

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekend of September 10/11

- 4:00 PM + Eugene Sr. & Eugene Jr. Zralka - Evelyn & Helen
 8:00 AM - 85th Birthday Blessings for Ceil Motkowicz
 9:45 AM + Walter, Mary, & Bill Opiola - Ranos Family
 11:30 AM + Miguel, Edermira Y Vincente Semprit - Alicia Davila

Monday, September 12

- 7:15 AM + Vincent Ginalski - Friends

Tuesday, September 13

- 7:15 AM + Stella Kwinta - Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren

Wednesday, September 14

- 7:15 AM + Helen Zurawski - Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren

Thursday, September 15

- 7:15 AM + Frank & Bronis Nowak - Sophie Urban

Friday, September 16

- 8:15 AM + Lorraine Chiechanowski - Lee Morse

Saturday, September 17

- 7:30 AM + Stella Stolarz - Ceil Motkowicz
 4:00 PM + Stephan Grabowski - Catherine Evans

Sunday, September 18

- 8:00 AM + Theresa Sosnowski - Daughters
 9:45 AM + Lino Chavez - Family
 11:30 AM + Serafin Gonzalez - Family

Wedding Bann:

Matthew Kalmes & Sarah Kozlowski

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS September 2011

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

Week of September 11 - September 17

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of
 Stella Stolarz - Family

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
 Vincent Ginalski - Friend

LECTORS

September 2011

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

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, September 17

4:00 PM M. Bensett, B. Echevarria, N. Mooney

SUNDAY, September 18

8:00 AM D. Gackowski, N. Meduga, R. Robles
 9:45 AM K. Best, A. Shea, C. Haro
 11:30 AM X. Gutierrez, M. Ortiz

USHERS September 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, J. Young
- 9:45 AM E. Lihota, G. Slusarczyk,
 K. Podgorny, R. Furman,
 T. Baker, M. Gasior, M. Aducci
- 11:30 AM R. Manriquez, J. Gonzalez
 M. Suarez

New Words.

Deeper Meaning.

Same Mass.

Celebrating the Lord's Day

On Sunday, we gather as the Body of Christ to celebrate the Lord's Day, the day of Christ's Resurrection:

As "the first day of the week" (Mk 16:2) it recalls the first creation; and as the "eighth day," which follows the sabbath, it symbolizes the new creation ushered in by the Resurrection of Christ. Thus, it has become for Christians the first of all days and of all feasts. It is the *day of the Lord* in which he with his Passover fulfilled the spiritual truth of the Jewish Sabbath and proclaimed man's eternal rest in God. (*Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 452)

The Scriptures tell us that Jesus rose on the first day of the week—the day following the Jewish Sabbath. Shortly after day-break, the women found the tomb empty and Jesus risen from the dead. Jesus' death and Resurrection opened for us the doors of salvation. Sharing in Jesus' death in Baptism, we hope to share in his Resurrection. We become a new creation in Christ.

Each Sunday is a "little Easter"—a celebration of the central mysteries of our faith.

THE SUNDAY EUCHARIST

The primary way in which we celebrate the Lord's Day is with our participation in the Sunday Eucharist. What better way to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord than by celebration of the memorial of his Passion, death, and Resurrection?

This celebration is not a solitary, private event. Instead, we come together as the People of God, the Church, to worship with one heart and one voice. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) teaches that "participation in the communal celebration of the Sunday Eucharist is a testimony of belonging and of being faithful to Christ and to his Church" (CCC, no. 2182).

When members of our church community are absent from this gathering, they are missed. No member of the faithful should be absent from the Sunday Eucharist without a serious reason. The Liturgy should be the first thing on Sunday's schedule, not the last. We should arrive on time, prepared in mind and heart to fully participate in the Mass. Those who cannot attend because of illness or the need to care for infants or the sick deserve our prayers and special attention.

Often, people will suggest that going to Sunday Mass is not necessary. After all, they can pray at home just as well.

Private prayer, though essential to the spiritual life, can never replace the celebration of the eucharistic Liturgy and the reception of Holy Communion.

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Next week: Keeping Sunday—All Day

*We Remember
on the
Tenth Anniversary*



We Remember Them

in the rising of the sun
and in it going down

We remember them

in the blowing of the wind
and in the chill of winter

We remember them

in the opening of buds
and in the warmth of summer

We remember them

when we are weary,
and in need of strength

We remember them

when we are lost,
and sick of heart

We remember them

when we have joys
we yearn to share

We remember them

so long as we live,
they too shall live,
for they are now a part of us
as we remember them.

**Bring Your Cross
to Church**



On Wednesday, September 14th, we celebrate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. On this day, we invite all of our parishioners to bring their crosses to church so that they may be blessed. All of us have several of them in our homes, whether they are hanging on the walls, our necks, or other places. They can be near family members who are seriously sick or just above our children's beds. If any are lacking crosses, this might be the time to purchase one. The cross is the most important Christian icon of our faith. Join us this Wednesday, at the 7:15 morning Mass for this special blessing and take a closer look at the crosses we have in church.

