

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Weekend of September 20/21

- 4:00 PM + Deceased Members of Ladies Rosary Sodality
 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

Monday, September 22

- 7:15 AM + Walter P. Zakrzewski - Family

Tuesday, September 23

- 7:15 AM + Lorraine Obrakta - Dr. Novak & Family

Wednesday, September 24

- 7:15 AM + Stephanie Lickus - Friend

Thursday, September 25

- 7:15 AM + Sylvia Krupa - Children

Friday, September 26

- 8:15 AM + Arlene Hogle - Family

Saturday, September 27

- 7:30 AM + Ralph Carrillo - Children
 4:00 PM + Stephan Grabowski - Catherine Evans

Sunday, September 28

- 8:00 AM + Paul Orchowski - Bill & Janice Murawski
 + Josephine Iwan - Betty Zbinden
 9:45 AM + John Gabrys - Veronica Wojcik
 11:30 AM + Lino Chavez - Wife & Children

Week of September 21 - September 27

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week in memory of
 Rudolph Premetz - Family

The Tabernacle Candle will be lit this week in memory of
 Rudolph Premetz - 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 27

4:00 PM M. Elizalde, J. Lelo, G. Bonczek

SUNDAY, September 28

8:00 AM B. Echevarria, E. Echevarria, N. Mooney
 9:45 AM D. Ranos, T. DeCook, J. Gottardo
 11:30 AM M. Ortiz, J. Carlassare, B. Meyer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS September, 2008

4:00 PM

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

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

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

FLORIAN FEST

Sunday - October 5, 2008
12 Noon - 9:00 PM

Menu

Catered by: Ace Catering

Stuffed Cabbage, Garlic Mashed Potato Rye Bread, w/ Coffee or Soda	\$5.00
Roast Pork, Gravy, Garlic Mashed Potato, Roll, w/ Coffee or Soda	\$5.00
Polish Sausage, Kraut, Garlic Mashed Potato Rye Bread, w/ Coffee or Soda	\$5.00
Dumplings & Cabbage (bowl)	\$1.00
Side order of Kraut (bowl)	\$1.00
Pierogi (Cheese, Potato or Kraut)	4 / \$3.00
PUDGY'S Sausage, Cheese <i>Pizza</i> or Pepperoni	\$1.50/slice
Tamales or Tacos w/ salsa	\$1.00 ea.
Italian Sausage Sandwich	\$4.00
Beef Sandwich & Chips	\$5.00
Nachos	\$1.50
Plus BBQ in the Courtyard!!!	
"Drago-Bobs"	\$3.00 ea. or 2 for \$5.00
Bratwurst	\$2.00
Hot Dogs	\$1.00

Music & Dancing — something for all . . .
"A Touch of Class" 12:30 - 6 PM Live Band
DJ Music 6 PM - 9PM

\$5,000 Grand Prize Raffle! - Plus . . .
 2 - \$1,000 Prizes 3 - \$ 500 Prizes
 2 - \$ 250 Prizes 5 - \$ 100 Prizes
 Donation \$5.00 each/ Book of 12 tickets for \$50.00

Fantastic Raffle Prizes all Day !!
Weekend Getaway Package:
"Spring House Inn" in Porter, Indiana
 Plus — gift baskets, tools, household items, gift certificates, mystery prizes & so much more!!!


Fun & Games for Kids!!
 Inside 12:00 - 4:00 PM Outside 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Power Shower! Raffles! **Bounce Houses**

Free Throw Contest! Bean Bag Toss Games & Prizes
 Grades 4-8 Grades 3-9

Guitar Hero! 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 in the school lobby!

Bake Sale! Don't forget to bake!! Pies, breads, cookies, brownies & all sorts of homemade treats are needed. We can store them in the rectory freezer!



VOLUNTEERS Needed!! Please complete your orange volunteer sheet and return ASAP. We need you!!
 Be sure to attend the **WORKERS MEETING Tues., Sept. 30, at 7PM in Konsowski Hall.**

Florian Fest Bean Bag Tournament
on Sunday, October 5, 2008

TEAM NAME: _____

Player: _____

Phone # _____

Player: _____

Phone # _____

Advance Regis: \$20.00/team Game Day: \$30/team
 Cash \$ _____ Check # _____

*Make checks payable to St. Florian Parish. Return with payment to 13145 S. Houston, Chicago, IL 60633
 Call 773/646-4877 for further information.*

 **First 40 Teams only!!**
 Early Registration: \$20/Team
 Game Day Registration: \$30/Team

Bean Bag Tournament
 — Double Elimination Competition —
 (for adults & high school students)

Pairings & Open Courts at 11 a.m.
 Games at 11:30 a.m.
 South lawn of 131st & Houston

CASH PRIZES!

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

Serving Bob & Jack's Pizza and Drago-Bobs!

Join the outdoor family fun!
 (Rain Date - Oct. 11)

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 Trzupek, 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, 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.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday - Sept. 22

Reading Proverbs 3:27-34

Gospel Luke 8:16-18

Tuesday - Sept. 23 - St. Pio of Pietrelcina

Reading Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13

Gospel Luke 8:19-21

Wed. - Sept. 24

Reading Proverbs 30:5-9

Gospel Luke 9:1-6

Thursday - Sept. 25

Reading Ecclesiastes 1:2-11

Gospel Luke 9:7-9

Friday - Sept. 26 - St. Cosmos & St. Damian

Reading Ecclesiastes 3:1-11

Gospel Luke 9:18-22

Sat. - Sept. 27 - St. Vincent de Paul

Reading Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8

Gospel Luke 9:43b-45

Sunday Sept. 28- 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Ezekiel 18:25-28

Reading II Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel Matthew 21:28-32

THE WORD OF GOD IN THE LIFE AND MISSION OF THE CHURCH

Today we celebrate
Catechetical Sunday 2008

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.

