

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Weekend, September 28/29**

4:00 PM + Peter Orzelski - Diane
 8:00 AM + John & Donna Young 50th Anniversary
 9:45 AM + Jesús Macias - Family
 11:30 AM + Aracelis Horta - Davila Family

Monday, September 30

7:30 AM + Richard C. Serafin - Wife

Tuesday, October 1

7:30 AM + Andrew & Stephanie Ciciora - Family

Wednesday, October 2

7:30 AM + Bill Semlow - Sandy Jezior

Thursday, October 3

7:30 AM + Ken Baker - Olga Wilk

Friday, October 4

8:00 AM + Emily Bokowy - Rita & Carl Abram

Saturday, October 5

7:30 AM + Sandra Blaszak - Don & Pat Golden
 4:00 PM + Robert Zielinski - Family

Sunday, October 6

8:00 AM + Steve Paszkewicz - Eleanor Paszkewicz
 9:45 AM + Ken Baker - Barbara Anderson
 11:30 AM + Carmen Luna - Salazar Family

Week of September 29 - October 5

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

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of

READERS**October 2013**

4:00 PM B. Frederisy
 8:00 AM R. Kopazewski
 9:45 AM J. Andrade
 11:30 AM C. Ramirez

ALTAR SERVERS**SATURDAY, October 5**

4:00 PM A. Villanueva, N. Meduga

SUNDAY, October 6

8:00 AM J. Kelly, J. O'Keefe
 9:45 AM A. Shea, D. Shea, P. Gomez
 11:30 AM X. Gutierrez

August Baptisms:

*Emmanuel Luis - Son of
 Emmanuel Trujillo & Cecilia Avina*

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**October 2013**

4:00 PM

M. Cowperthwaite
 J. Gibbons
 R. Haney
 S. Jezior

8:00 AM

C. Bozovic
 D. Ciciora
 P. Gadus
 N. Moll

9:45 AM

P. Haro
 P. Maccagnano
 C. Malone
 P. O'Rourke

11:30 AM

A. Davila
 I. Jiminez

USHERS**October 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

Year of Strong Catholic Parents

July 2013 - June 2014



Raising Faith-Filled Kids - One Word at a Time

Behold



Behold is an old-fashioned word that should never go out of style. To behold is to see and savor the reality beyond what meets the eye. When your heart warms as you watch your sleeping toddler, you behold. When you look away from the TV or computer screen and peer into your child's eyes as you listen, you behold. When you stop in the middle of an argument, take a deep breath and ask, "What's really going on with us?"—you behold.

I heard a homilist once say that the whole New Testament can be summed up in one word: behold. Behold the Good News in your family, the ways God is present and working among you so that you may have life and have it more abundantly.

—Tom McGrath

Criando hijos creyentes - una palabra a la vez

Contemplación



Contemplación es una palabra antigua que nunca debería pasar de moda. Contemplar es ver o saborear la realidad más allá de lo que se percibe a simple vista. Cuando se entenece el corazón al ver a nuestro bebé dormir, estamos contemplando. Cuando apartamos la vista del televisor o la pantalla de la computadora y miramos a nuestros hijos a los ojos y los escuchamos, estamos contemplando. Cuando nos detenemos en medio de una discusión, respiramos profundo y preguntamos "¿Por qué estamos discutiendo en realidad?", estamos contemplando.

Una vez escuché a un predicador decir que todo el Nuevo Testamento se podría resumir con una sola palabra: contemplación. Contemplemos la Buena Nueva en nuestra familia, las formas en las que Dios está presente y obrando entre nosotros para que podamos tener vida y la tengamos en abundancia.

—Tom McGrath

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We pray for...



Carl Abram, Barbara Anderson, Michael Auld, Adrienne Bonczek, Michael Boston, Grant Joseph Bradtke, Harriet Brodzik, 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 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, 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 Trzupek, 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 - September 30

Reading Zechariah 8:1-8
Gospel Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday - October 1 - Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Reading Zechariah 8:20-23
Gospel Luke 9:51-56

Wednesday - October 2 - Guardian Angels

Reading Nehemiah 2:1-8
Gospel Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Thursday - October 3

Reading Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12
Gospel Luke 10:1-12

Friday - October 4 - Saint Francis of Assisi

Reading Baruch 1:15-22
Gospel Luke 10:13-16

Saturday - October 5

Reading Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29
Gospel Luke 10:17-24

Sunday - October 6 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
Reading II 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Gospel Luke 17:5-10

ANYONE INTERESTED IN RENTING
KONSOWSKI HALL, PLEASE CALL THE
RECTORY FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Florian Fest Car Show

Saturday - October 12, 2013
12:00 to 3:30pm and 5:00 to 9:00pm

St. Florian Parking Lot

Fest Day

Sunday - October 13, 2013

11:00am - 8:00pm

131st & Houston Avenue
(St. Florian Gymnasium In Hegewisch)

Live Music!

The Ampol-Aires
Polka Band
12:00 to 4:00pm

The Bed Bugs!
4:30 to 8:00pm

\$5,000

Cash Raffle

Bake Sale

Kid's Activities

Raffles All Day

From the Pastor's Desk

What does it mean to be married or unmarried and living as a family in a Catholic Church?

The Catholic Church has different rules than other Churches or states. Every Catholic before thinking about starting a family should deeply and seriously think about the steps before and after any serious commitment that he or she takes on.

