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CHECK YOUR HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

Sat, Dec 19, 1-3pm: Fr. Joe will be in the chapel for Confessions.

Sun, Dec 20: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.

NO Mass, St. Julie Billiart.

Thurs, Dec 24, CHRISTMAS EVE:

4pm, St. Francis Borgia. Birthday for Jesus!

8pm, St. Julie Billiart, 7399 W. 159th, TINLEY PARK. Refreshments.

Fri, CHRISTMAS, Dec 25: 10:30am Mass, St. Francis Borgia. Refreshments.

Sun, Dec.27: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls. FR. MIKE DEPCIK. Family blessing

4pm Mass, St. Mary of Vernon, Rt.45, INDIAN CREEK. Refreshments.

Thurs, Dec 31: Mass, 4pm, St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center. Coffee & refreshments.

Fri, Jan 1, 2016: Mass, 10:30am. Pray for PEACE! Refreshments.

Sun, Jan 3: Mass of the Three Kings 10:30am. Rosca de reyes!

ATTEND AN INTERPRETED MASS? Check with your interpreter. Many parishes change their schedule for Christmas and New Year’s Masses. Also, check Catholic Office of the Deaf Facebook page for updates on special interpreted Masses.

WARNING from the ILLINOIS STATE POLICE! The State Police will be very strict about all traffic laws in Illinois, especially NOW: speeding, DUI, not wearing seat belts, texting/reading texts while driving, no insurance (BIG FINE!), talking on phones!

CHRISTMAS MASS/CONFESSION SCHEDULES for DEAF People:

- ❖ JOLIET DEAF CATHOLICS: www.deafcatholicjoliet.org
- ❖ DIOCESE OF ROCKFORD: <http://RockfordDiocese.org/DeafApostolate/>
- ❖ DIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE: www.catholicdeafwis.org

Pray for...Nathan Kucera, Paul Seegert, Susan Postl, George & Laverne Lastrico, Fidel Martinez, Anthony Ariano, Bob Healy, John & Sylvia Kolinek, Balsitis sisters, Donna Taylor, Marie Volpentesta, Evelyn Rzasa, Mark Kubey, Majka family.

ST. JULIE SCHEDULE: 2016

January 10th: 4pm Deaf Mass. January 17: NO Mass.

February 14 & 21: 4pm Deaf Masses.

March 13th, 4pm Mass. NO Mass March 20th.

READ YOUR BIBLE, especially during ADVENT:

The Church picks special readings for this season. Take the time each day to open your Bible, read these selections, and then think about God’s message to YOU!

12/13: Zephaniah 3:14-18; Isaiah 12:2-6, Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18

12/14: Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17; Matthew 21:123-27. St. John of the Cross (1591)

12/15: Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13; Matthew 21:28-32

12/16: Isaiah 45: 6-25; Luke 7:18-23

12/17: Genesis 49:2, 8-10; Matthew 1:1-17

12/18: Jeremiah 23: 5-8; Matthew 1:18-25

12/19: Judges 13:2-7, 24-25; Luke 1:5-25

12/20: Micah 5: 1-4; Psalm 80; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45

NOT TOO LATE to...get a flu shot! Protect yourself and your family.

SOME NOTES FROM FR. JOE:

1) On Dec. 1st, Sr. Alverna Hollis, O.P, died. Sr. Alverna spent most of her life as a Dominican Sister working with deaf people. For the last 8 years, she had suffered from a brain disease that hurt her ability to communicate. At her funeral, one of her Sisters wrote, "Now she can communicate with everyone!". I was very privileged to have known her and worked with her for so many years. "May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

2) "I am a sinner," Fr. Joe Mulcrone. I need God's forgiveness as much as any of you! Next Saturday, I will be in the chapel, 1-3pm for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). I do NOT judge anyone because I know I stand before God's judgment. Even if you have been away from the Church for a long time, do not be afraid. God is merciful!

3) This time of the year, families realize that someone has a problem with...too much drinking...using illegal drugs. ARD (Addiction Recovery of the Deaf) can HELP a person become healthy again, sober. If you need help, contact ARD. If you have a family member or friend who needs help, contact ARD. Sylvia Orozco, Counselor, at 773-904-0105 vp, or Leslie Thomas, Manager, at 773-227-8530 voice, or 773-796-6769 VP. You can also fax them at 773-549-0351. Please help others by passing the information on!

4) DON'T FORGET! YOUR Christmas donation to St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center keeps our Center OPEN! YOUR Christmas gift helps us continue to serve you and so many other deaf people. Please be generous this year!

5) THANKS to...TOM SISK for his wonderful leadership of our Senior Citizens for many years...MARY ANN KULA, BARBARA KEINER, ANNETTE LANGSTON, JIM SMITH, BARBARA PACHOUREK, BEATRICE BARAJAS, BRIAN SWATEK, JENNIFER VESELSKY for the wonderful CCE Christmas party last Sunday...BRIAN SWATEK for helping out one of our deaf couples stranded because of car problems...MRS. CARMEN REYES who works so hard to arrange for OUR LADY of GUADALUPE Feast...the SIGN-LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS who serve our community.

6) CHRISTMAS EVE PARKING! Thursday afternoon, 12/24, we will have a 4pm Mass. There will be a 5pm Mass in the hearing church. We want you to park on the ADDISON (north side) ST. side of the chapel and the parking lot. We will have our "Deaf Security Team" out in the parking lot to direct traffic! This will be the same for DEC.31st, NEW YEAR'S EVE.

7) BEAUTIFUL EXHIBIT: Sat-Sun, 12/19-20, 1-4pm: Exhibit of different Christmas mangers, many hand-made. FREE. Irish Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox, CHGO.

8) CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS from Holy Name Cathedral will be closed-captioned on Channel 9 (WGN). Christmas Eve 4 pm Mass at Old St. Patrick's Church at Adams & Des Plaines will have a sign language interpreter.

9) Fr. Mike Depcik's v-log has wonderful messages for Advent. frmd.org.