Jesus Christ *is* the life and mission of the Church. Let us celebrate and thank the men and women who serve our parish by bringing the Word of God into the hearts of others.

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 Piaskowy, Jeff Kscielniak, Cindy Malone

All are welcome:

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

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!

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO - Seminary Collection September 27-28, 2008

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Next weekend we again celebrate Seminary Sunday in all the parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago. In fact, we celebrate the lives of the many priests who serve you so faithfully each day and those who are preparing to serve you with that same charity in the future. The love of a priest for his people makes present Christ's love for his Church.

The seminary is the place where the vocation to the priesthood is nourished and grown. Pope Benedict XVI, in a message to seminarians at World Youth Day 2005, captures the essence of what we celebrate this Seminary Sunday:

"Dear friends, this the mystery of God's call, the mystery of vocation. It is part of the life of every Christian, but it is particularly evident in those whom Christ asks to leave everything in order to follow him more closely. The seminarian experiences the beauty of that call in a moment of grace which could be defined as 'falling in love.' His soul is filled with amazement, which makes him ask in prayer: 'Lord, why me?' But love knows no 'why'; it is a free gift to which one responds with the gift of self."

"The seminary years are a time of journeying, of exploration, but above all of discovering Christ. It is only when a young man has had a personal experience of Christ that he can truly understand the Lord's will and consequently his own vocation. The better you know Jesus the more his mystery attracts you. The more you discover him, the more you are moved to seek him. This is a movement of the spirit which lasts throughout life, and which makes the seminary a time of immense promise, a true 'springtime.'"

As our seminarians spend years in formation and discernment, I thank you for your financial contributions which provide them with the environment to "prepare well" to serve God's faithful for years to come. I ask you to pray for them and for those whom God is now calling to the ordained priesthood from among our families and friends.

Finally, I pray that God will continue to bestow on you and your family His choicest blessings for your generosity to the seminarians. You are in my prayers, and I ask you to remember me and our Archdiocese in your prayers each day. Thank you.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

**St. Florian School
Happenings . . .**

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

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**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.

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



Mission Statement of St. Florian School

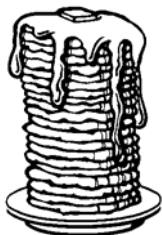
Our mission is to provide each student with a Catholic education in all areas. The faculty and school families join the parish staff and fellow parishioners to form a living Catholic faith community. Our school population is multicultural and fosters sensitivity to the needs of all. We promote the students' 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.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS	
September 13/14, 2008	
Sunday Envelopes	\$3,187.00
Loose	\$ 328.00
Energy Assistance	\$ 62.00
Actual Received	\$3,577.00
(vs. Budgeted Goal)	\$5,250.00)
Bldg. Improvement	\$ 197.00
Maintenance	\$ 116.00
Children's Offering	\$ 48.00
Votives	\$ 130.00

IMPORTANT MEETING! Be sure to attend —
FEST WORKERS & FEST SECURITY TEAM
 Tuesday, Sept. 30 7:00 PM in Konsowski Hall
TOPIC: Important information you'll need to know while working at the Fest.

St Vincent de Paul Poor Box - \$98.25
How Do We Care? We visit people at home, in hospitals. We give advice, money, food and clothes to those in need. We reach out to the lonely and alienated.... We are members of the St. Vincent de Paul.

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
Sept. 28 - 8:00 - 1:00
St. Columba Social Center



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. Please join us!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 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. 24 SVDP (KH) 3:30 PM
- Sept. 25 Evangelization (KH) 6:00
- Sept. 27/28 Seminary Collection
- Sept. 28 Bingo (Gym) Doors open at 1:30
- Sept. 29 Faith Sharing (Rectory) 7:00
Fest Worker's Mtg. (KH) 7:00
- Oct. 1 Daisies/Brownies (KH) 2:30
Evangelization (KH) 6:00
- Oct. 4 Blessing of Animals (Pk. Lot) 12:30
- Oct. 5 Florian Fest 12:00—9:00 PM

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
Saturday, Oct. 4 at 12:30

Saint Francis of Assisi wrote a canticle of the creatures — an ode to God's living things and a testimony that animals share in Christ's love of all God's creation: "All praise to you, O Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures." All creatures, great and small — of the earth, sky and sea — O, praise God, the author and giver of every gift, who offered his own son to us as the paschal lamb.

Please be sure to bring your pets for a blessing (near the statue of St. Francis on the south side of the church).

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. Tomaczak, U.S. Navy, LTC PeterAllen 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,

Cub Scout Round-Up - Annunciata Pack 773 will hold an Open House and Registration for boys in Grades 1-5 on Friday, Sept. 26, from 7-8PM at the School Gym, 3750 E. 112th St. Registration fee is \$25. Please contact Joe Cordero at 219/473-9240 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 LUNGeivity Foundation. For more info go to www.LUNGeivity.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