

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****Weekend of July 10/11**

4:00 PM + Vincent W. Brandys, Sr. (1st Anniv.) - Wife &amp; Children

8:00 AM + Zakrzewski Family - Frances &amp; Chester

9:45 AM + Walter Wojcik - Family

11:30 AM + Constance Ziak - Family

**Monday, July 12**

7:15 AM + Ed &amp; Ann Kotulski - Sisters

**Tuesday, July 13**

7:15 AM + Eugene A. Mezydlo - Rosemary Mezydlo

**Wednesday, July 14**

7:15 AM + Adele Korczak - Richard &amp; Helen Tomaszewski

**Thursday, July 15**

7:15 AM + Olga Pekala - Evelyn Twardosz

**Friday, July 16**

7:15 AM + Carole Bradich - Parents

**Saturday, July 17**

7:30 AM + Mary Smierciak - Grandchildren

4:00 PM + Edward Borowski - Wife

**Sunday, July 18**

8:00 AM + Mary A. Piaskowy (24th Anniv.) - Children

9:45 AM + Angeline Rzonca - Family

11:30 AM + Vincente Semprit - Adrienne Bonczak

**Week of July 11 - July 17**

**The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of**  
Casimir Lapinski - Family

**The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of**  
Casimir Lapinski - Family

**LECTORS****July, 2010**

4:00 PM	B. Frederisy
8:00 AM	R. Kopaczewski
9:45 AM	A. Simmons
11:30 AM	O. Guajardo

**ALTAR SERVERS****SATURDAY, July 17**

4:00 PM E. Echevarria, B. Echevarria, J. O'Keefe

**SUNDAY, July 18**

8:00 AM D. Ranos, N. Mooney

9:45 AM C. Haro, V. Velasco

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

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS****July, 2010**

4:00 PM

D. Karczewski

R. Abram

A. Bonczek

B. Frjelich

J. Gibbons

M. Cowperthwaite

8:00 AM

S. Jezior

M. Piaskowy

E. Podsiadlik

N. Moll

C. Michalik

P. Gadus

9:45 AM

K. Gibson

M. Czarobski

P. O'Rourke

P. Maccagnano

V. Maccagnano

L. Morse

11:30 AM

R. Oseguera

O. Cruz

**USHERS****July, 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,

11:30 AM

M. Gasior, M. Aducci  
F. Favela, J. Gonzalez,



## Sunday's Great Challenge

By Paul Turner

The great challenge of Sunday morning is so subtle you probably ignore it. It doesn't come from the alarm clock, which asks you to begin your life. It doesn't come from family or friends, who ask you the meaning of life. It doesn't come from the homilist, who asks you to reform your life.

No, it comes from the song leader, who says, "Please join in singing the opening hymn". The book of songs lies heavy in the rack.

"They want me to find #59? They want me to sing?"

There are many excuses not to sing. Perhaps you've used some of these yourself: 1) I never sing. This is like, "I don't do windows." In an age of specialization, you have to set limits. You get along perfectly well at work, in the marketplace, and at home without singing the refrain of "You Are There," so why start in church? 2) I don't know that song. This excuse is popular with people at home with the familiar. They exhibit withdrawal symptoms when their TV shows get canceled, and they never try to cook with a recipe that calls for more than three ingredients. 3) I can't stand that song leader. Ad hominum arguments are never logical but always popular. Have you sworn off shopping at a store because of a rude clerk? Have you written off a restaurant with a sloppy waiter? This excuse might appeal to you. 4) I can't read music. This argument holds that musicians live in a secret world and speak with their own vocabulary. Since musicians are eccentric anyway, you may not want to be mistaken for one.

However, there are also many reasons for taking the Sunday challenge from your local song leader. Consider the following: 1) Singing expresses our community. Any song - a hymn, a psalm, an acclamation - achieves what we come for: expressing our faith in community. Only music can draw our many voices together in one common voice, united in rhythm, pitch, and feeling. 2) Singing enhances religious experience. Like the rhythms on a dance floor, like the sounds of a live concert, music touches the spirit. To give ourselves over to singing is to let go of what keeps us selfish, and to involve our spirit with others. 3) Singing is beautiful. Yes, even your singing. People find God in beauty: in sunsets, in oceans, in fresh baked bread, in the beloved. Music is art, and its beauty reveals God. 4) Singing is prayer. Have you felt an emotion you couldn't put into words? Music may help. Even as we sing the words, the music itself is a prayer without words. Music has emotion, spirit, depth, and life.

If you find singing at Mass difficult, here are some practical suggestions: 1) Understand what you sing. Take some time to reflect on the words of the songs: They are our prayers, too. When you know the meaning you will sing with understanding. 2) Wonder why we're singing this song. Liturgists take time to choose the songs they invite us to sing. Ask yourself why this music may have been chosen for today's celebration. It will enrich your prayer. 3) Feel the spirit of the music. Composers write music to express how they feel about the text. Feel the spirit of the music beneath the words. 4) Listen as you sing. The sound of others singing will inspire you to sing, too. The song of the assembly is a unique religious event in our week.

