

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Weekend of July 26/27**

- 4:00 PM + Ed Borowski - Wife
 8:00 AM + Deceased Members of the Zakrzewski Family
 - Birthday Blessings for Gene - Sister
 9:45 AM + Jim Morse - Family
 11:30 AM - For the Parishioners

Monday, July 28

- 7:15 AM + Joseph Cap - E. Paszkiewicz

Tuesday, July 29

- 7:15 AM + Sylvia Krupa - Children

Wednesday, July 30

- 7:15 AM + Angeline Debski - Olga Pekala

Thursday, July 31

- 7:15 AM + Joanne Zroka - Friend, Bernice Renko

Friday, August 1

- 7:15 AM + Stephanie Lickus - Doris & Vivian

Saturday, August 2

- 7:30 AM + Krystyna Abram - John & Adrienne
 4:00 PM + Stella Daszkowski - Olszewski Family

Sunday, August 3

- 8:00 AM + Mary Mistarz - Son & Grandchildren
 + John Krupa - Children
 9:45 AM + Dorothy Orzelski - Friends & Family
 11:30 AM - For the Parishioners

Week of July 27 - August 2

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of
 Sylvia Krupa - Children

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
 Sylvia Krupa - Children

LECTORS
August, 2008

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

ALTAR SERVERS**SATURDAY, August 2**

- 4:00 PM G. Bonczek, J. Brajkovich, E. Dejanovich

SUNDAY, August 3

- 8:00 AM J. Carlassare, L. Chocholek, T. DeCook
 9:45 AM D. Ranos, B. Meyer, J. Gottardo
 11:30 AM M. Elizalde, M. Ortiz, N. Mooney

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
August, 2008

4:00 PM

- R. Abram
 E. Boganski
 B. Peak
 M. Cowperthwaite
 M. Piaskowy
 B. Frjelich

8:00 AM

- P. Gadus
 E. Podsiadlik
 D. Karczewski
 J. Gibbons
 N. Moll
 C. Malone

9:45 AM

- K. Gibson
 C. Michalik
 P. Maccagnano
 S. Jezior
 M. Czarobski
 P. O'Rourke

11:30 AM

- O. Cruz
 A. Davila

USHERS
August, 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, A Concerned Father

Paul's work among the various Christian communities did not end with his preaching there. Through his letters, in which he addressed the Christians he had taught, Paul reveals his tender heart. Paul wishes the best for those whom he has begotten as his "children" through the proclamation of God's saving message. Paul's greatest concern is their spiritual welfare, and his greatest desire is that they persevere in living the message they received.

LET US PRAY

Saint Paul, help us to make our lives a worthy hymn of praise to the glory of the Trinity by faithfully adhering to the Gospel..

Bringing Up the Gifts

PAUL TURNER



At the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the bread, wine, and offerings for the church and the poor are brought to the altar. Sometimes the bread and wine are placed on the credence table before Mass. In this case, a minister brings them to the altar at the preparation of the gifts. More commonly the bread and wine are placed near the door of the church before Mass. They may be brought up in procession to the altar.

The procession should include just primary symbols. Other elements, such as the water, bowl, towel, and chalice should be in place before Mass. The procession of the gifts is not a setting of the credence table. It begins the preparation of the offerings for Mass.

Similarly, symbolic tokens that will be retrieved and put back into use after the liturgy should not be brought up in procession. Textbooks, sports paraphernalia, and hobbies, for example, might be arranged to catch the eye upon entering the church for a school Mass, but they are not the gifts of the Eucharist.

Gifts are brought up in procession by "the faithful," who hand them to the priest or deacon (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal 73*). After handing them over, some people make the sign of the cross, genuflect, bow, or do none of the above. The GIRM gives no instruction about what to do. The *Ceremonial of Bishops* says, "A deep bow is made to the altar by all who enter the sanctuary (chancel), leave it, or pass before the altar" (72). It would be most appropriate if those who bring up the gifts made a profound bow to the altar just before returning to their places.

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We encourage parishioners when asked by the ushers to bring up the gifts.

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 Trzuppek, Patricia Manley, Thomas Frain, 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, Christen White, 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 28

Reading Jeremiah 13:1-11
Gospel Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday - July 29 - St. Martha

Reading Jeremiah 14:17-22
Gospel John 11:19-27

Wed. - July 30 - St. Peter Chrysologus

Reading Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21
Gospel Matthew 13: 44-46

Thursday - July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola

Reading Jeremiah 18:1-6
Gospel Matthew 13:47-53

Friday - August 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori

Reading Jeremiah 26:1-9
Gospel Matthew 13:54-58

Sat. - August 2 - St. Eusebius & St. Peter Eymard

Reading Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24
Gospel Matthew 14:1-12

Sunday - Aug. 3 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Isaiah 55:1-3
Reading II Romans 8:35, 37-39
Gospel Matthew 14:13-21

In remembrance . . .

