



# St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 9, 2020



## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." - Mt 5:14

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### NOTES FROM FR. JOE

- \* Many people have been VERY kind to visit BARBRA KEINER in the hospital. Visiting people who are sick is a wonderful way to show we follow Jesus.
- \* Next Sunday, Feb 16, we will again have deaf students from CHILDREN OF PEACE/HOLY TRINITY school at our Mass to sign the Bible readings and help at Mass. Please welcome them.
- \* FRI-SUN, March 6-8: Fr. Sean Loomis, a priest from Philadelphia, will give a Lenten Retreat at St. Benedict's Abbey, Benet Lake, WI. Fr. Sean is a wonderful, young priest. He signs very well. St. Benedict's Abbey is a beautiful, peaceful place to go and spend some time with God. Info: FR. CHRIS KLUSMAN, 1-414-501-2022 vp. If you wish to attend, but cannot afford the cost, please contact Fr. Joe asap!
- \* ASH WEDNESDAY is FEB. 26:
  - \* Bring your old palms to church, give them to BRIAN SWATEK. He will burn them to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.
  - \* If you attend an interpreted Mass, ask your interpreter what Masses will be signed on Ash Wednesday.
- \* SUNDAY, MARCH 8<sup>th</sup>, St. Patrick Dinner after the 4pm Mass, St. Julie Billiart.
- \* ELECTRONIC GIVING is an EASY way to contribute to St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center. See JIMMY SMITH. He can make your giving to church each week simple, with no hassles!
- \* APRIL 24-25, 2020 will soon be here. This will be the Mid-West ICDA Conference. Great hotel! Really excellent food. DEACON PAT GRAYBILL will be There. Saturday Mass, same as Sunday Mass!  
[www.deafcatholicjoliet.org](http://www.deafcatholicjoliet.org), [midwesticda2020@gmail.com](mailto:midwesticda2020@gmail.com)
- \* EMERGENCIES: if you are very sick or in great pain, contact 9-1-1. If a loved one is in great pain, has trouble breathing, call 9-1-1. If you cannot use your I-Pad or phone to call 9-1-1, grab the phone on the wall or table, take the receiver off and leave it hang. Do not hang up. Help will come.
- \* SATURDAY, Feb 29, "LENT JOURNEY with DEAF MARY MAGDALENE", wonderful retreat day for women. All in ASL. Mass, 4pm. St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center. INFO: [davant0217@gmail.com](mailto:davant0217@gmail.com).
- \* DCYIA (Deaf Catholic Youth initiative for the Americas) is a wonderful organization. Recently, DCYIA posted sign-language versions of the Our FATHER in a number of different sign-languages: [www.dcyia.net/news-resources-noticias-y-recursos/blog/prayers-in-sign-language-oraciones-en-lengua-de-senas](http://www.dcyia.net/news-resources-noticias-y-recursos/blog/prayers-in-sign-language-oraciones-en-lengua-de-senas)
- \* BE SAFE! Make sure to wash your hands, soap and water, or alcohol spray, every time you cover your mouth from coughing or sneezing, or use the washroom. FLU season, this year, will last until MAY!

If you know of a Deaf person in the hospital or nursing home who would like to see Fr. Joe, please contact Catholic Office of the Deaf at 312-957-4766 vp, 312-534-7899 v, or [cathdeafch@archchicago.org](mailto:cathdeafch@archchicago.org).

HEALING MASS for people with cancer. Each month, there is a special Mass for people with cancer at 11am. Our Lady of Sorrows Basilica, 3121 W. Jackson Blvd, CHGO. (Safe, guarded parking lot.) Please call CATHOLIC OFFICE OF THE DEAF if you need an interpreter. 2nd Saturday of the month SPANISH; 3rd Saturday ENGLISH.

## EVENTS COMING UP

- \* DEAF RETREAT, March 6-8, beautiful St. Benedict Abbey, BENET LAKE, WI (an hour north of Chicago). "JESUS: Spouse of My heart". Rev. Sean A. Loomis, priest for the deaf in Philadelphia. He is a wonderful, young priest. \$140 for room, all meals, supplies. Only 33 spaces! INFO: FR. CHRIS KLUSMAN, klusmanc@archmil.org or (414) 501-2022 VP.
- \* FRI-SAT, APRIL 24-25: ICDA-US Mid-West Conference. Hyatt Regency Hotel, LISLE. SPECIAL PRESENTER: DEACON PATRICK GRAYBILL. Saturday afternoon Mass, same as SUNDAY Mass! Fabulous hotel! INFO: www.deafcatholicjoliet.org (registration, hotel/conference info)
- \* **CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY HAS SEVERAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEAF PEOPLE AND THEIR HEARING FRIENDS & FAMILY TO GET TOGETHER. INFO: EVELYN AT EKEOLIAN@CHIPUBLIB.ORG.**
- \* Many museums in Chicago have FREE DAYS for Illinois residents each month. https://www.choosechicago.com/articles/museums-art/free-museum-days-in-chicago/

PRAYING in DOWNTOWN CHICAGO:  
Monday-Friday, 11am-3pm; pray to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in a small, quiet chapel. Pauline Books, 172 N. Michigan Ave, Chgo. St. Peter's Catholic Church, open everyday, 110 W. Madison, Chgo.

