

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Weekend of September 13/14**

- 4:00 PM + Helen Hujda - Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Kownacki
 8:00 AM + Helen Gasiiecki - Mike & Loretta Wopinski
 + John M. Gargas - Family
 9:45 AM + Bernice Pachura (11th Anniv.) - Diane & Dan
 11:30 AM - For the Parishioners

Monday, September 15

- 7:15 AM + Rose & Ted Kolke and Ed Lis - Stan & Helen Lis

Tuesday, September 16

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

Wednesday, September 17

- 7:15 AM + Joseph Cap - C. Zakrzewski

Thursday, September 18

- 7:15 AM + Vickie L. Peiffer - James Wilfinger

Friday, September 19

- 8:15 AM + Sally Slavik - Lee Ann Kasper

Saturday, September 20

- 7:30 AM + Louis J. Opiola - Diane Ranos & Lori Armstrong
 4:00 PM + Deceased Members of Ladies Rosary Sodality

Sunday, September 21

- 8:00 AM + Busia Cap - Family
 + Rudolph Premetz (11th Anniv.) - Family
 9:45 AM + Carole Bradich - Parents
 11:30 AM + Amparo Escobedo Cornejo (6 month anniv.) - Family

Week of September 14 - September 20

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of
 Irv & Helen Schmidt - Dorothy Majersky

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
 Robert Karczewski - Lenckos Family

LECTORS
September, 2008

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| 4:00 PM | A. Simmons |
| 8:00 AM | L. Wopinski |
| 9:45 AM | P. Gadus |
| 11:30 AM | C. Ramirez |

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, September 20

- 4:00 PM E. Echevarria, B. Echevarria, J. Gottardo

SUNDAY, September 21

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
September, 2008

4:00 PM

- R. Abram
 A. Bonczek
 D. Karczewski
 M. Cowperthwaite
 J. Gibbons
 B. Frjelich

8:00 AM

- S. Jezior
 E. Boganski
 B. Peak
 P. Gadus
 N. Moll
 M. Piaskowy

9:45 AM

- C. Malone
 C. Michalik
 P. Maccagnano
 L. Morse
 M. Czarobski
 P. O'Rourke

11:30 AM

- R. Oseguera
 A. Davila

USHERS
September, 2008

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| 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 Big Thank You!!!

A note of appreciation and thanks to all the parishioners of St. Florian for your prayers, cards, and kind words during my surgery and recovery. It was good to see all of you last weekend at the Masses. My special thanks to all the priests who celebrated Mass and baptisms during the time of my recovery. Continue to keep me in your prayers and I will keep you in mine. Glad to be back.

- Fr. Jim

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

September 21st - 9:45 a.m. Mass

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

What is this year's theme of Catechetical Sunday?

"The Word of God in the Life and Mission of the Church."

On Catechetical Sunday we are invited to meditate on the fullness of meaning in the phrase "the Word of God," to reflect upon our own relationship with the living Word, and to examine our role in bringing the Word of God to others.

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 at all Masses next weekend. Please join us after the 9:45 Mass on Sunday in Konsowski Hall for a delicious continental breakfast.

Who are our catechists for this year?

Faculty Members: Terry McKenna, Christine Michalik, Diane Nowacki, Lynn Mitchell, Geri Meany, Linda Newell, Emily Yovich, Pat Maccagnano, Liz Holman, JoAnn Kijewski, Kim Skibinski, Mary Pat Bertrand

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

Sacramental Preparation: Reesie Noworyta, Rosa Oseguera, Joan Gibbons, Peg Gadus

Religious Education Teachers: Pat Maccagnano, Rosa Macias, Christine Michalik, Rochelle Slater, Sandy Jezior, Mary Ann Paskowy, Jeff Kscielniak, Cindy Malone

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION**Religious Education
Registration Information**

St. Florian offers a Religious Education Program to all students in grades K to 8 who are not attending a Catholic school. Grades K, 1 & 2 meet on Sunday morning from 10 AM to 11 AM. Grades 3-8 meet on Sunday morning from 8:00 AM to 11 AM. They attend the 9:45 AM Mass.

Registration: You can register your child on Mondays through Thursdays from 2:30 PM to 6:00 PM in the Rectory, 13145 S. Houston Ave., or call at 773/646-4877 during those hours if you have questions. Tuition is \$90.00 per family. **Registration will be closed as of September 25th.**

It is recommended that children begin religious education in kindergarten, as they are required to have two (2) years of religious education before receiving instruction for the sacraments. It is the child's religious education that determines their readiness for sacraments, NOT their age or grade in school.

