

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Weekend, December 21 & 22**

4:00 PM + Helen Zurawski - Anna & Michael Begora
 8:00 AM + Fr. Joe Pachorek - Drosos Family
 9:45 AM + Michael Katalinic - Jim & Pat O'Rourke
 11:30 AM + José Jesús Reyes - Family

Monday, December 23

7:30 AM + Larry Moll - Wife

Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

7:30 AM + Deborah Watson - Phyllis Powers
 4:00 PM + John Prinz - Wife & Children
 10:00 PM Parishioners

Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day

8:00 AM + Katherine O'Brien - Daughter
 9:45 AM + Ed Borowski - Family

Thursday, December 26

7:30 AM + Walter Rolek - Family

Friday, December 27

8:00 AM + Denise Twardosz - Family

Saturday, December 28

7:30 AM + Richard C. Serafin - Wife
 4:00 PM + Regina Przybyla - Friends

Sunday, December 29

8:00 AM + Walter & Veronica Wojcik - Chester Ogonek
 9:45 AM + Tony Segvich Jr. - Family
 11:30 AM + Emilia Silva & Francisco Saldana - Family

Week of December 22 - December 28

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of

Larry Moll - Family

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of

Larry Moll - Family

ALTAR SERVERS**TUESDAY, December 24 - Christmas Eve**

4:00 PM R. Dejanovich, A. Komosa, J. Kelly
 10:00 PM J. Laskowiecki, P. Gomez,
 N. Meduga, N. Mooney

WEDNESDAY, December 25 - Christmas Day

8:00 AM S. Meyer, T. Meyer
 9:45 AM A. Shea, D. Shea, A. Bellan

SATURDAY, December 28

4:00 PM J. O'Keefe, D. Ranos, N. Mooney

SUNDAY, December 29

8:00 AM S. Meyer, T. Meyer, N. Meduga
 9:45 AM P. Gomez, J. Kelly, A. Komosa
 11:30 AM X. Gutierrez

READERS**December 2013**

4:00 PM A. Bonczek
 8:00 AM R. Kopaczewski
 9:45 AM J. Andrade
 11:30 AM C. Ramirez

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**December 2013**

4:00 PM
 M. Cowperthwaite
 R. Haney
 D. Karczewski
 L. Morse

8:00 AM
 D. Ciciora
 J. Gibbons
 K. Gibson
 N. Moll

9:45 AM
 P. Haro
 P. Maccagnano
 C. Malone
 P. O'Rourke

11:30 AM
 A. Davila
 R. Oseguera

USHERS**December 2013**

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. Shanahan, 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...



Carl Abram, Barbara Anderson, Michael Auld, Adrienne Bonczek, Michael Boston, Grant Joseph Bradtke, Irma Bulatovich, Kevin Chocholek, Rickey Cholipski, Austin Cichy, Philip Corich, Martin Covarrubias, Ann Cummings, Jim Cummings, Dorita De Cardona, David Donahue, Rosie Dunmore, Marietta Falbo, Laurie Ferry, Charlotte Frjelich, Bob Frjelich, 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 Lassetter, Thomas J. Lohr, Katharina Makara, Joseph B. Mistarz, Jr., Joe Moncada, Ray Mosser, Ricardo Morales, Genoveva Nateras, Policarpo Naya, Shirley Ostrowski, Felicia Pancer, Pat Pirowski, Steven Schwartz, Jo Shanahan, Paul Sherman, Alfonso Soto, Irene Stincic, Maria Tokarz, Chestine Trzuppek, Asunción Villalpondo, Dianne Williams, Chris 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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday - December 23 - St. John of Kanty

Reading Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24
Gospel Luke 1:57-66

Tuesday - December 24 - Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

Reading I Isaiah 62:1-5
Reading II Acts 13:16-17, 22-25
Gospel Matthew 1:1-25

Wednesday - December 25 - Nativity of the Lord

Reading I Isaiah 9:1-6
Reading II Titus 2:11-14
Gospel Luke 2:1-14

Thursday - December 26 - St. Stephen

Reading Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Gospel Matthew 10:17-22

