

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekend of July 12/13

- 4:00 PM + Thomas Zurawski - Friends
 8:00 AM + Esther Rak - Russ & Jan Motkowicz
 + John M. Gargas - Family
 9:45 AM + Carole Bradich - Parents
 11:30 AM + Umberto Covarrubias - Sister

Monday, July 14

- 7:15 AM + Chester Cwik - Ann Kuffell & Sandra Poznecki

Tuesday, July 15

- 7:15 AM + Theodore F. Slusarczyk - Friends

Wednesday, July 16

- 7:15 AM + Joseph & Julia Kotulski - Daughters

Thursday, July 17

- 7:15 AM + Gladys Marlowe - Mike & Loretta Wopinski

Friday, July 18

- 7:15 AM + Freda Ciciora - Family

Saturday, July 19

- 7:30 AM + Angeline Debski - Family
 4:00 PM + Stella Daszkowski - Olga Povse

Sunday, July 20

- 8:00 AM + Leonard Klimek - Arlene Huss
 + Theresa Milewski - Daughter
 9:45 AM + Nellie Rzonca - Loretta Wopinski
 11:30 AM - For the Parishioners

Week of July 13 - July 19

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of
 Joseph Cap - Mr. & Mrs. Miceli

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
 Joseph Cap - Mr. & Mrs. Miceli

LECTORS July, 2008

- 4:00 PM L. Morse
 8:00 AM D. Karczewski
 9:45 AM K. Gibson
 11:30 AM O. Guajardo

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, July 19

4:00 PM N. Mooney, D. Ranos, B. Meyer

SUNDAY, July 20

8:00 AM G. Bonczek, T. DeCook, J. Gottardo
 9:45 AM A. Czarobski, L. Chocholek,
 E. Dejanovich
 11:30 AM M. Ortiz, M. Elizalde

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS July, 2008

4:00 PM

R. Abram
 A. Bonczek
 J. Gibbons
 M. Cowperthwaite
 M. Piaskowy
 B. Frjelich

8:00 AM

P. Gadus
 P. Maccagnano
 C. Motkowicz
 C. Michalik
 N. Moll
 C. Malone

9:45 AM

K. Gibson
 E. Boganski
 B. Peak
 S. Jezior
 M. Czarobski
 P. O'Rourke

11:30 AM

O. Cruz
 A. Davila

USHERS July, 2008

4:00 PM

P. Orzelski, C. Cowperthwaite,
 P. Krasinski, E. Pindara

8:00 AM

C. Zakrzewski, A. Wopinski,
 T. Nester, A. Jasek,
 M. Noworyta, J. Shanahan,
 A. Bruder,

9:45 AM

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

A Jubilee Year for St. Paul

We will continue to take a meditative look at St. Paul's life in a variety of ways. Each reflection concludes with a prayer. We hope these reflections throughout the summer provide a good way to relax and enjoy one of Christianity's greatest convert: St. Paul

Paul, Servant of the Gospel

Paul acknowledges that his labors in preaching the Gospel are not a reason for him to boast, but a duty rooted in his Christian call. He *must* preach Christ with all his strength, whether the circumstances are favorable or unfavorable. Having received the gift of faith, Paul sets out on a lifelong adventure to bring the message of salvation to as many as will hear him, and that is his joy.

LET US PRAY

Saint Paul, help us to recognize that, as members of the Church, we also share in her mission and must witness to Christ through holy lives and works of justice and charity.

Pray with Pope Benedict XVI

Dear Lord,

We pray for every young person at World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia. Lord, enkindle the fire of divine love in thousands of young people and render them sowers of hope for a new humanity!

We also pray that there may be an increase in the number of those who serve the Christian community with generous and prompt availability. Give us your heart of generosity, Lord!

Hail Mary . . .



Questions for Reflection on Today's Scriptures

Isaiah 55:10-11

Romans 8:18-23

Matthew 13:1-23

A farmer went out to sow some seed.