Sacramental Preparation Registration

All parish children who are in grades 2, 3 or 8 need to register for Sacramental Preparation whether attending St. Florian School or in our Religious Education program (CCD).

Registration: You can register your child on Mondays through Thursdays from 2:30 PM to 6 PM at the Rectory office. You will need a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate (no one may receive a sacrament w/o proof of baptism) and sacramental fee. Reconciliation—\$50.00, Communion—\$50.00 and Confirmation—\$75.00. Any student in grades 4 through High School who is in need of any of the sacraments may also register during this time.

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 Frjelijch, 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 & Gilbert Diaz, Yesenia Guajardo, Pauline Pedersen, Beth Lasseter, Chestine Trzuppek, Patricia Manley, Thomas Frain, Laurie Ferry, Irma Bulatovich, Alicia Davila, Sophie Borowiec, Mark Biel, 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, 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, Rose Szczepanik, Helen Krupinski, Christen White, Norbert Klekowski, Elizabeth Klekowski, Katelyn Grabowski, 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.



In remembrance . . .

Rose Szczepanik
Denice Feltman

September 5, 2008
September 7, 2008

August Baptisms:

Giovanny

Daughter of Edgar and Susana Gonzalez

Jomarie Michell

Daughter of José and Michelle Figueroa

Elvis Xavier

Son of Elvis and Gloria Garcia

Isabella Marie

Daughter of Oscar and Tami Salazar

Payton Jane

Daughter of Frank and Melissa Gomez

Christian James

Son of Christopher and Wendy Gonzales

Sarai

Daughter of Jesse Hernandez and Laura Gama

September 2008 Book Rack Selections



(Our book rack is located in the back of church. Please take a moment and browse. Prices are indicated on each book.)

Catholic Wedding Book

by Molly K. Hans and William C. Graham.

Don't Forgive Too Soon *by Matthew Linn,*

Sheila Fabricant Linn, Dennis Linn.

Prayer A Practical Guide *by Rev. Martin Pable.*

Living the Life of Faith Today *by Joseph-Aurele Plourde*

Traveling With The Saints In Italy

by Lucinda Vardey

Frances de Sales *by Joseph F. Power, OSFS.*

William of St. Thierry *by M. Basil Pennington*

Journeying *by Michael Trainor*

Let Me Sow Love *by James E. Adams.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday - Sept. 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

Reading 1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33

Gospel John 19:25-27

Tuesday - Sept. 16 - St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian

Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a

Gospel Luke 7:11-17

Wed. - Sept. 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine

Reading 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Gospel Luke 7:31-35

Thursday - Sept. 18

Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel Luke 7:36-50

Friday - Sept. 19 - St. Januarius

Reading 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Gospel Luke 8:1-3

Sat. - Sept. 20 - St. Andrew, Kim Taegon, St. Paul

Chông Hasang and companions

Reading 1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49

Gospel Luke 8:4-15

Sunday Sept. 21- 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Isaiah 55:6-9

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

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16a

Discover . . . A new way of living as a Catholic

New Beginnings

Presented in 3 sessions

(sessions *guaranteed* to be only 1 hour long)

Following 4PM Mass on Saturday

and 8AM & 9:45AM Masses on Sunday

Oct. 18/19, Oct. 25/26, & Nov. 1/2

Plan to come and bring a friend/neighbor!

St. Florian School Happenings . . .

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LOGO

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

BINGO

Doors open at 1:30
Games begin at 2:30
in the gym at 131st & Houston



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.

Regular games will be played as well as raffle games such as a "U-Pick-'Em, a CoverAll Game, and returning this year is the "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! For more information, contact the School office at 773-646-2868 or email us at st.florian.school@gmail.com.

Football Mania Win \$500!

Support St. Florian School. Get online music and book downloads for only \$20 and then have a blast playing this exciting sweepstakes based on professional football! Call Allison Saberniak at 773/551-4626 or Janet McDonald at 773/646-4193 to get tickets and WIN.

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
12 Noon - 9:00 PM

\$5,000 Grand Prize Raffle!

- 2 - \$1,000 Prizes
- 3 - \$ 500 Prizes
- 2 - \$ 250 Prizes
- 5 - \$ 100 Prizes

Donation \$5.00 each/ Book of 12 tickets for \$50.00
(Sell an entire book and be entered into a special cash prize raffle — be sure to return the gold stub!)
(Don't forget to pick up your tickets in back of church)

Entertainment includes . . .

"A Touch of Class"

12:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Enjoy live band polka music or dance to many of your favorite tunes throughout the years!!!

