Christ occurs.

A holy rite on Holy Thursday is the washing of the feet, reminding us of Jesus' attitude toward his cherished ones. How inspiring this gesture becomes when we see the layers of meaning. Whenever someone is lost, anxious, confused, out-of-sorts with life, my suggestion is: *wash some feet*. Even if our concerns are legitimate and need significant attention, placing our anxieties on hold while focusing on another's needs puts us in a listening mode. Becoming present to the plight of another connects us to Christ.

A few years ago I read of a Dad who followed a winter-routine with his son. The first Saturday of each winter month father and son would buy a dozen pair of kid's gloves or mittens. The two of them would travel to that area of the City where homeless people with children would be and gave them gloves and some food. Father and son would then go to breakfast themselves and talk. The son saw a world he did not know; the son saw a world within himself he did not know. He met the Risen Christ in and through the poor. His heart was burning within; this young child was never the same.

A prime place of connection to Christ surfaces in listening to the poor and watching those serving the poor. When all of us are disturbed by the poverty around us, then the voice of the poor will have been heard; the voice of Christ will impel us toward love.

The Catholic Charities Collection today is an important way for Catholics to serve those in need. And I challenge you reading this article (part of a series on connection to Christ): Parents and grandparents, introduce your (grand) children to Christ; connect them to those in need. Find a way for your loved ones to see the face of Christ in the hungry or homeless or ill or imprisoned or thirsty or naked!

Accept that He is risen for you! Pray: Christ be our light!

-Rev Msgr. Rich Hynes

*These Easter series of eight articles offer stories of connection to the Risen Christ. Msgr. Rich Hynes, a priest for 39 years, serves the Archdiocese of Chicago as Director of the Department of Parish Life & Formation. His previous Archdiocesan assignments include Pastor-St. John of the Cross (Western Springs), Associate Pastor-St. Martin de Porres (Chicago), St. Athanasius (Evanston), St. James (Arlington Heights), and Spiritual Director at the St. Joseph College Seminary at Loyola University.*

# St. Florian School Happenings . . .

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



## St. Florian Music Department Spring Concert



Join us for the St. Florian Music Department Spring Concert on Wednesday, May 25, 2011 from 7PM until 7:45PM in the School Gym. Showcasing the outstanding musical talent of the children of St. Florian. Enjoy performances by Kindergarten through 8th Grade. Entertaining you with voice and instrument. Performing tunes such as: Travel Song, The Siamese Cat Song, Barcarolle, Jambo, Morning, Surpercalifragilisticexpialidocious, and Sonata Theme. Solo performances and much more.... See you there!!

### **BINGO every Sunday!**

**Doors open at 1:30**  
**Games begin at 2:30**



**Please Note:** No bingo on May 8th and May 29th. The last bingo will take place on June 5th.

### ***Farewell Principal McKenna!***

St. Florian Parent-Teacher Club  
 is hosting a  
**Retirement Reception for Mr. McKenna**  
**Saturday - May 21, 2011**

Join us for 4:00 PM Mass followed by a reception in Konsowski Hall. Please stop by and offer good wishes for all of Mr. McKenna's future endeavors.

**Market Day** - Orders due on Friday, May 13th and pickup is on Friday, May 20th. Profits earned last month: \$131.88. Thanks for your

**Aluminum Can Recycling** - Please bring your aluminum cans to the school parking lot on Wednesday, June 1, by 8 AM.

### **Register Now for our 2011 - 2012 School Year!**

Registration for the 2011-2012 school year is now underway for 3 & 4 year old Preschool through Grade 8. For further information, please contact the school office at 773-646-2868.

### **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.

### **The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland Baby Bottle Project**

In support of the pro-life movement, our church will be participating in the Baby Bottle Project benefiting The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland. This non-profit organization directly assists mothers and families experiencing crisis pregnancies by offering emotional, financial, material, and spiritual support through counseling, clothing & monetary provisions, prayer, and other aid.