Friday - December 27 - St. John

Reading 1 John 1:1-4
Gospel John 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday - December 28 - Holy Innocents

Reading 1 John 1:5-2:2
Gospel Matthew 2:13-18

Sunday - December 29 - Holy Family

Reading I Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Reading II Colossians 3:12-21
Gospel Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

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.**

December 2013 Book Rack Selection

Daily Gospel 2014 by
Carol Duffy, FCJ,
Bienvido Baisas,
OFM and Angel
Ochagavia



**St. Joseph Sunday
Missal 2014**

W & W Pocket

Calendar 2014 by Don Brophy

Bible Diary 2014

The Strength Within by Barbara Hansen

Belonging by Dennis Linn, Sheila Fabricant Linn
and Matthew Linn

To Reconcile God's People *Writings of Cardinal
Mahony*, Selected and Edited with an
Introduction by Michael Downey

With an Everlasting Love by William J. Barry

Vocation Thoughts: December 22, 2013 4th Sunday of Advent

“When Joseph awoke he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him...” (Matthew 1:24-25) Are you prayerfully vigilant about discovering your vocation in Christ? Might He be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life? If you have ever considered a vocation to the priesthood, contact Fr. Francis Bitterman, fbitterman@archchicago.org or at 312-534-8298, or goto www. ChicagoPriest.com. For information on religious life contact Sr. Elyse Ramirez, OP at 312-534-5240 or eramirez@archchicago.org, and for the Permanent Diaconate program contact Deacon Bob Puhala at 847-837-4564 or bpuhala@usml.edu

*May the spirit of Christmas bring you peace,
The gladness of Christmas give you hope,
The warmth of Christmas grant you love.*

~Author Unknown

St. Florian School Happenings...



visit us at - www.stflorianschool.org

Market Day

Orders are due by January 17, 2014 and can be picked up on Friday, January 24th in the school gymnasium from 2-3pm. Profits earned from last month's Market Day were \$75.44.

Aluminum Can Recycling

Please bring your aluminum cans to the school parking lot on Wednesday, January 8th at 8:00am.

2013-2014 REGISTRATION!

Registration is on going for 3 & 4 year old Preschool 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.



St. Florian School Honor Roll First Quarter 2013 - 2014

Grade 3

"A" Honors

Abby Adduci
Lauren Drexler
David Meduga
Isella Perea
Aaron Robles
Joslyn Salamanca
Andrea Villanueva

"B" Honors

Alexandria Juarez
Evelyn Robles
Miguel Trejo
Joey Zbinden

Grade 4

"A" Honors

Lindsay Kreger
Mishelle Trejo

Grade 5

"B" Honors

Jaime Avila
Rebekah Dejanovich
Aaron Gorny
Maria Katsaros
Gabriel Terrazas

No Detentions

Rebekah Dejanovich
Maria Katsaros

Grade 6

"A" Honors

Alexia Gonzales

No Detentions

Alexia Gonzales

Grade 7

"A" Honors

Danille Gaczkowski

"B" Honors

Nadia Arnold
Jennifer Dejanovich
Joey Laskowiecki
Sebastian Meyer
Tybolt Meyer

Grade 8

"A" Honors

Nicole Cervera
Janina Laskowiecki

"B" Honors

Matthew Gonzalez
Emily Kreger
Alfonso Villanueva
Aidan Varela

WEEKLY OFFERINGS**December 14 & 15, 2013**

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 2,807.00
Loose	\$ 390.75
Children's Offering	\$ 7.00
Actual Received	\$ 3,204.75
vs Budgeted Goal	-\$ 4,500.00
Deficit	-\$ 1,295.25
Christmas Flowers	\$ 370.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 41.00
Retirement for Religious	\$ 100.00
Energy	\$ 85.00
Maintenance	\$ 64.00
Building Improvement	\$ 66.00

