

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Weekend, December 6 & 7**

4:00 PM + Louise Maciejciek & Son Joseph - Ron & Irene Nawracaj
 8:00 AM + Marie Kaleta - Daughter & Family
 9:45 AM + Katherine & Charles Skulte - Family
 11:30 AM + William F. Hayes - Ron, Sue, Norah & Mickey

Monday, December 8 - Immaculate Conception

8:00 AM + Frances Rogalski - Jim & Ann Cummings
 7:00 PM + Anthony Smierciak - Marylou & Chuck

Tuesday, December 9

7:30 AM + Dolores Dzialakiewicz - Family

Wednesday, December 10

7:30 AM + Edward Kurasz - Mr. & Mrs. W. Rusin
 7:00 PM Parish Reconciliation Service

Thursday, December 11

7:30 AM + Joseph Kozial - Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Zelaze

Friday, December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 AM + Stephanie Paber - Mr. & Mrs. E. Katulski
 6:00 PM + Spanish Mass

Saturday, December 13

7:30 AM + Virginia Strapp - Family
 3:30 PM Prayer Service & Benediction
 4:00 PM + Carl Abram - Wife

Sunday, December 14 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM + Genevieve Banas - Family
 9:45 AM + Matthew Raczak - Family
 11:30 AM + Mary Powagn - Family & Friends

Week of December 7 - December 13

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of
 Virginia Strapp - Family

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
 Virginia Strapp - Family

In Remembrance

Edward Borek 11/15/14

READERS**December 2014**

4:00 PM N. Mooney
 8:00 AM R. Kopaczewski
 9:45 AM J. Andrade
 11:30 AM I. Jiminez

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**December 2014**

4:00 PM
 A. Bonczek
 M. Cowperthwaite
 D. Karczewski
 8:00 AM
 C. Bozovic
 J. Gibbons
 N. Moll
 9:45 AM
 P. Maccagnano
 C. Malone
 P. O'Rourke
 11:30 AM
 A. Davila
 R. Oseguera

ALTAR SERVERS**MONDAY, December 8 - Immaculate Conception**

8:00 AM A. Komosa, R. Dejanovich
 7:00 PM D. Ranos, P. Gomez

FRIDAY, December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

6:00 PM D. Ranos, P. Gomez

SATURDAY, December 13

4:00 PM A. Villanueva, J. Laskowiecki,

SUNDAY, December 14

8:00 AM J. Kelly, R. Dejanovich
 9:45 AM A. Shea, A. Komosa
 11:30 AM D. Ranos, P. Gomez

USHERS**December 2014**

4:00 PM C. Cowperthwaite, M. Adduci,
 E. Pindara, A. Lubanowski,
 T. Zalewski, N. Zalewski
 8:00 AM A. Wopinski, T. Nester,
 A. Jasek, M. Noworyta,
 J. Young
 9:45 AM E. Lihota, G. Slusarczyk,
 K. Podgorny, T. Baker,
 M. Gasior
 11:30 AM R. Manriquez, J. Gonzalez,
 M. Suarez, R. Ortiz

We pray for...

Barbara Anderson, Michael Auld, Edward Borek, Michael Boston, Grant Joseph Bradtke, Kevin Chocholek, Rickey Cholipski, Austin Cichy, Philip Corich, Martin Covarrubias, Mary Lou Cowperthwaite, Ann Cummings, Jim Cummings, Dorita De Cardona, David Donahue, Rosie Dunmore, Marietta Falbo, Laurie Ferry, Charlotte Frjelic, Bob Frjelic, Irma Garcia, Allysa Garcia, Yesenia Guajardo, Rosa Guadalupe Guajardo, Sara Janet Guzman, Otilia Haro, Helen Hennessy, Maryann Henney, Charlene Jones, Edward Kawa, Larry Kawa, Ron Keene, Karen Kil, Bob Konecek, Martha Kowalkowski, Helen Larson, John Larson, Beth Lasseter, Thomas J. Lohr, Katharina Makara, Joseph B. Mistarz, Jr., Joe Moncada, Ricardo Morales, Genoveva Nateras, Policarpo Naya, Shirley Ostrowski, Felicia Pancer, Pat Pirowski, Larry Potter, John Rosmanitz, Steven Schwartz, Jo Shanahan, Paul Sherman, Anthony & Lillian Smierciak, Alfonso Soto, Irene Stincic, Chestine Trzupek, Asunción Villalpondo, Dianne Williams, Chris Wopinski, Loretta Wopinski, Stanley Wrona, Sr., Melissa Young, 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.