— Fr. Jim and the Liturgy Committee

We pray for . . .



Debra Mokrzycki, Charlotte Frjelic, 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 Lasse-ter, 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, Bob Konecek, Martha Kowalkowski, Paul Sherman, Michael Auld, Rosa Guadalupe Guajardo, Jim & Ann Cummings, Dennis Grzyb, 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, Helen & John Larson, Irene Stincic, Eleanor Wiencek, Michelle Kendra, Shirley Ostrowski, Marlene Kubiak, Maryann Henney, Paul & Pat Pirowski, Joe Moncada, Christine Michalik, Alfonso Soto, Dianne Williams, Allysa Garcia, Helen Hennessy, 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 - Sept. 12 - The Most Holy Name of Mary

Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Gospel Luke 7:1-10

Tuesday - Sept. 13 - St. John Chrysostom

Reading 1 Timothy 3:1-3

Gospel Luke 7:11-17

Wednesday - Sept. 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Reading I Numbers 21:4b-9

Reading II Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel John 3:13-17

Thurs. - Sept. 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

Reading 1 Timothy 4:12-16

Gospel John 19:25-27

Friday - Sept. 16 - St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian

Reading 1 Timothy 6:2c-12

Gospel Luke 8:1-3

Saturday - Sept. 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine

Reading 1 Timothy 6:13-16

Gospel Luke 8:4-15

Sunday - Sept. 18 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Isaiah 55:6-9

Reading II Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16a

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

September 18 - 9:45 a.m. Mass

What is this year's theme of Catechetical Sunday?
"Do This in Memory of Me."

How Do We Celebrate It?

By having our catechists and the students' families come together at the 9:45 a.m. Mass. Besides a blessing to our catechists on Sunday, parents and guardians will also receive a special blessing.

Who are our catechists for this year?

Faculty Members: Deborah Poturalski, Diane Nowacki, Lynn Mitchell, Linda Newell, Emily Yovich, Pat Maccagnano, Liz Holman, JoAnn Kijewski, Mary Pat Bertrand

Faith Sharing Leaders: Loretta Wopinski, Adrienne Bonczek, Olivia Guajardo, Joan Gibbons

Sacramental Preparation: Reesie Noworyta, Rosa Oseguera, Peg Gadus

Religious Education Teachers: Pat Maccagnano, Rochelle Slater, Sandy Jezior, Cindy Malone, Antonette Slater, Marta Haro, Christina Haro, Maricela Haro

- Fr. Jim and the Catechists of
 St. Florian School, CCD, and Parish

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION!



Sign up through Sept. 29 at the Rectory
 Mon., Tues., or Thurs. from 2:30-6:00

Registration for religious and sacramental preparation will take place during the month of August at the rectory, 13145 S. Houston Ave., Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 pm to 6:00 pm. A registration form must be completed for each student before they can be admitted to class.

Registration for Sacramental preparation - First Reconciliation (Confession), First Holy Communion, and Confirmation: A CANDIDATE MUST HAVE 2 CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TO RECEIVE ANY SACRAMENT. To register: a copy of the baptismal certificate and the sacramental fee are required. (Confirmation candidates check your packets for more information.) If you are unable to register during the time listed above, please call Peg at 773-646-4877 and we can make other arrangements. Registration will be closed as of Thurs., September 29, 2011.

St. Florian School Happenings . . .



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

Registrations still being accepted for the 2011 - 2012 School Year!

We're still accepting registrations for our 3 & 4 year-old Preschool class as well as Grades Kdg.—8th. Please stop in the school office or call us at 773-646-2868.

Aluminum Can Recycling - Please bring your aluminum cans to the school parking lot on Wednesday, Oct. 5th, by 8 AM.

Market Day - Pick-up on Friday, Sept. 16th in the School Gym. Thanks for your support!

Parents Club Meeting - Monday, Sept. 19th, at 6:30 PM in Konsowski Hall.



BINGO begins
Sunday, September 11th
Doors open at 1:30
Games begin at 2:30
in the gym at 131st & Houston

Regular games will be played as well as raffle games such a "U-Pick-'Em, a CoverAll Game, and "Second Chance Roll-over". If you're new to Bingo it doesn't matter, within minutes you'll know the difference between a 9-pack and a Crazy L!

The payouts are good and increase as more players join. As always, St. Florian Bingo features free coffee for our players in a safe non-smoking environment. Refreshments are available for a low fee. For more information, contact the School office at 646-2868 or e-mail us at st.florian.school@gmail.com

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.

Florian Fest Sunday - October 2, 2011 11:00AM - 8:00 PM

Great Food, Prizes, and Fun for All!