- What are the many good things that water accomplishes in our world? In what ways does water destroy? Why is water an especially good representative of God's word?
- Why is suffering valuable? How can suffering be an important part of human life? How have you suffered? How does the world suffer? What keeps you going, even though suffering exists?
- What sort of soil do you provide for the seed that is God's word? What do the fruits you yield tell you and the world? What sort of soil would you prefer to be? What must you do to prepare the soil?

ST. FLORIAN'S MISSION STATEMENT

We are Roman Catholics of prayer, service and long-standing tradition guided by the spirit to meet the direct needs of our parishioners and neighboring communities in a demanding social environment.

We strive to achieve a sense of justice, responsibility, prayerfulness, communication and unity by providing:

- All individuals the opportunity of receiving Sacraments;
- The proper educational environment—spiritually, morally, academically;
- A channel for corporal works of mercy; and
- A time and place for social gathering and fellowship.

Our goals and objectives will be accomplished through encouraging active participation in dialogue, evangelization, stewardship, prayer and love.

We pray for . . .

Helen Golden, John Noworyta, 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, Frank Zak, Pauline Pedersen, Beth Lasseter, Chestine Trzupiek, Patricia Manley, Thomas Frain, Adele Novak, Laurie Ferry, Irma Bulatovich, Alicia Davila, Sophie Borowiec, Mark Biel, Olga Pekala, 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, Ace Gargas, Martha Kowalkowski, Paul Sherman, Michael Auld, Virginia Bovino, Alice Sawadski, Alice Szajerski, 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, Gerald Haney, Rose Szczepanik, Helen Krupinski, John Grzyb 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:

Charles Anderson
John Palilunas

June 27, 2008
July 1, 2008



How Long Does It Take?

There is no set time period for the process of becoming a Catholic. Different parishes and dioceses may set their own timetables. However, the Church makes clear that what is important is not meeting a schedule, but instead ensuring adequate preparation. Some may require more, some less, depending on their spiritual readiness. Whatever precedes it, though, the Sacraments of Initiation should normally be celebrated during the Easter Vigil.

The Precatechumenate

The Precatechumenate is also called "the inquiry stage" in many parishes. For individuals, this is the stage when they may first contact the parish about their interest and start attending inquiry sessions or meeting privately with a priest or a catechist. For some who have engaged in their own study or attended Mass attentively and regularly, the Precatechumenate might last months. For others who have little background in Catholicism or Christianity in general, more time might be needed.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday - July 14 - Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha

Reading Isaiah 1:10-17
Gospel Matthew 10:34-11:1

Tuesday - July 15 - St. Bonaventure

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

Wed. - July 16 - Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Reading Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-6
Gospel Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday - July 17

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

Friday - July 18 - St. Camillus de Lellis

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

Sat.—July 19

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

Sunday - July 20 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
Reading II Romans 8:26-27
Gospel Matthew 13:24-43

For more information:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

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

St. Florian School Happenings . . .

visit us at our website!

<http://florian.hegewisch.net>

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2008 - 2009 Registration!

Registration for the 2008-2009 school year is now underway for 3 & 4 year old Preschool and Grades K-8. For further information, please contact the school office at 773/646-2868.

Office Closed until August 10
Office Reopens on Monday, Aug. 11
from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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.

50th Wedding Anniversary Mass at Holy Name Cathedral

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held at Holy Name Cathedral on Sunday, Sept. 7, at 2:30 PM. Couples married in 1958 who are interested in attending this celebration may contact the rectory (646-4877). For further information call the Family Ministries at (312-751-8351) or visit the website: www.familyministries.org.



FLORIAN FEST

Sunday - October 5, 2008

Please join us for our next Fest meeting on Tuesday, July 15th at 7:00 PM in Konsowski Hall.

We are once again calling all volunteers to come out and share their thoughts and ideas. Proceeds from the Fest are seriously needed to sustain the well being of both our church and school and everyone's help is needed.

We look forward to seeing many of you at our planning meeting. Please don't hesitate to join us!