**Anyone interested in renting
Konsowski Hall, please call the rectory
for more information.**

Don't forget to put your e-mail address on your envelope.

You only need to do this once. If you have already submitted your e-mail address, you do not need to do it again.

If you are new to the parish, stop in the rectory to register.

During our Advent season, please be sure to join together as a parish family on the following days:

Advent Reconciliation

All Saturdays of Advent 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Parish Reconciliation Service

Wednesday, December 10th 7:00 PM

Litany with Benediction

All Saturdays of Advent 3:30 PM

Tree Lighting Service

Saturday, December 20th 4:00 PM

This year we have chosen "Bells" ornaments as our theme. All families are asked to help decorate the tree with ornaments (either purchased or homemade). Refreshments will be available in Konsowski Hall following the tree lighting.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday - December 8 - Immaculate Conception

Reading I Genesis 3:9-15, 20
Reading II Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12
Gospel Luke 1:26-38

Tuesday - December 9 - St. Juan Diego

Reading Isaiah 40:1-11
Gospel Matthew 18:12-14

Wednesday - December 10

Reading Isaiah 40:25-31
Gospel Matthew 11:28-30

Thursday - December 11 - St. Damasus

Reading Isaiah 41:13-20
Gospel Matthew 11:11-15

Friday - December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

Reading Zechariah 2:14-17
Gospel Luke 1:39-47

Saturday - December 13 - St. Lucy

Reading Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11
Gospel Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday - December 14 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

Reading I Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11
Reading II 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
Gospel John 1:6-8, 19-28

Mass Schedule for Christmas

Vigil Mass

Wednesday, December 24

Prelude 3:45 PM

Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Christmas Eve Mass

Wednesday, December 24

Mass at Night 10:00 PM

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25

Mass at Dawn 8:00 AM

Mass During the Day 9:45 AM

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Wednesday, December 31 4:00 PM

Thursday, January 1 9:00 AM

St. Florian School Happenings...

visit us at - www.stflorianschool.org

2014 - 2015 REGISTRATION!

Registration is on going for 3 & 4 year old Pre-school through Grade 8. For further information, please contact the school office at:

773-646-2868.

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.

Assisted Living

Are you looking for a warm, caring place for a loved one? The Albertine Home, 1501 Hoffman Street, Hammond, is open to new residents who need assisted living. It is operated by the Albertine Sisters who provide room and board at a reasonable rate. Mass is celebrated daily and rosary is prayed every evening. Call (219) 937-0575 for a tour.

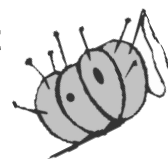
How Can You Help Our Troops?

St. Florian School is seeking the following items to send to troops overseas. Please arrange for a possible drop off or pick up time by calling the school at (773) 646-2868.

- ❖ Flavored drink mixes (Like Crystal Light packets)
- ❖ Chapstick
- ❖ Socks
- ❖ Protein powder and bars
- ❖ Beef jerky
- ❖ Foil or paper packaged snacks (left over Halloween candy)
- ❖ Brand name toiletries (not hotel samples)
- ❖ Flash drives, memory cards, iTunes gift cards
- ❖ DVDs, cards, games, etc.



Parent Club Craft Vendor Fair



December 7, 2014

10:30am - 2:00pm

St. Florian Gymnasium 131st and Houston

Looking for Vendors please contact:

Ernestina Echevarria
(773) 405-3373

Ernestina.echevarria69@gmail.com

- or -

Melissa Gomez
(312) 953-1823
mel2miami@yahoo.com

- or -

School Office
(773) 646-2868

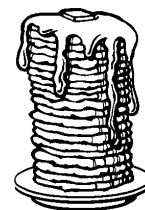


RCIA News

This year we have four people preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. They will receive these sacraments at the Easter Vigil on April 4, 2015. Shilo Krejca, Madison and Logan Jamrock and Desirée Gomez. Sunday, December 7 at 9:45 Mass, they will become catechumens. They have gone through an inquiry period since September and are now moving into the next stage. Please pray for them.

Pancake Breakfast with Santa

The General Pulaski Council #3323 Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake Breakfast with Santa Claus on Sunday, December 14th at the St. Columba Social Center, 13323 S. Greenbay. Free gift and photo with Santa Claus for all the kids. The Breakfast is an "All You Can Eat" Pancakes, Eggs



cooked to order, French Toast, Sausage, Milk, Coffee and Orange Juice. Breakfast will be served from 8AM until 12 Noon. Adults \$8.00 Children 10 and under \$4.00. Plenty of parking and handicap accessible. Need more information? Call John Rydzewski at 708-841-1904.

