

**ST. FRANCIS BORGIA DEAF CENTER, 8025 W. ADDISON
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 17, 2017**

Do you attend an INTERPRETED MASS? Check with your sign-language interpreter re: CHRISTMAS NEW YEAR'S Schedule at YOUR church. Many churches change their schedule during the holidays.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Sun, Dec 17: Mass 10:30 am. Rel Ed classes 9 to 10:15. Parent sign class.

CONFESSIONS WITH FR. ROBERTO 9 AM TO 10 AM.

Sun, Dec. 24: Mass 10:30 am

Sun, Dec: 31: Mass 10:30am at SFB. Fr. Michael Depcik celebrant.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

- ❖ SUN, DEC 24: Mass, 4pm, St. Francis Borgia. "Birthday party for Jesus"
Mass, 8pm, St. Julie. Refreshments.
- ❖ MON, DEC 25: Christmas Mass, 10:30am. Refreshments.
NO Mass at St. Mary of Vernon.
- ❖ SUN, DEC 31: 5pm Mass. Fr. Joe Mulcrone celebrant. Open House after
Mass. FREE.

Sun, Jan 7: Mass 10:30 am. Coffee & rolls after Mass.

Sun, Jan. 14: Mass, 10:30 am. Coffee & rolls after Mass. Mass. 4pm at St. Julie's.

INTERPRETED MASS LIST FOR CHRISTMAS/NEW YEARS:

CATHOLIC OFFICE of the DEAF: deafchurchchicago.org

JOLIET DEAF CATHOLICS: www.deafcatholicjoliet.org

DIOCESE OF ROCKFORD: <http://RockfordDiocese.org/DeafApostolate/>

PRAY FOR: Lenae Leseberg, Lori Patyk, Genevieve Balsitis, Marilyn Johnson, Bob Healy, Penny Hendee, Susan Postl, Paul & Charlotte Seegert, Mary Ann Kula, Donna Taylor, Leandra Williams, Claudia Glenn, Theresa Stanis, Esther Stolarski, Majka family, Caroline Goraj, James Mulcrone, William Costello, Bob Ryan, Mark & Diane Kubey, Danny Rivera, Lee Husted, Mary Jane Ryan, Schelag Foler, John Hoberg, Drucilla Ronchen, Kevin Ronchen, Arlene Redmond, Dolores Amato, Clarence Whitt, Elena Sabbia, Peggy Crotty, Joan Christian, Genevieve Uhren, Nicole Arendt, Fr. Michael Hayduk.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF December 17, 2017

Sun Dec 17: Is 61:1-11; (Ps) Lk 1:46-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28.

Mon Dec 18: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-19; Mt 1:18-25.

Tues Dec 19: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25; Ps 71:3-6, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25.

Weds Dec 20: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38.

Thurs Dec 21: Sg 2:8-14; Ps 33:2-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45. St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church.

Fri Dec 22: 1 Sm 1:24-28; (Ps) 1 Sam 2:1-8; Lk 1:46-56.

Sat Dec 23: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-14; Lk 1:57-66. St. John of Kanty, Priest.

For Sunday reflections on the readings visit Fr. Mike Depcik's web-page:

WWW.FRMD.ORG

If you know of a Deaf person in the hospital or nursing home who would like to see Fr. Roberto, please contact Catholic Office of the Deaf at 312-957-4766 vp, 312-534-7899 v, or cathdeafch@archchicago.org.

SOME NOTES FROM FR. ROBERTO

During this time of the year, we attend holiday parties, social events. We have to be careful. If we have several drinks, we should NOT be driving home. Alcohol with a lot of food makes us feel very drowsy. It is easy for us to fall asleep at the wheel or to drive through a red light or STOP sign.

LITTLE RED CYRANO: an apocalyptic clown comedy for all audiences – new play, LIVE THEATRE, featuring d/Deaf actors. At Strawdog Theatre, 1802 W Berenice, Chicago now thru Jan. 7. INFO: <https://redtheater.org/red-cyrano/>

SAFETY CHECK: replace old outdoor lights NOW, before the snow/ice come...make sure you replaced the batteries in your smoke alarms...do NOT put cans of kerosene, paint, thinner, grease near the furnace, hot water heater, washer/dryer...make sure your fire extinguisher is up to date...clean out OUTSIDE vents for washer/dryer.

DRIVERS: It is dark earlier in the afternoons. Slow down, especially near schools and parks. Never text/read texts while driving. Never use your cell phone while driving.

CHICAGO HEARING SOCIETY HAS MOVED! Visit the new office at 1444 W. Willow St, Chicago. (At Elston and Willow – 2 blocks from the Clybourn Metra stop and 2 blocks from North Avenue)
Phone numbers are the same: VP: 773.904.0154, V: 773.248.9121
Open Monday to Friday 9 am to 5 pm.

WARNING!!! There are a number of SCAMS on computers, emails, facebook, etc. US GOVERNMENT, IRS, SOCIAL SECURITY will NEVER contact you by email or computer. These government offices will NEVER ask you to send money through a computer. Never, NEVER give anyone on a computer your Social Security #, your Bank account # unless you know who this is.

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.

Winter is the perfect time to enjoy the beauty and energy at a local conservatory. There are several conveniently located close to public transportation. FREE (donations accepted). Garfield Park Conservatory, 300 N. Central Park Ave. 312-746-5100, garfieldconservatory.org; Lincoln Park Conservatory, 2391 N. Stockton Drive 312-742-7736, lincolnparkconservancy.org; Oak Park Conservatory, 615 Garfield St. 708-725-2400, oakparkconservatory.org

EVENTS COMING UP

- TODAY! Sun, Dec. 17: CHICAGOLAND DEAF SENIORS Christmas luncheon. 12 to 4 pm at Manzo's in Des Plaines. \$25/person. INFO: ecqqke@aol.com.
- Mon, Dec. 18: GAME DAY at Swoboda Deaf Center. 9 am to 3 pm. \$2 admission. Bring your own lunch.
- Sun, Dec. 31 – Let's Groove Our Way NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY at Swoboda Deaf Center, 7050 W. Belmont. 7 pm to 1 am. Dress for 1970s style. Early bird tix to Dec. 17; ticket deadline Dec 27. INFO: http://www.swobodadeafcenter.org/?page_id=117 or Facebook
- Sat, Jan 6, 2018: 2-7pm: The Day of Three Wise Kings. St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center. Wonderful for FAMILIES! \$15 RSVP: IDLA.response@gmail.com