

NEXT SUNDAY, 6/25, "Good-Bye" to Fr. Richard Milek our pastor. Fr. Rich has been here for 6 years, and ALWAYS supported our deaf community. Pray for him as he goes to his next assignment. Deaf are VERY welcome in the hall!

JULY 1, 2017, FR. ROBERTO MERCADO becomes the Director of the Catholic Office of the Deaf. He also becomes the pastor of St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center. Fr. Joe Mulcrone becomes a retired priest of the Archdiocese. If you have questions, problems, requests, you contact FR. ROBERTO, not Fr. Joe. Fr. Joe will continue to live at St. Francis Borgia. He will continue to visit the sick, people who are in hospitals and nursing homes. If you need Fr. Joe for a funeral, or to see someone in the hospital, you FIRST contact the Catholic Office of the Deaf. The Office will let Fr. Joe know. Fr. Joe wants to know about anyone who is sick or in the hospital. However, Fr. Roberto also wants to know this information. For weddings, Quincinieras, etc, contact FR. ROBERTO MERCADO at the Catholic Office of the Deaf or his email at: rmercado@archchicago.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

THURS, June 22, 9am-3pm: Senior Citizen Social.

SUN, June 25; Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.

Mass, 4pm, St. Mary of Vernon. Refreshments.

SUN-THURS, June 25-29: ICDA/US Conference in St. Louis, MO.

SUN, July 2: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.

SAT, July 8: Tribute to FIDEL MARTINEZ, 2 to 9 pm at SFB.

SUN, July 9: Mass, 10:30am. WELCOME BACK, FR. ROBERTO! Refreshments.

Mass, 4pm. St. Julie Billiart. Refreshments.

SUN, July 16: Mass, 10:30am. FR. JOE RETIREMENT PARTY till 4pm!

SUN, July 23: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.

Mass, 4pm, St. Mary of Vernon.

THURS, 7/27, 9am-3pm: Senior Citizen Social.

SAT, July 29, NOON to dusk. Catholic Deaf Picnic. St. Francis Borgia.

4pm Mass (same as Sunday Mass.) Rain or shine!

SUN, July 30: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.

PRAY FOR: Lori Patyk, Rabbi Doug Goldhamer, Sylvia Kolinek, Genevieve Balsitis, Marilyn Johnson, Anthony Ariano, Bob Healy, Susan Postl & Charlotte Seegert, Evelyn Rzasas, Donna Taylor, Leandra Williams, Theresa Stanis, 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. Jim Kinzig, age 74, who died June 6.

READ YOUR BIBLE TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR LIVES:

7/18: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16; Psalm 147; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

7/19: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 5:38-42. St. Romuald (1027).

7/20: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Matthew 5:43-48

7/21: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18. St. Aloysius Gonzaga (1591).

7/22: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15. St. Paulinus, St. John Fisher, St. Thomas More.

7/23: Deuteronomy 7:6-11; Psalm 103; 1 John 4:7-16; Matthew 11:25-30. THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

7/24: Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 139; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80. The Birth of John the Baptist.

7/25: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 69; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33

SOME NOTES FROM FR. JOE:

1) This Sunday, we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus. The old name was in Latin, "CORPUS CHRISTI (Body of Christ)". In the Catholic and Orthodox Churches, we believe that Holy Communion is truly receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, Son of God. Many other Christian Churches will say that it is only bread and wine, a "symbol of God". NO! Catholics follow the true teaching of the Bible. Jesus said, "This is My Body. This is My Blood." We are so blessed to be able to receive Jesus into our lives each time we come to Mass!

2) Fri, JUNE 24, is the feast of The Most SACRED HEART of JESUS. As Catholic Christians, we celebrate the great love Jesus showed us by offering His life on the Cross to forgive our sins. Each time we CONFESS our sins to a priest, God forgives us, takes away our sins. Why? Because of the wonderful sacrifice of His Son Jesus on the Cross.

3) NATIONAL DEAF HOTLINE: there is now a national Deaf Hotline available 24/7 for Deaf, Deaf Blind, Deaf & Disabled, and Hard of hearing individuals to report domestic violence, rape, sexual assault, and dating abuse. True confidential. 855-812-1001vp, Instant messenger - DeafHotline, nationaldeafhotline@adwas.org

4) DEAF PEOPLE & MEDICAID: many deaf people receive health insurance from MEDICARE or SSI/SSD. However, in many deaf families, people get their health insurance from MEDICAID, especially children. President Trump and some people in Congress want to cut Medicaid funds by almost half! This is a HUGE threat against people who are deaf, disabled, veterans, children who are sick, and others. Pay attention to the news about MEDICAID & the GOVERNMENT.

5) SURPRISED! The deaf people at St. Julie Billiart had a surprise "Retirement party" for me last Sunday. I was really surprised, and had no idea of their plans. Thanks to all of them for a very nice Sunday!

6) PAINFUL. Right now, there is a very serious disagreement between IAD (Illinois Association of the Deaf) and IRID (Illinois Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf). There are good people on BOTH sides of this argument. Yet, there have been a lot of hurt feelings and, I think, some misunderstanding. Let us pray for WISDOM, PATIENCE, and RESPECT for each other during these difficult discussions.

7) EAT HEALTHY! Shop ALL summer at Farmers' markets:
EVERY TUESDAY, Federal Plaza, Downtown CHICAGO.
EVERY THURSDAY, Daley Plaza, Downtown CHICAGO.
EVERY FRIDAY, American Indian Gallery, corner of Schaumburg/Roselle Rds, SCHAUMBURG.

Find a Farmer's Market near you:

<http://www.agr.state.il.us/agrihappenings/display2.php> or

http://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/farmersmarkets0.html

9) DEAF COFFEE SOCIALS this week: TODAY, June 18, 2 pm at Starbucks, 519 Main Street, Evanston.

10) Plenty of fun inexpensive family activities in Chicago for the summer. MOVIES IN THE PARK, every Tuesday at Millennium Park, and other days around the city, plays films with captions.
https://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/millennium_park7.html
<http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/events/movies/>