Year of the Sacraments

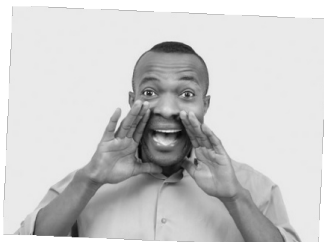
Pope Francis' Vision of Healing and Communion

July 2014 - June 2015



Year of Sacraments • One Word at a Time

Look Out



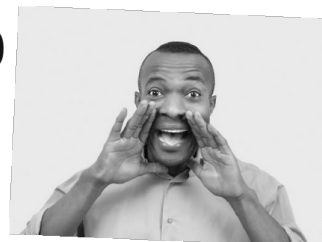
Nothing gets surer or quicker attention than hollering, **"Look out!"** The

words alert others, perhaps to some impending danger. We may not see a car coming or a box about to crash down. And when we hear those words, we do look out. We see something that we didn't notice before.

In Advent, the prophets, especially Isaiah and John the Baptist, cry, "Look out! Be aware. Notice what is happening and what is about to happen." They are the voices of Advent that grab our attention. The sacraments, too, are signs that speak to us and call for our attention. Whether it is the Eucharist or Penance or any other sacrament, they alert us to realities that we may not notice—the presence of the Lord, the possibility of mercy, or the visibility of God's love in a married couple's life together. Listen to the voices of Advent. And then look out for and listen to for the sacramental signs around us.

Año De Los Sacramentos • De Palabra En Palabra

Tener cuidado



Nada llama la atención con mayor rapidez o eficacia que exclamar: **"¡Cuidado!"**.

Esta palabra alerta a los demás, tal vez con la intención de evitar un peligro. Podemos no ver un auto que se aproxima o una caja que está a punto de caerse. Y cuando escuchamos esa palabra, sí estamos atentos. Vemos algo que no habíamos advertido antes.

En el Adviento, los profetas, especialmente Isaías y Juan el Bautista, exclamaron: "¡Cuidado! Estén atentos. Adviertan lo que está ocurriendo y lo que está por ocurrir". Ellos son las voces de Adviento que llaman nuestra atención. Los sacramentos también son signos que nos hablan y llaman nuestra atención. Ya sea la Eucaristía o la Penitencia, o cualquier otro sacramento, estos nos alertan acerca de realidades que tal vez no estemos advirtiendo: la presencia del Señor, la posibilidad de misericordia o la visibilidad del amor de Dios en la vida unida de una pareja. Escuchemos las voces de Adviento. Y, luego, estemos atentos y escuchemos los signos sacramentales que nos rodean.

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WEEKLY OFFERINGS

| | Nov 22 & 23 | Nov 29 & 30 |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Sunday Collections | | |
| 4:00pm Mass | \$ 745.00 | \$ 993.00 |
| 8:00am Mass | \$ 510.00 | \$ 357.00 |
| 9:45am Mass | \$ 731.90 | \$ 840.30 |
| 11:30am Mass | \$ 355.00 | \$ 266.67 |
| Mailed Donations | \$ 0.00 | \$ 369.00 |
| Votives | \$ 140.00 | \$ 104.30 |
| Actual Received | \$2,481.90 | \$2,930.27 |
| vs Budgeted Goal | -\$4,500.00 | -\$4,500.00 |
| Deficit | -\$2,018.10 | -\$1,569.73 |
| All Souls Day | \$ 0.00 | \$ 20.00 |
| Thanksgiving SVDP | \$ 0.00 | \$ 1053.00 |
| Ascension | \$ 0.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| World Mission Collection | \$ 0.00 | \$ 20.00 |
| CCHD Collection | \$ 660.93 | \$ 30.00 |
| Energy | \$ 20.00 | \$ 72.00 |
| Building Improvement | \$ 31.00 | \$ 15.00 |
| Maintenance | \$ 11.00 | \$ 1.00 |

**Please pray for our
Service Members:**

Eugene Zmija, U.S Air Force -
 SSgt David Burks, U.S. Army -
 Sgt Eric L. Abram, U.S. Air
 Force - Lt. Commdr. Nicholas
 Garcia, U.S. Navy Pilot - SPC
 Waylon Bader, US 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 - Cpl Kristin Pala,
 U.S. Marine Corps - Capt. Lisa Klekowski, US. Army
 - PFC Patrick Paskiewicz - U.S. Army - PVT David
 Cook, US Army - Petty Officer Second Class
 Laura A Tomczak, 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 - Sgt. Ernest Silva, U.S. Marine Corps -
 Jonathan Daniel Ladowski, U.S. Marine Corps.

