

**ST. FRANCIS BORGIA DEAF CENTER, 8025 W. ADDISON**

**FEBRUARY 8, 2015**

**5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday of Church Time**

WED, 2/11, 7pm: Memorial Mass for TERESA MILEK, Fr. Rich's mom died in Poland. Large church. Seating reserved for the deaf. Please come to the Mass. Fr. Rich, our pastor, has been VERY supportive of our deaf community.

WED, Feb 18, is ASH WEDNESDAY. Bring your old palms and give to Brian Swatek. He will burn them for Ash Wednesday. All Catholic Churches have Ash Wednesday services (St. Peter's, downtown Chicago, ALL DAY!). DEAF at St. Francis Borgia: NOON, Mass/Ashes. 2pm: Prayer Service/Ashes (large church). NO evening Deaf Mass.

MASSSES with ARCHBISHOP BLASE CUPICH: special seating for deaf. MUST contact Catholic Office for RSVP.

MON, Feb 9, 7pm: St. Domitilla Church, 4940 Washington St, Hillside.

THURS, 2/12, 7pm: St. John Brebuef Church, 8300 N. Harlem, Niles.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

Wed, 2/11: 8:30am, Stuff Lent letters. Coffee & rolls.

7pm, Memorial Mass, large church.

Sun, 2/15: Mass, 10:30am. FR. ROBERTO MERCADO. Refreshments.

NO Mass, St. Julie Billiart.

Wed, 2/18: ASH WED. (See information above.)

Sun, 2/22: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls. 4pm Mass, St. Mary of Vernon.

Tues, 2/24, 11am-2pm: Lent Bible Study. Bring your lunch; we have coffee/tea.

Bring a dessert to share. At Swoboda Center, 7050 W. Belmont.

Thurs, 2/26, 9am-2pm: Senior Citizen Social.

Sun, Mar. 1: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls after Mass.

PRAY FOR...retired Pope Benedict, Cardinal George, Sr. Alverna Hollis, Rabbi Goldhamer, George Lastrico, Tom Curtin, Balsitis sisters, Anthony Ariano, Sylvia Kolinek, Donna Taylor, Frank & Evelyn Rzasa, Marie Volpentesta, Carol Fleming, Flo Angelucci, Danny Binion, Guadalupe Pineda, Mark Kubey; Marion Lundy (83), mother of TOM LUNDY, died 1/28.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING for Senior Citizens, PERSONS with DISABILITIES 18 or older, or Veterans: 312-655-7440, [www.catholiccharities.net/housing](http://www.catholiccharities.net/housing)

**READ YOUR BIBLE:**

2/8: Job 7:1-7, Psalm 147, 1 Corinthians 9:16-23, Mark 1:29-39

2/9: Genesis 1:1-19/ Mark 6:53-56

2/10: St. SCHOLASTICA (543) Genesis 1:20-2:4/ Mark 7:1-13

2/11: Genesis 2:4-9, 15-17/ Mark 7:14-23. OUR LADY of LOURDES (World day to pray for Sick People).

2/12: Genesis 2:18-25/ Mark 7:24-30 2/13: Genesis 3:1-8/ Mark 7:31-37

2/14: Gen. 3:9-24/Mark 8:1-10. Saints CYRIL & METHODIUS (brothers, 869)

2/15: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46/ Psalm 32/ 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1, Mark 1:40-45

## **SOME NOTES from FR. JOE:**

1) Next Sunday, I will be in San Luis Potosi, Mexico to meet with the deaf community there. FR. ROBERTO MERCADO will celebrate the Mass. Fr. Roberto is learning sign-language. I hope all of you will welcome him! IF there is an emergency while I am gone, please contact Catholic Office of the Deaf immediately.

2) FESTIVAL of FORGIVENESS, NOON 2/27-NOON, 2/28. 24 churches/24 hours. Twenty-four churches (including St. Francis Borgia) will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) for 24 hours, no breaks. There will always be a priest(s) available for Confessions during that time. (For a complete list of churches, go to [www.archchicago.org](http://www.archchicago.org). On SATURDAY, MARCH 7, Fr. Chris Klusman, deaf priest from Milwaukee will be at St. Francis Borgia for Confessions, NOON-2pm.

3) Live in Suburban Cook County? PROGRESS CENTER serves persons with disabilities and deaf people. Two Deaf Advocates: Carol Nemecek, Rychell Barnes. [info@progresscil.org](mailto:info@progresscil.org), [www.progresscil.org](http://www.progresscil.org) Two locations: 7521 Madison St., FOREST PARK, 12940 S. Western Ave, BLUE ISLAND.

4) FRI., 2/20, 7pm: MARY O'MEARA from the Archdiocese of Washington, DC will give a FREE presentation, "Special needs, Religious Education and Me." Swoboda Deaf Center, 7050 W. Belmont, Chgo. Pizza/pop/coffee. MUST RSVP by 2/18: [maggiedre@gmail.com](mailto:maggiedre@gmail.com). I (Fr. Joe) have known Mary for many years. She is the mother of four children, an excellent presenter, and is very involved in the DC Deaf community.

5) There are still tickets available for HAWTHORNE RACE EVENT to support HOLY TRINITY DEAF SCHOOL. Sat., 2/21, NOON-5pm. Excellent food, great raffles with many prizes. Info: [drussell@childrenofpeaceschool.org](mailto:drussell@childrenofpeaceschool.org).

6) SUN, MARCH 8...ST. PATRICK LUNCHEON, St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center after 10:30am Mass. [Barbara.keiners@yahoo.com](mailto:Barbara.keiners@yahoo.com)

7) CHS (Chicago Hearing Society) offers FREE Tax Assistance, Saturdays, March 7, 14, and 21. Appointment required: 773-904-0143vp, [keischen@anixter.org](mailto:keischen@anixter.org)

8) Recently, the parent of a deaf person died. As soon as the deaf person knew the funeral plans, he contacted the Catholic Office of the Deaf. Our Office was able to get an interpreter for the funeral. If you need an interpreter for a wake/funeral, please contact us as soon as possible, otherwise, we may not be able to find an available interpreter.

9) DEAF COFFEE SOCIALS this week: DUPPIES, on Friday, Feb 13, 7 pm at Crossroads Bar & Grill, 1120 W. Madison, Chicago; NEXT Sunday, Feb. 15, 2 pm at Starbucks, 519 Main Street, Evanston.

10) RIT/NTID Alumni of Chicago – REUNION! Saturday March 7, 7 pm at Swoboda Deaf Center, 7050 W. Belmont, Chicago. \$8 per person. MUST RSVP: [http://alumni.rit.edu/s/1624/index.aspx?sid=1624&gid=1&pgid=1642&content\\_id=981](http://alumni.rit.edu/s/1624/index.aspx?sid=1624&gid=1&pgid=1642&content_id=981)