



St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 23, 2020



7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." - Mt 5:44

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass: ©2001, 1998, 1979 CCB.

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NOTES FROM FR. JOE

- ASH WEDNESDAY is FEB. 26: All Catholic churches give ashes on this day; check the schedule of the Catholic church near you.
 - * NOON Mass, St. Francis Borgia.
 - * If you attend an interpreted Mass, ask your interpreter what Masses will be signed on Ash Wednesday.
- Rules for Catholics:
ASH WEDNESDAY & ALL FRIDAYS of Lent: NO meat for persons 14 and older. ASH WEDNESDAY: people 18-59, one large, two small meals; no eating between meals.
- WEDNESDAYS IN LENT (beginning MARCH 4): "Heroes of Our Catholic Faith" each week, we will look at people who truly lived their Catholic Faith.
St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center: 1-2:30pm, talk & discussion.
NOON: bring your lunch. FREE coffee/hot water. Voice/sign.
St. Julie Billiart: 7-8:30pm. 6pm: FREE salad/pizza. Voice/sign.
- 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.
- SUNDAY, MARCH 1: Mass, 10:30am. NOON: STATIONS OF THE CROSS & BENEDICTION (special blessing) of the Blessed Sacrament.
- 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!
- 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. This will be a wonderful gathering for us, deaf people from all over the Mid-West. Saturday Mass, same as Sunday Mass! www.deafcatholicjoliet.org, mid-westicda2020@gmail.com
- PROTECT YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY! Wash your hands with soap/water, or use hand spray. Stop spreading germs for FLU or CORONAVIRUS.
- ST. MARY OF VERNON, INDIAN CREEK has "Fish Fry" ALL the FRIDAYS of Lent, beginning at 5pm. MARCH 20 will be a special night for our deaf community. However, you are welcome to come ANY Friday.

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.

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

- * 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.

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!

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

Hot Dog Lunch was another success. Our special meal, Sloppy Joe, went over very well. Thank you everyone who supported our effort in providing a warm meal for you after Mass. It was a pleasure to serve you and hope you save April 5th for our End-of-Year Hot Dog Finale. Details will be mentioned in the bulletin as the date comes near.

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

Message from Margaret Swatek, Religious Education Reporter

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflecting on the Word

The automatic reaction to injury is to lash out with angry words or actions. Christ turns this reaction on its head. Being His follower is not easy. Reaching the perfection that Jesus speaks of will require us asking God for help sometimes.

ON THE WAY TO MASS: What does it mean to love your enemy? Do you think that will be easy or hard to do?

ON THE WAY HOME FROM MASS: How did you understand Jesus' words? How would you follow Jesus' words in today's Gospel?

Living the Word Pray for those who have hurt you this week. Ask each family member to write down the names of one or more people who have hurt them (it could be recently or a long time ago) and put the slips of paper in a basket on our prayer table. Pray for those people every night (if you feel comfortable, choose a few slips each night and read the names aloud). At the end of the week, discuss how it felt to pray for those who have injured you. Why does Jesus ask us to love our enemies? How is that a step toward peace?

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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.

Weds, Mar 4: "HEROES OF OUR FAITH" SFB, 1 TO 2:30 pm; SJB, 7 TO 8:30 pm

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:

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Readings for the week of February 23, 2020

Sun Feb 23: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Mon Feb 24: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-15; Mk 9:14-29

Tues Feb 25: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11, 23; Mk 9:30-37

Weds Feb 26: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6, 12-17; 2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs Feb 27: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-6; Lk 9:22-25

Fri Feb 28: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Sat Feb 29: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32



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www.deafcatholicjoliet.org

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

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Danny Rivera

Richard Kush

Arlene Redmond

Genevieve Uhren

Peggy Franco

Deacon Casey Fronczek

Deacon Ralph Hinch

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Donna Taylor, who died Feb 16. Tony Cozza (father of Lisa White) who died Feb 17.

Carol Fleming

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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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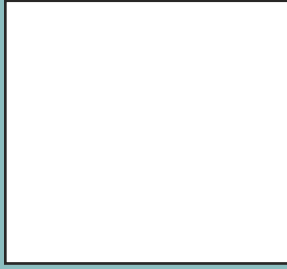
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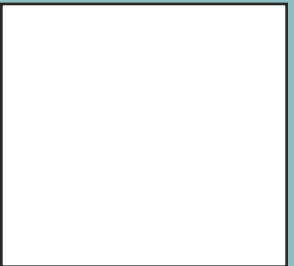
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