Remember, when the snow comes, keeping sidewalks ice-free is an important way to protect yourself and passersby from injury. It's also the law in Chicago, and many suburban municipalities. Residents & businesses who do not follow this rule could face fines of \$50 to \$500. **Chicago has a Snow Corps for helping seniors and people with disabilities.** To volunteer or request help, go to: [www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/mayor/snowportal/snow\\_corps.html](http://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/mayor/snowportal/snow_corps.html)

If your loved one dies and you need a sign language interpreter for Catholic funeral, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE contact Catholic Office of the Deaf with info! [cathdeafch@archchicago.org](mailto:cathdeafch@archchicago.org) or (312) 534-7899 v or (312) 957-4766 VP



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2020 CENSUS: answering questions for the Census is VERY IMPORTANT. It is our duty as citizens of the USA! If you are not sure how to answer the questions, please see Fr. Joe; go to CHS (Chicago Hearing Society); go to a CIL (Access living, Progress Center, DuPage CIL, etc); see SARITA at Schaumburg Township. The police or the Immigration officers (ICE) cannot use the census information to question or arrest you!

Yesterday, our upper-class students of 7<sup>th</sup> grade and Confirmation Level along with adults went to "Feed My Starving Children". They listened to the reason for this charity and the good it does to many children who are without food. They were shown what this charity does to prepare food for these children from all over the world so more starving children are fed. Our students and parents were shown how to prepare, weigh, and package the nutritional food for shipping. It was an experience many never knew existed.

*Message from Margaret Swatek, Religious Education Reporter*  
*Reflecting on the Word*

Through the use of metaphors, Jesus continues to teach his closest followers. If salt loses its taste, it can't be good for seasoning; if disciples are not worthy followers of Jesus, they can't influence other followers. Considering Jesus' metaphor of being "light," the disciples were being told that they should shine forth as examples in the way that they live and how they treat other people. Jesus' teaching must have challenged his disciples.

*Living the Word*

This week we will observe Valentine's Day. It is traditionally a day when we let people know that we love them. Besides preparing Valentine cards for classmates, friends, and family, ask your children to think about who else might need to know they are loved. Your children might draw a picture or write a short letter to send to them. Such thoughtfulness is sure to brighten the recipients' day.

## 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sun, Feb 16: Mass, 10:30am. Deaf children from Holy Trinity at Mass (Welcome them!!!!) HOT DOG Lunch after Mass. CCE Meeting.  
4pm Mass, St. Julie Billiart. Refreshments.  
Sun, Feb 23: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & Paczki. Mass, 4pm, St. Mary of Vernon.  
Wed, Feb 26: ASH WEDNESDAY. Mass, NOON.  
If you attend an interpreted Mass, please check what time mass will be signed on that day.  
Thurs, Feb 27, 9am-2pm: Senior Citizen Social.  
Sun, Mar 1: 1st Sunday of LENT. Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.

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ST. JULIE Schedule, 4pm Mass: FEB. 9 & 16; MARCH 8 (St. Patrick Party) & 15; APRIL 19.

### Readings for the week of February 9, 2020

Sun Feb 9: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16  
Mon Feb 10: 1 Kgs 8:1-13; Ps 132:6-10; Mk 6:53-56  
Tues Feb 11: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-11; Mk 7:1-13  
Weds Feb 12: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23  
Thurs Feb 13: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-40; Mk 7:24-30  
Fri Feb 14: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-15; Mk 7:31-37  
Sat Feb 15: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10



Children of Peace School is the only Catholic elementary school program for children who are deaf and hard of hearing in the state of Illinois. Their academically challenging curriculum is culturally sensitive and emotionally supportive, serving students from pre-school through 8th grade. INFO:

[www.childrenofpeacechicago.org](http://www.childrenofpeacechicago.org)

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### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Genevieve Balsitis	Carol Fleming
Marijo Wimbush	Bill Ortiga
Hedie Iovito	Barbara Keiner
Frank Mancuso	John Hoberg
Robert Lisante	Sr. Corita Ambro
Claudia Glenn	Theresa Stanis
Esther Stolarski	Majka family
Caroline Goraj	James Mulcrone
William Costello	Joan Christian
Danny Rivera	Drucilla Ronchen
Richard Kush	Carmen Reyes
Arlene Redmond	Dolores Amato
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Mass Every Sunday 10:30am  
At St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center  
Mass at 4:00pm:  
St. Julie Billiart: 2nd & 3rd Sundays every month  
St. Mary of Vernon: 4th Sunday of every month

Take a look at FR. MIKE DEPCIK's web-page, every week: [www.frmd.org](http://www.frmd.org)



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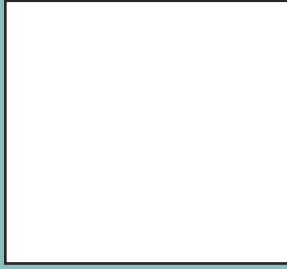
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