*If you know of a family member who is no longer serving,
 please contact the Rectory at 646-4877 so they may be
 removed from this prayer list.*

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

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| Dec 7 | Rosary Ladies (KH) | 1:30pm |
| Dec 9 | Bible Study (KH) | 7:00pm |
| Dec 10 | School Board (KH) | 7:00pm |
| Dec 11 | Parent Club (PMR) | 6:30pm |
| Dec 12 | Holy Name (PMR) - Off Mtg | 7:00pm |
| | - Gen Mtg | 8:00pm |
| Dec 15 | Young At Heart (KH) | 1:00pm |
| Dec 16 | Pantry Set Up (KH) | 9:00am |
| Dec 17 | Big Pantry (KH) | 3:30pm |

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$92.00

St. Vincent de Paul - Thanks! Because you are concerned... This is a note of appreciation. Our thank you is a simple but sincere statement. You are being thanked by the poor and the needy for food, clothing, medicine and other needs you are supplying. "The Poor Boxes are the Bread Boxes of the Needy."

The **Chicago Catholic Scripture School St. Jerome Senior Lecture Series** option is now accepting students for unit 2 at each CCSS site location. This modification allows St. Jerome students, those who are 60 years plus to audit all three units offered annually. For more information, visit our website at www.catechesis-chicago.org/ccss

Ladies Rosary Sodality will meet on Sunday, December 7th at 1:30pm in Konsowski Hall. There will be a Christ-mas luncheon and a White Elephant Gift exchange.

Our **6th Annual Food and Coat Drive** that we host at the *Hegewisch Chamber of Commerce* office has now started. Anything that you can donate, even one can of food, will be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the Hegewisch Chamber of Commerce, 13330 South Baltimore Avenue, or give us a call at the chamber at (773) 646-6880 and we can let you know of other drop off locations. Let us make sure that no one in our community goes without food or a warm coat this holiday season.

I myself, and my business, BMT Printing will again this year, match any non-perishable food items that are dropped off at the Hegewisch Chamber on Tuesday, December 9th and Thursday, December 11th, between 11:00am and 4:00pm.

Brian Twardosz
 President
 Hegewisch Chamber of Commerce

MISSION STATEMENT of ST. FLORIAN PARISH

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 community 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
- 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.

Worship

Altar Servers
Choirs, Cantors & Musicians
Ministers of Communion
Liturgy Committee
Ministry of Care
Ministry of Consolation
Ministry of Lectors
Faith Sharing Groups
Ushers & Greeters
Bible Study

Education and Adult Formation

Elementary School
(Pre-K through 8th)
Baptismal Preparation
R.C.I.A.
Parish Pastoral Council
Religious Education
Vacation Bible School
Evangelization Committee

Service

Garden Club
Finance Council
St. Vincent de Paul

Parish/School Organizations

Holy Name Society
Knights of Columbus
Parents' Club
Ladies Rosary Sodality
Young at Heart
Athletic Association

Mission Statement of St. Florian Parish Pastoral Council

St. Florian Parish Pastoral Council is a group of parishioners who work together with the pastor to act as a consultative body for the parish. Our mission is to build a prayerful, evangelizing and welcoming spirit for the benefit of the faith community.

Memorials And Gifts of Remembrance

You may remember your deceased loved ones in the following ways:

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|--|
| | Donation | |
| <u>Daily Masses</u> | \$ 10 | |
| <u>Tree of Life</u> | | |
| Gold Leaf | \$ 100 | |
| Small Stone | \$ 500 | |
| Large Stone | \$1,000 | |

The Tabernacle Candle
will be lit in memory of . . . \$ 10

The Gifts of Bread and Wine
are donated in memory of . . . \$ 15

*Please remember St. Florian Parish
in your estate planning*

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TO ALL WHO CELEBRATE

Whether visitors, long-time residents
or newly arrived in the Parish, we
Thank God for you.

If you are not registered,
or there is a change in your address,
or telephone number,
please fill out the form and place it in one
of our collection baskets or mail it to
the Rectory

Thank You

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Please Check One:

___ New Parishioner

___ New Phone Number

___ New Address

___ Moving, Remove

from Register