Ernest J. Wesolek July 19, 2008
Mary Dubiel July 19, 2008



Questions for Reflection on Today's Scriptures

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12
Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52

The reign of God is like a buried treasure

- Why does the first reading locate wisdom and understanding in the "heart," while we tend to see these things as functions of the head? What difference does it make whether wisdom is a matter of head or heart?
- Why does Catholic teaching insist upon human freedom? Why are our choices important? How can we exercise our freedom wisely?
- What do you have to do to become learned in the reign of God? How does this learning differ from other forms of learning? Why is it important?

Who Are They?



People involved in the RCIA process are either catechumens or candidates.

Catechumens are those who have never been baptized. Candidates are those who have been baptized in other Christian Denominations, whose baptism is recognized as valid. There are special rites for unbaptized children who have reached the age of reason and are seeking to become Catholics. Many parishes also adapt some of the elements of the RCIA for those who were baptized in the Catholic Church but never learned or practiced their faith.

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.

FLORIAN FEST

Sunday - October 5, 2008

Food! *Something for Everyone!*
Fun!
Music!
Games!
Raffles!

Bean Bag Tournament!

LOOKING FOR SPONSORS & PRIZES!

Can you help? We're asking parish and school organizations, societies and ministries, local businesses and everyone else to support the Fest. We invite you to either donate prizes for our raffles or perhaps consider being a sponsor to offset our expenses. Areas that need sponsorship include:

- The cost of the Band and/or DJ
- Kid's Games
- Food & Bar expenses
- Table/Chair rentals

In appreciation, sponsors will be recognized in our program book.

We also need prizes! Please be sure all items are new and unused and marked with their value. Donations may be dropped off at the Rectory during business hours.

New this year — our Mystery Booth!

Consider donating miscellaneous items of varied value — let your imagination soar!

Please call Kathy Keene (646-4877) if you have any questions or need information about becoming a sponsor.

Next meeting: Aug. 19 at 7:00 PM in Konsowski Hall

Catholic Programs to Promote Stronger Marriages

Teams of Our Lady (www.teamsofourlady.org) is an international program consisting of small groups of five to seven couples and a spiritual counselor. The goal of the groups is to help each other grow spiritually through prayer and study, to increase communication between spouses through in-depth discussions, and to incorporate the Catholic faith into their daily lives. In addition to small group meetings, couples agree to participate in daily prayer, Scripture reading, a plan for personal improvement and regular discussions about family and spiritual matters.

Retrouvaille (www.retrouvaille.org) is a weekend program followed by 6 to 12 sessions during the next three months. The program is designed for couples who feel as if the love in their marriage is dying. They learn new ways to communicate and new ways to rediscover the love between them.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

July 19/20, 2008

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,621.00
Loose	\$ 421.77
Energy Assistance	\$ 60.00
Actual Received	\$4,102.77
(vs. Budgeted Goal)	\$5,250.00)
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 125.00
Maintenance	\$ 90.00
Children's Offering	\$ 17.00
Votives	\$ 152.71

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 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
- Aug. 7 Evangelization Mtg. (KH) 6:30
- Aug. 10 Holy Name Golf Outing - 9:00 AM
Summertree - Crown Pt., IN
- Aug. 11 Ministers of Care (Rectory) 7:00
- Aug. 12 Golden Agers (KH) 1:00

St Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$54.40

We Are Waiting - To help someone or family who is out of work and needs assistance. Maybe it's only a temporary setback. Call the Rectory and ask to speak to a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



Summertime Energy Expenses: Please be mindful when using your Energy envelopes during the summer months. As we all know, running the air conditioning can lead to a very costly electric bill. Please be as generous as you are able so that we may continue to provide a cool and comfortable Church this summer.

Are you tired of flooded basements and streets?

Come out and learn about *Green Solutions to Storm Water Issues* on Tuesday, Aug. 5, from 7-8PM at the SETF Office, 13300 S. Baltimore Ave. A speaker from the Center for Neighborhood Technology will talk about environmentally safe ways to deal with storm water issues. Learn simple things you can do at home and in your neighborhood to reduce the amount of flooding as well as big projects that have proven to be very successful. For more information please call 646-0436.



School Supply Drive—St. Columba Parish is sponsoring a School Drive to help obtain school items for families with children in the neighborhood living on a limited income. Receptacles are located

in the back of church. The supplies will be distributed to the children by the Hegewisch Community Center before the new school year begins. Suggested donations of school items include: pocket dictionaries, #2 pencils, notebook paper, glue sticks, crayons, markers, pocket folders, rulers, pencil cases, etc. Please call St. Columba at 646-2660 for any further information or a complete list of supplies. Thank you for your help and generosity!

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, 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.

Kevinfest - Come and enjoy Kevinfest on Aug. 2 at St. Kevin Parish, 10509 S. Torrence. The day will be full of food, games, music, raffles. Music will include "The Business" at 5:00. For further information call the rectory at 773/721-2563.

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!