Next time you walk into church, beware the song leader. You will soon hear the great challenge of your day. It's a challenge to love your neighbor with your voice, a challenge to let yourself go, a challenge to create something beautiful, a challenge to pray.

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**Registration forms can be found in church at the Welcome Table, in the plastic pockets near the entrances, in front of the ministers room and at the rectory.**



### **St. Florian** **Vacation Bible School** **July 19 - 23** **9AM-Noon**

The call to come together is beautifully woven into the key verse for **BAOBAB BLAST**. From here, kids will get together to listen to stories from both the old and new testaments. They will then be guided through a journey that ripples outward to let them explore their relationships and connection with God, family, friends, and the greater world. Each day will center on a carefully selected Bible verse to help further connect the Bible to their hearts and to their interactions in the world.

**BAOBAB BLAST** is centered on stories that demonstrate the importance of being an integral part of God's Great Get-Together. Kids will delight in learning these texts. The memory verses will roll off their tongues and across the vast expanse of the Savannah and out into the world. The daily theme words Trust, Love, Follow, Care and Share will resound loud and clear.

Mark your calendars for July 19 to July 23 from 9AM until Noon. Open to kids 4 to 10 yrs. old.

*"From east to west,  
the powerful Lord God  
has been calling  
together everyone on earth".  
(Psalm 50:1)*

## 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, 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, Marion Vargas, Martin Covarubias, Joseph B. Mistarz, Jr., Ed Ronczy, Policarpo Naya, Raquel Chavez, Genoveva Nateras, Peter Ladowski, Barry Piotrowski, Melissa Young, Judy Prokapeka, Rosie Dunmore, Helen Lesniewski, 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 - July 12

Reading Isaiah 1:10-17  
Gospel Matthew 10:24-11:1

### Tuesday - July 13 - St. Henry

Reading Isaiah 7:1-9  
Gospel Matthew 11:20-24

### Wednesday - July 14 - Bl. Kateri Tekakwitha

Reading Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16  
Gospel Matthew 11:25-27

### Thurs.—July 15 - St. Bonaventure

Reading Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19  
Gospel Matthew 11:28-30

### Friday - July 16 - Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Reading Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8  
Gospel Matthew 12:1-8

### Saturday - July 17

Reading Micah 2:1-5  
Gospel Matthew 12:14-21

### Sunday - July 18-16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Genesis 18:1-10a  
Reading II Colossians 1:24-28  
Gospel Luke 10:38-42

## In Remembrance

Celia Szumlas	June 29, 2010
Helen Lesniewski	July 3, 2010
Eugene Jendra	July 3, 2010

## Theology on Tap July 11 - Aug. 8, 2010

### A speaker and discussion series for women and men in their 20s and 30s, married and single

When was the last time you asked yourself, "What's the meaning behind this?"

This summer, 56 parishes and student centers and suburbs are opening their doors to young adults in search of meaning. For the 30th consecutive season, exciting speakers will present challenging information and lead thoughtful discussions about key young adult faith and relationship issues.

Theology-on-Tap begins on Sunday, July 11, and will be hosted on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (in Spanish) evenings for four consecutive weeks throughout the Chicagoland area.

Cardinal Francis George will host the finale celebration on **Sunday, Aug. 8th** Mass at Holy Name Cathedral at 3PM. The Picnic will be held after Mass at the cardinal's residence from 4:30—7:30PM.

In honor of this year being the 30th anniversary, all present and past participants of Theology-on-Tap are welcome at the Mass and Picnic Aug. 8th.

Complete details are available at:

[www.vamchicago.org](http://www.vamchicago.org) Or... contact Young Adult Ministry at 312-466-9473; [yam@yamchicago.org](mailto:yam@yamchicago.org)

## Book Rack Selections - July 2010



### 52 Saints to Pray With

by Jean Marie Hiesberger

### Men and Women - God Made Them

by Jean Vanier

### Contemplation and Mid-Life Crisis

by Rosemarie Carfagna, OSU

### Understanding Scriptures in a Healing Way

by Matthew Linn, Sheila Fabricant Linn and Dennis Linn

### That All May Be One

by Ernest Falardeau, SSS

### Song of the Nightingale

by Michael Ford

### Soul and Self

by Paul K. Fehrenbach

### Introducing the Catechism of the Catholic Church

edited by Bernard L. Marthaler

### Understanding Catholicism (Second Edition)

by Monica Hellwig

# St. Florian School Happenings . . .

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



### Register Now for our 2010 - 2011 School Year!

Registration for the 2010-2011 school year is now underway for 3 & 4 year old Preschool through Grade 8.

Check out our new lower tuition program!! Due to the limited summer hours for the school, please call the school at 773-646-2868 and leave a message or come to the rectory to obtain an information packet.

### 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.



### What is RCIA?

In some parishes, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is called "OCIA" of "Order of the Christian Initiation of Adults." Both names refer to the same thing; a series of rites, conducted in the context of learning about the faith and spiritual formation, through which a person is fully incorporated into the Body of Christ, the Church.