PRIZES & SPONSORS NEEDED!!

We're asking parish and school organizations, societies and ministries, and everyone else to donate items for prizes OR consider being a sponsor!

Items for prize baskets are always appreciated but perhaps you may find it easier to make a donation instead. Please consider being a sponsor in order to assist with the Fest expenses such as for the band or DJ, catering, etc. Please contact the rectory for more information.

If you choose to donate a prize, please be sure all items are new and unused. Donations may be dropped off at the Rectory during business hours. Please be sure to indicate the value of the item if possible so that we may categorize the raffle prizes accordingly. We'll also have a mystery booth with miscellaneous items of varied value — so let your imagination soar!



Please Help!

We need your home cooked meals!

One of our school moms here in Hegewisch is having health concerns and could use a little help feeding her family of 7. If you would be willing to cook a meal just once a month or once a week it would really help her out. This would then allow her to get some rest and try to heal instead of using her time and energy to cook. Any and all volunteers may contact Sherri at 708/444-1089 or e-mail shamilton70@aol.com for more information. Thank you in advance for your help!

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

July 5/6, 2008

Sunday Envelopes	\$2,690.00
Loose	\$ 342.46
Energy Assistance	\$ 338.00
Actual Received	\$3,370.46
(vs. Budgeted Goal)	\$5,250.00)
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 160.00
Maintenance	\$ 317.00
Children's Offering	\$ 24.45
Votives	\$ 169.05
Aunt Martha's Rent	\$4,156.00

St Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$177.72

Barbeque - The welcome and attention you give 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.

There are others who just as truly are your guests though you have never met them. They are the ones who share your hospitality each time you make a contribution in the St. Vincent de Paul Boxes. Thank you for this sign of your hospitality.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- July 13 Holy Name Golf Outing - 7:30 AM
Burnham, IL
- July 14 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
- July 15 E.S.L. Classes (Gym 2nd Fl) 6:30
Fest Mtg (KH) 7:00
- July 17 E.S.L. Classes (Gym 2nd Fl) 6:30
- July 21 Young at Heart (KH) 1:00
- July 22 E.S.L. Classes (Gym 2nd Fl) 6:30
- July 23 SVDP Pantry (KH) 3:00
- July 24 E.S.L. Classes (Gym 2nd Fl) 6:30
- July 27 Holy Name Golf Outing - 9:00 AM
Oak Knoll - Crown Pt., IN
- July 28 Faith Sharing (KH) 1:00
- July 28-Aug. 1 Vacation Bible School (KH) 9:00-12:00
- July 30 Liturgy Mtg. (Rectory) 6:00



2009 Mass Book

Our 2009 Mass Book is now open. You may book Masses at the Rectory during office hours (Mon-Thurs from 9:00AM—7:00PM and Fridays from 9:00AM—3:00PM).

We also have some Sunday and weekday intentions available in our 2008 Mass Book.



**July 28 - August 1
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

*Are your children ready for a
Rainforest Adventure?*

Summer is just around the corner and here at St. Florian we're planning an exciting Catholic Vacation Bible School for your kids! This fun filled Vacation Bible School is for everyone between the ages of 4 and 10. The adventure begins on Mon., July 28 and continues through Friday, Aug. 1. Sessions run from 9:00AM to 12:00PM each day. The cost is \$15.00 per child. This covers all materials and snacks.

Set in a canopy of a vibrant and exciting rainforest environment, this lively VBS program will engage your kids as they discover that everyone can do their part to care for God's creation. Through kid-friendly Bible stories that emphasize stewardship, combined with a jungle of hands-on, fun filled activities, at Rainforest Adventure kids will learn that it is fun and faithful to share the good news of Jesus' love for everyone.

For more information or to register for VBS, come to the St. Florian Rectory office between the hours of 2:00PM and 8:00PM Monday through Thursday or call 773-646-4877 and leave a message.

Please pray for our

Service Members:



- LCpl 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, 2nd 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, PVT David Cook - U.S. Army

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