Everything that we do as Catholics matters and later influences our lives for a long time and sometimes forever.

When we speak about the choices in life; like living together and marriage those should always “be on the same page with our Creator”. Yes, God is the one who has set the rules many, many years ago. Not much has changed since the setting of the rules. God today wants us to accept his simple rule and obey it. It is not up to us to change the rules or erase them.

In the “Catechism of the Catholic Church (second edition)” we read about marriage:

1659 St. Paul said: “Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the Church... This is a great mystery, and I mean in reference to Christ and the Church” (Eph. 5:25, 32).

1661 The sacrament of Matrimony signifies the union of Christ and the Church. It gives spouses the grace to love each other with the love with which Christ has loved his Church; the grace of the sacrament thus perfects the human love of the spouses, strengthens their indissoluble unity. And sanctifies them on the way to eternal life (cf. Council of Trent: DS 1799).

Those are supported strongly by the Church.

After the marriage in the Catholic Church is a fact, God extends his blessing and encourages us to move forward to the other steps that follow marriage.

God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Gen. 1.28

Again looking at the fragment from the scripture we quote God who loves people and who wants them to pass on the gift of life. He gives them His blessing to do well so they could be successful as giving birth parents.

That also connects with our question about marriage. The children who come after a man and a woman are married are the blessed fruit that should be loved and correctly raised according to God's will. We all are part of God's creation that is blessed but only human beings having a will can choose a right way or be away from the Grace of the Lord by the sin of ignorance.

The Catholic Church tries to promote a correct family life. The only time we call marriage Catholic is if a man and a woman are married in Church and the wedding is being officiated by a Catholic priest or a Catholic deacon. In the United States we know of the other forms of wedding ceremonies but they cannot be called a Catholic Marriage.

1663 Since marriage establishes the couple in a public state of life in the Church, it is fitting that its celebration be public, in the framework of a liturgical celebration, before the priest (or a witness authorized by the Church), the witnesses, and the assembly of the faithful.

If the marriage is not blessed in the Catholic Church, even if the two people (man and woman) live together and have children they cannot describe themselves as “married Catholics” until they **validate** their marriage in the Catholic Church. The validation in United States Catholic Parishes usually looks pretty much like a preparation for a wedding and later a wedding ceremony.

Hopefully those not married in the Catholic Church will find the time to ask for validation or regular marriage in the Catholic Church.

The worst thing that could be done in the unblessed marriage is to give up the will to get the marriage validated in the Catholic Church.

We read in “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (Second edition):

1607. According to faith the disorder we notice so painfully does not stem from nature of man and woman, nor from the nature of their relationship, but from sin. As a break with God, the first sin had for its first consequence the rapture of the original communion between man and woman. Their relations were distorted by mutual recriminations, their mutual attraction, the Creator's own gift, changed into a relationship of dominations and lust; and the beautiful vocation of a man and woman to be fruitful, multiply and subdue the earth was burdened by the pain of childbirth and the toil of work.

1608. Nevertheless, the order of creation persists, through seriously disturbed. To heal the wounds of sin, man and a woman need the help of the grace that God in his infinite mercy never refuses them. Without his help man and a woman cannot achieve the union of their lives for which God created them “in the beginning”.

We cannot substitute God's blessing with anything human.

...also it is important to know

(CCC) 1665 The marriage of persons divorced from a living, lawful spouse contravenes the plan and law of God as thought by Christ. They are not separated from the Church, but they cannot receive Eucharistic communion. They will lead Christian lives especially by educating their children in the faith.

(Every instance of a divorcee is different. For more information ask your parish priest).

More information about The Catholic Church and marriage can be found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Fr. Robert

WEEKLY OFFERINGS September 21 & 22 2013

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 2,379.40
Loose	\$ 228.27
Children's Offering	\$ 56.00
Votives	\$ 92.90
Actual Received	\$ 2,756.57
vs Budgeted Goal	-\$ 4,500.00
Deficit	-\$ 1,743.43
Energy	\$ 43.00
Maintenance	\$ 8.00
Building Improvement	\$ 35.00

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$120.00

With 860,670 food insecure individuals in Cook County, it is more important than ever to take action against hunger. We ask you to call or write Members of Congress and the State Legislature asking them to protect federal and state nutrition programs.

*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. Comdr.
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 - Bill Anderson, U.S. Army -
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.*



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sep 30	Faith Sharing (KH) 1:00pm
Oct 3	Choir Practice (SFC) Men's 5:00pm St. Cecilia 6:00pm
Oct 7	Faith Sharing (KH) 7:00pm
Oct 8	Confirmation Meeting Parents/Candidates (KH) 7:00pm
Oct 9	Parent Club (KH) 7:00pm
Oct 10	Spanish Faith Sharing (KH) 5:30pm
Oct 11	Holy Name (PMR) Exec. Mtg. 7:00pm Gen. Mtg. 8:00pm



Fest Baskets

Donations for our Florian Fest Baskets can be dropped off at the rectory during regular business hours.



Need for Coolers

We are in need of large coolers to keep our drinks cold for Florian Fest. If you would be willing to lend us one for a day, please call the rectory and let us know.



Florian Fest Bake Sale

The Florian Fest Committee is looking for bakers! Please drop off your home made goodies at the Rectory. Your yummy donations will be very much appreciated!

St. Florian School Happenings...

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.

visit us at - www.stflorianschool.org

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

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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