

**ST. FRANCIS BORGIA DEAF CENTER, 8025 W. ADDISON**  
**November 27, 2016**                      **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
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THIS SAT, DEC.3, NOON-2PM: Fr. Christopher Klusman, deaf priest, will be at St. Francis Borgia for Reconciliation (Confessions). Please come before 1:30pm, since Fr. Chris must leave by 2pm.

**CHRISTMAS PARTIES:**

- ❖ SUN, 12/4: CCE Christmas party after 10:30am Mass. Deadline: TODAY! See BRIAN SWATEK.
- ❖ SATURDAY, 12/10: the celebration of OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE. MASS, 6pm in our chapel; after Mass, a FREE FIESTA for everyone! Please sign-up to bring a food dish to share that evening!!!! (See MS. CARMEN REYES for what to bring.)
- ❖ SUNDAY, 12/11: ST. JULIE DEAF CHRISTMAS Party after 4pm Mass. Great food; fun day. RSVP: Deadline is 12/4! Khmbj23@yahoo.com, csweens13@aol.com

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

FRI, DEC 2: Joliet Catholic Deaf Christmas party.

SAT, DEC 3: CONFESSIONS (see above)

SUN, DEC 4: Mass, 10:30am. CCE Christmas party after Mass.

THURS, DEC 8: Immaculate Conception. NOON Mass.

SAT, DEC 10: OUR LADY of GUADALUPE MASS, 6PM. Fiesta follows.

SUN, DEC 11: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.

Mass, 4pm (Confessions, 3pm), St. Julie Billiart. Christmas party.

TUES, DEC 13, 11am-4pm: Senior Citizen Christmas party. Porretta's, 3718 N.

Central, CHGO. RSVP: 708-223-2125vp, langstonannette@gmail.com

SAT, DEC 17, 1-3PM: Fr. Joe, Confessions, St. Francis Borgia.

SUN, DEC 18: Mass, 10:30am. "COOKIE WALK".

NO Mass, St. Julie.

PRAY FOR....Arlene Redmond, Fidel Martinez, Anthony Ariano, Evelyn Rzasa, Susan Postl, Charlotte Seegert, Mark & Diane Kubey, Jim Mulcrone, Marilyn Johnson, Donna Taylor, Majka family, Genevieve Balsitis, Carolyn Goraj, Bob Healy, Bob Ryan, Frank Mancuso, George Lastrico, Marie Volpentesta, Sylvia Kolinek, Tom Sisk, Lee Husted, Danny Rivera, Victor Uhren

**READ YOUR BIBLE...ESPECIALLY TO PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS!**

11/27: Isaiah 2:1-5p; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

11/28: Isaiah 4:2-6; Psalm 122; Matthew 8:5-11

11/29: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72; Luke 10:21-24

11/30: Romans 10:9-18; Psalm 19; Matthew 4:18-22. St. Andrew (Apostle, died near year 100).

12/1: Isaiah 26:1-6; Psalm 118; Matthew 7:21-27. Blessed Charles de Foucauld (murdered 1916).

12/2: Isaiah 29:17-24; Psalm 27; Matthew 9:7-13

12/3: Isaiah 30:19-21; Psalm 147; Matthew 9:35-10:1. St. Francis Xavier (1552).

12/4: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

START TODAY! Read one chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel EACH DAY. This is a wonderful preparation for a holy Christmas!

IF you did NOT get your flu shot, please do not delay! The weather now is making the risk of flu greater. Get your shot as soon as possible. Wash your hands! Also.... This Sunday we will stop giving the Cup at Mass till the beginning of Lent. We do this to prevent spreading germs.

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

1) NO ONE IS PERFECT; only GOD! That is why God gave us the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Jesus gave Catholic priests then power to forgive sins, all sins, any sins: great or small, little or terrible. The best way to prepare for Christmas is to come to Confession and ask God to forgive your sins.

- FR. CHRIS KLUSMAN will be here next Saturday, 12/3, Noon-2pm.
- FR. JOE MULCRONE will be here for Confessions, 12/17, 1-3pm.
- FR. ROBERTO is certainly willing to forgive your sins; just ask.
- MSGR NELSON has a schedule for deaf Confessions:  
<http://RockfordDiocese.org/DeafApostolate/>

2) Do NOT – NEVER! – text/read texts while driving. This risks your life and the lives of others.

3) HELP OUT DEAF/DISABLED PERSONS who are in the Mabley Center, DIXON, IL. RICHARD KUSH, DEACON CASEY FRONCZEK, BRIAN SWATEK ask people to take a sheet with a person's name and what they want for Christmas. The gifts do NOT have to cost a lot. Most of these people have nowhere to go at Christmas. So, the Christmas party for them on 12/10 is very important.

4) WARM CLOTHES for ABUSED CHILDREN. There are many children who suffered terrible abuse (sexual, physical). They need WARM clothes for the winter. We are collecting – coats, sweaters, warm socks, mittens, scarves, hats, and sweats/hoodies – NEW or HOME-MADE ONLY. Do NOT wrap. Boys/girls, ages 3-16. Last Sunday to donate is 12/11.

5) CONGRATULATIONS to...TK & STELLA HILL for doing the readings at the Mass for the Deaf at NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY on 11/9. FR. CHRIS KLUSMAN celebrated the Mass. This was the 1<sup>st</sup> time there was ever a Mass for and with deaf people at Notre Dame!

6) There is a new law in Illinois called the CARE ACT. That law helps people care for loved ones and NOT lose their jobs!

7) SHOPPING? A few hints...park your car under or near overhead lights...when you leave the store, have your car keys in your hand...put gifts in trunk, purse under your seat, get in the car, lock the doors, drive away. Do NOT sit in your car texting or writing in your check book.

8) MEDICARE RULES: if you are signing up to begin Medicare in 2017, you must do so by 12/15/16. If you wish to switch your part "D" Drug Plan, you must do so by 12/7/16. If you need to sign up for Affordable Health Insurance, go to [GetCoveredIllinois.gov](http://GetCoveredIllinois.gov).

9) CONGRATULATIONS to LEANDRA WILLIAMS (sign language interpreter). Her dedication to the deaf community has allowed her to earn a PhD from Gallaudet University.

10) DEAF COFFEE SOCIALS this week: WEDS, Nov 30, 7 pm at BLAZE PIZZA, 830 W. Belmont, Chicago.

11) DRIVERS: keep your headlights/tail lights clean throughout the winter. This helps you see people AND people see you!