6:00 - 9:00 PM

DJ Music

**Bean Bag Tournament, Games for Kids,
Music, Dancing, Zingo, Raffles, Prizes,
Ethnic Foods, Pizza, Brats,
Beef Sandwiches, Bake Sale & more!!**

Bake Sale!



Calling all bakers!! We need baked goods for the Fest!! You may bring your home

baked goods for storage in the rectory freezer (during business hours).

Also, be sure to label all items.

First 40 Teams only!! Sign up now — don't delay!

Early Registration: \$20/Team

Game Day Registration: \$30/Team

Bean Bag Tournament

At the Fest!

— **Double Elimination Competition** —
(for adults & high school students)
or parent/child team)

Pairings & Open Courts at 11 a.m.

Games at 11:30 a.m.

Games held at the south lawn of 131st & Houston



- 1st Place \$200**
- 2nd Place \$100**
- 3rd Place \$ 50**
- 4th Place \$ 20**

Entry forms in church, at the school & rectory offices.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS	
September 6/7, 2008	
Sunday Envelopes	\$3,605.00
Loose	\$ 355.63
Energy Assistance	<u>\$ 354.00</u>
Actual Received	\$4,314.63
(vs. Budgeted Goal)	\$5,250.00)
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 188.00
Maintenance	\$ 365.00
Children's Offering	\$ 51.55
Votives	\$ 171.00

St Vincent de Paul Poor Box - \$84.47

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.

KofC Tootsie Roll Drive - During the weekend of Sept. 19-21 (Fri-Sun), the Knights of Columbus will host their 39th Tootsie Roll Drive for Mental Retardation/Learning Disabilities. All donations will benefit those afflicted people in our community. If you are available to volunteer, please call 773-418-2260.

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast - The General Pulaski Council of the Knights of Columbus of Hegewisch will host an "All You Can Eat" Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, September 28th, from 8-1 p.m. at the St. Columba Social Center at 13323 S. Greenbay Ave. Adults \$7 and Kids 12 & under, \$3.

Be Safe at Home! - You'll have the opportunity to dispose of hazardous household chemicals and old computers on Sat., Sept. 20, from 9AM-3PM at the City Parking Facility, 900 E. 103rd St. You can drop off old & unused medications, computers, cell phones, fax machines, chemicals & paints, gas cans, etc. You may also pick up a compost bin (\$30), rain barrel (\$40) as well as a free compact fluorescent light bulb and an environmentally-friendly gas can in exchange for a used one. Call 312/744-7606 for more information.

Lung Cancer Walk & Rally — Please join a walk in support of lung cancer research Saturday, Oct. 4, at the William Powers State Fish and Wildlife Area. Registration at 8:30 AM and walk starts at 9:30 AM. All proceeds benefit the LUNGeVity Foundation. For more info go to www.LUNGeVity.org/chicagowalk.

Assistance for Gas & Electric Bills - The Hegewisch Community Center at 13260 Brandon Ave. is processing CEDA-Liheap applications. The offices will be open between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. This program is only for senior citizens, 60 years of age or older or people on Social Security Disability. For more information please call 773-646-4488

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Sept. 14 Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- Sept. 15 Young at Heart (KH) 1:00
- Sept. 16 Parent Club Mtg. (KH) 8AM & 5:30PM
- E.S.L. Classes (Gym 2nd Fl) 6:30
- Sept. 17 Daisies/Brownies (KH) 2:30
- Liturgy Mtg. (Rectory) 6:00
- Evangelization (KH) 6:00
- Sept. 18 Scouts (KH) 6:00
- E.S.L. Classes (Gym 2nd Fl) 6:30
- Sept. 19 Market Day (Gym) 2:00
- Sept. 20 Holy Name Garage Sale (Gym) 9-2
- Sept. 21 Holy Name Golf Outing - 8:00AM
- Burnham, IL
- Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- Sept. 22 Faith Sharing (KH) 1:00
- Sept. 23 E.S.L. Classes (Gym 2nd Fl) 6:30
- Sept. 24 SVDP (KH) 3:30 PM
- Sept. 25 Evangelization (KH) 6:00

St. Florian Holy Name Society Garage Sale - will take place in the school gym on **Saturday, Sept. 20 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM**. Individual tables or equal sized spaces can be reserved for a donation of \$20.00 each. Payment must be made when making reservations. Reservations can be made by calling Bob at 773-646-2374 or Vince at 773-646-4029 no later than Mon., Sept. 15. Vendor set up will take place at 7:30 AM. Space is limited, and is on a first come, first served basis. No vendors or retail merchandise will be allowed.

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. Tomczak, 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.