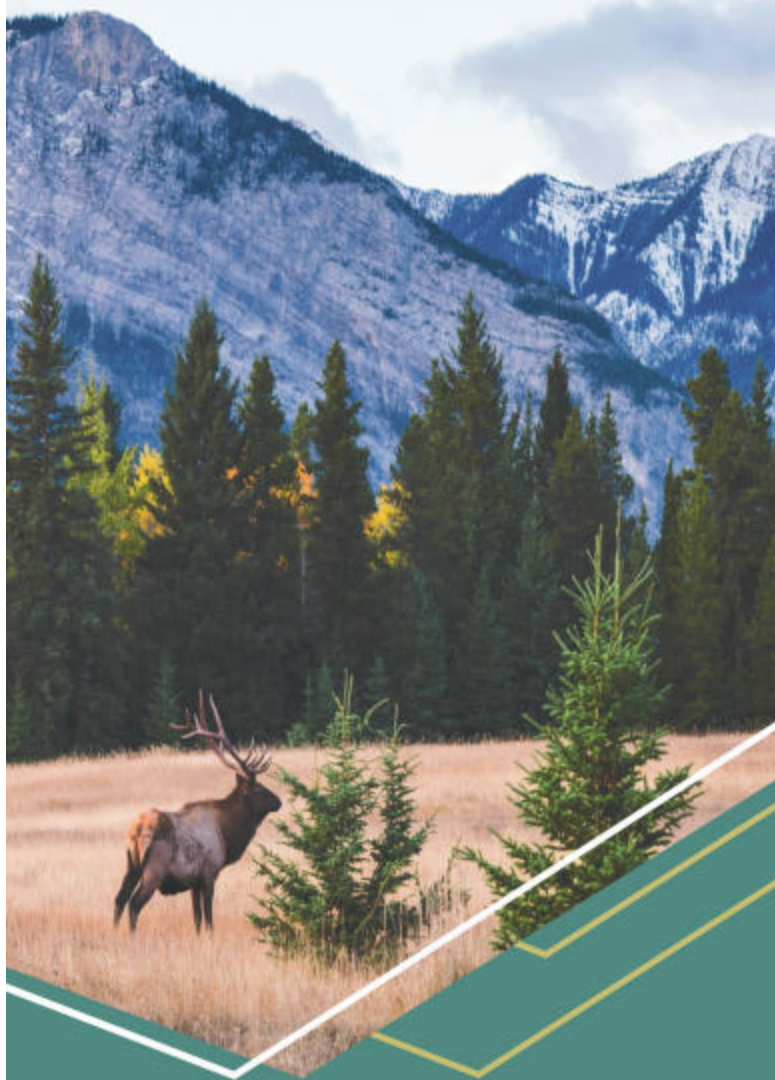




St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 16, 2020



6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow." - Mt 5:33

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass. ©2001, 1988, 1970 CCD.

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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.

NOTES FROM FR. JOE

- ◆ ASH WEDNESDAY is FEB. 26:
 - * NOON Mass, St. Francis Borgia.
 - * 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.
- ◆ OLD SHOES: bring them to St. Francis Borgia to support Children of Peace DEAF program.
- ◆ DRIVERS: make sure to keep your front and rear lights clean and bright. Every time you get gas, wash those lights to protect yourself and others.
- ◆ US CENSUS: there is NO cost for the census. If anyone tells you to pay for the census, slam the door or delete from your email/text/etc. The CENSUS is FREE. Make sure you answer all the census questions. If you do not understand the census form, see Fr. Joe; Sarita Phadke; CHS; Access Living; Progress Center; DuPage CIL; etc.
- ◆ 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!
- ◆ SUNDAY, MARCH 8th, 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, midwesticda2020@gmail.com
- ◆ 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: da-vant0217@gmail.com.
- ◆ PROTECT YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY! Wash your hands with soap/water, or use hand spray. Stop spreading germs for FLU or CORONAVIRUS.

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

- * Mon, Feb 17: Game Day at Swoboda Deaf Center 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Bring your own lunch.
- * FRI, FEB 21: Game Night at Swoboda Deaf Center, 7 to 11 pm.
- * SAT, FEB 29, 10AM-4PM: DEAF WOMEN'S RETREAT. VERY INSPIRING. (TWO MEALS, REGISTRATION: \$40. MASS, SAME AS SUNDAY, 4PM). ST. FRANCIS BORGIA.
- * 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)

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

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 or (312) 534-7899 v or (312) 957-4766 VP



SUN, FEB 16 after Mass
HOT DOG LUNCH or Special Meal
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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 7th 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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Since the middle of January, the Church Liturgical Calendar has gone into Ordinary Time. Many people do not realize that the word "ordinary" here doesn't mean "regular" or "every day." It comes from the fact that the Sundays are numbered with "ordinal numbers" (first, second, third, fourth, etc.) During Ordinary Time, we reflect on the public life of Jesus: His teachings and miracles. We also have many feasts of saints to celebrate.

Lent is the period of forty days leading up to the greatest feast in the Church year—Easter. In a few weeks we will be entering into the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday will be February 26th.

We send big Congratulations to our 1st Communion students: **MARY CAROLE ROMAN, JOSEPH ROSASCO, CHRISTOPHER TREVINO, CHARLOTTE VESELSKY, and LUIS SALGADO** They received their 1st Reconciliation/Confession last Sunday, February 9, 2020. Fr Joe explained again to our four 8-year olds and 2 older students that their Confession to the priest cannot be repeated to ANYONE. Parents were there for the Reconciliation Service and watched their nervous child walk into the sacristy to tell their mistakes. After leaving the room with Fr. Joe the children had smiles on their faces. Then Fr. Joe came out to say the penance with the children. It was a wonderful time and the children feel more loved by God. They will continue their studies as Children's Faith Formation classes continue. The next big step for these 6 students will be First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 26th, 2020.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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.

Sat, Mar 7: turn your clocks AHEAD one hour. Change batteries in your smoke alarms.

Sun, Mar 8: Mass, 10:30 am. Coffee & rolls.

4 pm: Mass St. Julie. St. Patrick Party after Mass. Adult: \$15. Child 8+: \$8. Child 7-: FREE. INFO:

Khmbj23@yahoo.com, jpumpkin22@aol.com, irishgal31@gmail.com

Readings for the week of February 16, 2020

Sun Feb 16: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

Mon Feb 17: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-76; Mk 8:11-13

Tues Feb 18: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-19; Mk 8:14-21

Weds Feb 19: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-5; Mk 8:22-26

Thurs Feb 20: Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33

Fri Feb 21: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34—9:1

Sat Feb 22: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 16:13-19



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

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deafchurchchicago.org or Facebook

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www.swobodadeafcenter.org or Facebook

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www.deafcatholicjoliet.org

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<http://RockfordDiocese.org/DeafApostolate/>

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Robert Lisante

Claudia Glenn

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Caroline Goraj

William Costello

Danny Rivera

Richard Kush

Arlene Redmond

Genevieve Uhren

Peggy Franco

Deacon Casey Fronczek

Deacon Ralph Hinch

Esther Jucha

Mary Brandseth

Robert Royer, who died Feb 5.

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John Hoberg

Sr. Corita Ambro

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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

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