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Dec 23-Jan 4	School Closed
Jan 6	Faith Sharing (KH) 7:00pm
Jan 7	PPC (KH) 7:00pm
Jan 8	Evangelization Meeting (KH) 6:00pm
Jan 8	Parent Club (KH) 7:00pm
Jan 9	Faith Sharing (KH) 5:30pm
Jan 10	Holy Name (KH) Exec. Mtg. 7:00pm Gen. Mtg. 8:00pm
Jan 14	Faith Sharing (KH) 7:00pm
Jan 15	School Board (KH) 6:30pm
Jan 16	Confirmation Sponsors Mtg. (KH) 7:00

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$162.00

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to our membership, their families and friends. We wish to thank the people of the parish for making it possible to meet some of the needs of our neighbors during 2013. We would also like to thank all those who donated money with the Thanksgiving SVDP envelopes. A total of \$985.00 was collected.

*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 - Sgt.
Matthew R. McGivney, U.S. Army - Cpl
Kristin Pala, US. 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 wish to have a family member added to this
prayer list, please contact the Rectory at 646-4877.*

Christmas Offerings:

We encourage everyone to use their special Christmas envelope for their family's Christmas gift to the Parish. As you have given so generously in the past, we hope you are able to continue to do so this Christmas.



Also, please remember to use your Christmas Flower envelope to help with the cost of our flowers and decorations used in Church throughout the Christmas season.

The Seton Academy

The Seton Academy will be hosting an Open House on Thursday January 9, 2014 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

A Shadow Day will be held on January 7, 2014 and an entrance exam on Saturday, January 11, 2014. Registration will take place at 7:30am and the exam itself will begin at 8:00am. There will be a testing fee of \$25.00.

For more information please contact Mr. Omar Harrod at (708) 333-6300 or email him at oharrod@seton-academy.org.

Year of Strong Catholic Parents

July 2013 - June 2014



Raising Faith-Filled Kids - One Word at a Time

Sing

During one of those all-family “we’ve got to get this house organized” clean-up days, I heard my daughters say, “We can’t get rid of these!” They were clutching old vinyl record albums of Christmas carols. They proclaimed, “We listened to these over and over when we were little!” Even though it was March, we found a turntable in the attic, put on the albums, and enjoyed them once more.

Back in the day, we not only listened to these hymns but sang them together throughout Advent, Christmas, and beyond. The hymns carried the essence of the Gospel and placed it forever in my daughters’ hearts. “Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love’s pure light.” So, no, we didn’t get rid of those albums. It would have been like tossing out the family Bible.

— Tom McGrath



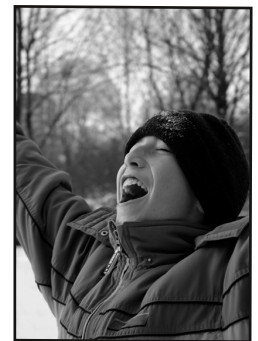
Criando hijos creyentes - una palabra a la vez

Cantar

Uno de esos días en que toda la familia ayuda con la limpieza y organización general de la casa, oí a mis hijas decir: “¡No podemos deshacernos de estos!”. Se estaban aferrando a unos discos de vinilo viejos con canciones navideñas. Decían: “Escuchábamos estas canciones una y otra vez cuando éramos pequeñas”. Aunque era marzo, encontramos un tocadiscos en el ático, pusimos los discos y los disfrutamos una vez más.

Cuando eran pequeñas, no solo escuchábamos esas canciones sino que también las cantábamos juntos en el Adviento, en Navidad y aun después. Esas canciones transmitían la esencia del Evangelio y la depositaron en los corazones de mis hijas para siempre. “Noche de paz, noche de amor, todo duerme en derredor. Sobre el santo niño Jesús una estrella esparce su luz”. Así que no, no nos deshicimos de esos discos. Hubiese sido como arrojar la Biblia de la familia a la basura.

— Tom McGrath



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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