We will distribute baby bottles after each Mass this weekend for you to take home and put your spare change into. Please return the bottles to the Church or at the Rectory no later the weekend of—May 21/22. This is a simple, but crucial fundraising effort for The Women's Centers. Thank you for helping defend life.

### **Praying the Rosary**

During the month of May, we will continue to pray the rosary each morning before Mass. Please join us before Mass Monday thru Friday as well as before the 7:30 AM Mass on Saturday and before the 8:00 Mass on Sunday.



We will also continue praying of the rosary at the Mary Garden every Thursday afternoon in May beginning at 1:50PM. Join our school children as they lead the rosary to Our Lady of St. Florian. We hope many of you can come and express your prayerful devotion to Mary during the month of May.

Fr. Jim

| <b>WEEKLY OFFERINGS</b>      |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| <b>April 30/ May 1, 2011</b> |            |
| Sunday Envelopes             | \$2,529.00 |
| Loose                        | \$ 407.46  |
| Energy Assistance            | \$ 212.00  |
| Actual Received vs.          | \$3,148.46 |
| Budgeted Goal                | \$5,250.00 |
| Bldg. Improvement            | \$ 107.00  |
| Maintenance                  | \$ 239.00  |
| Children's Offering          | \$ 46.25   |
| Votives                      | \$ 79.00   |

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- May 7/8 Catholic Charities Collection
- May 8 Mothers Day
- May 9 Young at Heart (KH) 1:00  
Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- May 10 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00  
VFW Mtg (PMR) 5:00
- May 11 Evangelization Mtg. (Church) 6:00  
Youth Group (KH) 7:00
- May 12 Rosary (Outdoors) 1:50 PM  
Faith Sharing (PMR) 6:00  
Choir Practice (Church) 6:30  
Parents Club (KH) 6:30  
Girl Scout Assemble (Gym) 7:00
- May 14 May Crowning (Church) 3:30  
Mostaccioli Dinner (Gym) 5:00
- May 15 Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- May 17 School Advisory Board (Rectory) 6:30
- May 18 Choir Practice (Church) 6:30
- May 19 May Crowning (Outdoors) 1:50 PM  
Scouts (KH) 6:00  
1st Communion Prac. (Church) 7:00
- May 20 Market Day (Gym) 2:00

**St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$157.00**

**Mother's Day** - The most creative job in the world involves taste, fashion, decorating, recreation, education, transportation, psychology, romance, cuisine, design, literature, medicine, handi-craft, art, horticulture, economics, government, community relations, pediatric, geriatric, entertainment, maintenance, purchasing, direct mail, law, accounting, religion, energy and management. Anyone who can handle these has to be someone special.

*Happy Mother's Day from the St. Vincent de Paul Society*

**Any Green Thumbs Available???**

We are looking for a few people to help tend St. Florian's gardens and landscaping. Can you spare some time to come out occasionally to trim bushes, pull weeds, plant flowers and generally spruce up after a long winter? Please call the rectory (773-646-4877) and let us know if can help!



**Young at Heart** will meet on Monday, May 9th at 1PM in Konsowski Hall. Please make a note of the date and be sure to join us!

**St. Florian Holy Name Society  
4th Annual  
Mostaccioli Dinner  
Saturday, May 14  
5:00 - 7:00 PM**



*in St. Florian Gymnasium  
Doors open immediately after mass.*  
Please join us! Dinner includes mostaccioli, salad, bread, dessert, and coffee. Adults \$7.00 and children (under 12) \$3.00. Tickets will be sold by members of the Holy Name Society, or at Rectory.

**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, - 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.*

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL  
PLEDGE PAYMENTS**

The monthly pledge billings for the Archdiocesan Annual Catholic Appeal pledges have been mailed. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach and, hopefully, exceed our goal. Once the pledge payments have exceeded our goal, all of the additional funds are returned to our parish for use in our ministries.

**2012 Mass Book 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 2011 Book.