There are four stages in the RCIA: the Precatechumenate, or period of inquiry and evangelization; the Catechumenate, which is a time of serious and dedicated formation; the Period of Purification and Enlightenment, which coincides with Lent; and Mystagogy, which lasts from Easter to Pentecost. All of these stages are marked by distinct liturgical rites.

### For more information about RCIA:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Please return your request to Fr. Jim, bring to the rectory, or drop it in the collection basket. Someone will contact you.

### 2010 Annual Catholic Appeal - Debt Reduction Distribution

*Thank You!!*

As you may recall, St. Florian was selected as one of the parishes to participate in a debt reduction initiative as part of this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. All funds raised by our parish for the Appeal would be matched dollar for dollar by the Archdiocese and would then be applied against our parish debt. As of May 31, 2010 - \$13,130 has been received in pledge payments. We are pleased to report that the first installment of the distribution toward debt reduction has been applied in the amount of \$26,260. The second installment will be made mid-October and the final installment at the end of the 2010 Annual Catholic Appeal. These next two installments will be based on the actual pledge payment received - not on the pledges promised.

It is important that all pledges are fulfilled and payments are received in a timely manner in order for St. Florian to receive full credit towards our debt reduction. The total amount pledged for the 2010 Appeal was \$24,975. If all pledges are fulfilled, we could potentially receive a total of \$49,950 towards debt reduction.

We thank those who have supported our parish with their participation in this year's Annual Appeal. Please continue to keep current with your pledge payments. If your are in need of any assistance or have any questions, please call the rectory at 646-4877.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS July 3/4, 2010	
Sunday Envelopes	\$2,960.03
Loose	\$ 473.97
Energy Assistance	\$ 385.00
Actual Received vs.	\$2,819.00
Budgeted Goal	\$5,250.00
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 141.00
Maintenance	\$ 302.00
Children's Offering	\$ 60.29
Votives	\$ 443.00

**St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$202.00**  
**Barbeque** - The welcome and attention you give your friends and neighbors when you gather them in your backyard for a cookout is a sign of your hospitality. Your guests are appreciative and happy and you have a warm glow from the pleasure you give them.

**For Those Who Are Seeking Employment**

The 10th Ward Alderman's Office has a job listing book at their office. It is updated on a weekly basis. Please contact: Alderman John Pope, 10th Ward, at 3522 E. 106th St., Chicago, IL 60617 or call 773-721-1999. Business hours are 9AM to 6PM, Monday through Friday.

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 - PFC 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

*If you wish to have a family member added to this prayer list,*

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- July 11 Holy Name Golf Outing — 7:30AM Burnham, IL
- July 12 Young at Heart (KH) 1:00 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- July 13 Turbo Kick (Café) 6:30 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- July 14 Evangelization Mtg. (KH) 6:00
- July 15 Turbo Kick (Café) 6:30
- July 19-23 Vacation Bible School (KH) 9-12 Noon
- July 20 Turbo Kick (Café) 6:30
- July 21 Liturgy Mtg. (Rectory) 6:00
- July 22 Turbo Kick (Café) 6:30
- July 25 Holy Name Golf Outing — 8:30AM Oak Knoll, Crown Point, IN
- July 26 Faith Sharing (KH) 1:00 Florian Fest Mtg. (KH) 7:00

Be sure to join us!!  
**Florian Fest Planning Meeting**  
**Monday, July 26**  
**Konsowski Hall 7:00 PM**  
 It's time to get ready for another fabulous Fest! Please be sure to join us with your ideas and suggestions as we make plans for this year's Fest. We also ask each parish/school organization to send at least one or two members to the meeting. Everyone's help is needed and appreciated. See you there!

**St. Andrew's Summer Fest** - St. Andrew the Apostle Parish in Calumet City will be holding their annual **SummerFest** during the weekend of July 17/18 on the church grounds. Saturday's activities run from 6-11PM with music provided by Acme Musical D.J. Festivities will resume on Sunday from 2-9. Be sure to bring a lawn chair so you can sit back, relax and enjoy St. Andrew's traditional live Polka entertainment. An array of food items and beverages will be available for purchase to please a variety of tastes. Activities and games for kids and adults will take place during both days of the event.

**Bean Bag Tournament** - Catholic Charities Southwest Regional Services is hosting a bean bag tournament on Thurs., July 22, at the covered patio area at the Windy City Thunderbolts Stadium, 14011 S. Kenton, Crestwood, IL 60445. The cost is \$40 per person which includes ball park admission, tournament entry, food and non-alcoholic drinks for the night. \$20 includes above without tournament entry. The tournament starts at 6PM and the Thunderbolts game starts at 7PM. Must register by July 13th to participate in the tournament. **Proceeds will benefit the Catholic Charities St. Blasé Food Pantry in Summit, IL.** For more information, call 708-430-0428 or register online at [www.catholiccharities.net/bagstourney](http://www.catholiccharities.net/bagstourney).