Doors open at 11:00 AM
(Join us right after the 9:45 AM Mass!)

Ampol-Aires Polka Band 12:00 - 4:00
with a special appearance by
"The Dancing Busia's"

The Bed Bugs Band 4:30 - 8:00
*Enjoy some great rock 'n roll music
along with hits by Johnny Cash & Patsy Cline!*

SPONSORS: We will gladly accept monetary donations to reduce our Fest expenses for food and bar supplies, music, kid's games, table and chair rentals, ticket printing, etc. Please call Kathy Keene at 646-4877 for further information.

PRIZES: Prizes are needed! New and unused items are requested. Suggestions include gift cards, bath & beauty products, linens, towels, housewares, sporting goods, children's items, games, jewelry, electronics, cooking and baking supplies, CD's, DVD's, auto supplies, etc. etc.

BAKED GOODS: Spread the word and the recipes for some delicious treats for our Bake Sale. We can store items in our freezers until the Fest.

RAFFLE TICKETS: Don't forget to pick up your raffle tickets in the back of Church. Please deliver raffle envelopes to any friends, relatives or neighbors you may know who are unable to come to Church.

WORKERS: Be sure to fill out your volunteer sheets. Many helping hands are needed - even a couple hours of your time will be greatly appreciated!

WORKER (AND COMMITTEE) MEETING:

Monday, Sept. 26th at 7PM in Konsowski Hall
Attn: All workers—please be sure to attend. A committee meeting will follow.

Prizes, monetary donations and baked goods can be brought to the rectory during business hours Monday-Friday. Please call Kathy Keene at 646-4877 in you have any questions.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS
September 3/4, 2011

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,025.68
Loose	\$ 375.30
Energy Assistance	\$ 299.00
Children's Offering	\$ 50.93
Maintenance	\$ 606.03
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 160.45
Votives	\$ 129.00

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$162.00

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an international Catholic organization of lay persons, founded in 1833 by Frederic Ozanam and his companions. In the spirit of justice and charity, its members seek to help those who are in need

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive - General Pulaski Council #3323 Knights of Columbus will be having their 42nd Annual Tootsie Roll Drive on September 16th through the 18th for people with Intellectual Disabilities. All donations will benefit those afflicted people in our community. Anyone interested in working for this very worthy cause may contact Gene Slusarczyk at 773-418-2260 or 219-365-4307.

Please pray for our
Service Members:



Sgt. 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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sept. 11	Bingo (Gym) Doors open 1:30 Rosary Sodality (KH) 1:30
Sept. 12	Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
Sept. 13	Athletic Mtg. (School) 9:00 VFW Mtg. (KH) 5:00 Coaches Mtg. (PMR) 7:00 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
Sept. 14	Daisies (KH) 4:30 Evangelization Mtg. (KH) 6:00
Sept. 17/18	K of C Tootsie Roll Drive
Sept. 18	Bingo (Gym) Doors open 1:30
Sept. 19	Young at Heart (KH) 1:00 Parents Club (KH) 6:30
Sept. 20	School Advisory Board (Rectory) 6:00

Ladies Rosary Sodality - The Ladies Rosary Sodality meeting will be held on Sunday, September 11th at 1:30PM in Konsowski Hall. Member are encouraged to attend.

De Colores!!! - El movimiento de curisillos de cristianidad de la diócesis de gary IN. Le saluda y le invita a difundir la maravillosa noticia de que se llevara a cabo un curisillo para **Mujere el día 15 al, 18 de Septiembre Y de Hombres el día 3 al, 6 de Noviembre** en el Spiritual Life Center, 1445 S. Hoffman St. Hammond, IN.

Marian Catholic High School Band - The Marian High School Band Parents Association if looking for crafters for the 30th Annual Oktoberfest at MCHS on Sunday, October 9, 2011. For more information, call Lisa Collins at 708-502-5472.

Bishop Noll High School presents Saints & Sinners by Vicki Quade (from the writer of Late Nite Catechism) on Saturday, October 1st. Dessert/Coffee Bar Reception will take place from 7PM to 7:45PM. Showtime is at 8PM in the School Auditorium. Ticket cost is \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. For more info contact: Cathy Pizana at 708-243-0398 or email cathy.pizana@gmail.com or Kathy Wade at 708-833-1299 or email kWade@mayerbrown.com.

Torrence Avenue Bridge Construction: The Chicago Dept. of Transportation is rebuilding the historic Torrence Avenue bridge over the Calumet River. The vertical lift bridge was built in 1938. After more than the seven decades, the aging structure requires a complete restoration. There are two separate structures—one roadway, one railway. The city will rehab the roadway bridge, including the steel structure and all mechanical and electrical machinery and paint the structure. The bridge work will occur with the structure in the up position, about 120 feet in the air, to facilitate access to the structure. Work begins Monday, September 12, 2011. Project completion is Fall 2012.