

ST. FRANCIS BORGIA DEAF CENTER, 8025 W. ADDISON
November 9, 2008 **Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Rome)**

Next Sun, 11/16:

- 1) 10:30am Mass. Delicious Hot turkey dinner after Mass. CCE meeting follows.
- 2) 4pm Mass, St. Julie Billiart. Refreshments. Buy Christmas Party tickets for 12/21.

WARM CLOTHES for SEXUALLY ABUSED CHILDREN: each year we collect new or home-made clothes for children who have suffered sexual abuse. We will collect these clothes on 11/17, 23, 30 & Dec. 7th. We need: hats, mittens, scarves, sweaters, coats, or sweat clothes. For boys or girls, ages 3-14. Do NOT wrap in a package. Put in a bag and label, e.g., "boy, 9", "girl, 11". All the clothes go to The Chicago Children's Advocacy Center.

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER, Nov. 27: each year, we have a wonderful custom at St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center. We provide a free, delicious Thanksgiving meal for everyone who comes to our door that day. If you know someone who is alone on Thanksgiving or a family in need, PLEASE invite them to join us that day. 10am-1pm.

HELP! FRI., Dec. 5th, we will have an evening workshop on THE REAL ESTATE CRISIS & Our Community. Mr. Carl DeMoon, an expert on real estate will give a presentation at 7pm. Voice & Sign. We will serve pizza that evening. We are asking people to bring salads and desserts. Fr. Joe needs some people to help him with dinner beginning at 5pm.

Sat, Nov. 15, 8am-Noon: FREE DIABETES FALL FEST: many workshops, health screenings. Silver Cross Hospital, 1200 Maple Rd, Joliet. RSVP: 1-888-660-4325.

Sat, 11/22: Stella Hill is looking for people to volunteer to help people who are hungry/homeless that day. See Stella for the information.

Fill out the ALL SOULS Envelopes and place in special box next to the altar. We will pray for our beloved dead throughout the month of November.

ADVENT begins Sun, Nov. 30. The KOLBE Ministry at Cook County Jail (Catholic Church) has a special Advent email retreat. You can receive FREE a weekly reflection and prayers during Advent. Email the people at: kolberetreat@aol.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Wed, 12, 7:30pm: Free workshop on St. Paul.

Sun, 11/16: Mass, 10:30am. Turkey Dinner after Mass/CCE Meeting.
Mass, 4pm. St. Julie Billiart, 7399 W. 159th, Tinley Park.

Thurs, 11/20, 10am-3pm: Senior Citizen Social.

Sun, 11/23: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls. 12:30pm: workshop with Fr. Mike Depcik.
Mass, 4pm. St. Mary of Vernon (Fr. Mike Depcik). Refreshments.

Thurs, 11/27: Thanksgiving Day Luncheon, 10am-1pm.

Sun, 11/30: 1st Sunday of Advent. Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.

Fight the flu! Wash your hands; use special soap or hand wash machines in hospitals.

Sun, 12/7: Generations of Faith (for all ages) to understand the real meaning of Advent/Christmas. 1-5pm. Mass, 3:30pm.

Sun, 12/21: Christmas party at St. Julie after the 4pm Mass. JOE KULA/JIM SMITH are selling tickets (same price as last year!). Bus from St. Francis Borgia if 20 people sign up (sheet up next week).

READ YOUR BIBLE EVERYDAY:

11/10: Titus 1:1-9/ Luke 17:1-6

11/13: Philomen7-20/Luke 17:20-25

11/11: Titus 2:1-14/Luke 17:7-10

11/14: 2 John4-9/Luke 17:26-37

11/12: Titus 3:1-7/ Luke 17:11-19

11/15: 3 John 5-8/Luke 18:1-8

Thurs, 11/13 is the feast of ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI (died in 1917 in CHICAGO). She was born in Italy, but worked in the USA and South America for 28 years. She established hospitals and schools in Chicago. The Pope made her the first American citizen to become a saint in 1946. She is the patron saint of immigrants.

Sat, 12/13, 11:30am: WSAD Gold 50+ Luncheon. Diplomat West, ELMHURST. Info: wsadgold@yahoo.com (Dennis or Marilyn Russell).

SOME NOTES FROM FR. JOE:

1) I am most grateful to so many of you for your warm wishes and prayers for my uncle and our family. Msgr. Charles Mulcrone had been a priest in the Springfield Diocese for over 55 years. On Wed, 10/29, I drove to Springfield to be with him. He was dying. I was able to pray at his bedside. Before I left, I thanked him for all the love he had given our family, and kissed his face. He died at 4:30am the next morning. This was very hard for my dad, Edward, his brother Vincent, and their sister, Mary, all of whom are older than Charles. Please pray for them.

On Nov. 4th, we buried Charles next to his family at All Saints Cemetery in DesPlaines.

2) THANKS to...FR. MIKE DEPCIK for leading a wonderful "Church tour" for young adults last weekend...STELLA HILL who has been working with Servers for Mass...ITALO DE ARCANGELIS who handles all our Mass preparations each week (hard to do with the Polish Mass at 9am)...ED SCHULTZ who takes care of shopping for our needs...TOM SISK and his "crew" who host over 100 senior citizens each month...BRIAN SWATEK who never seems to get tired helping us...NANCY HUBER who still helps us out with our children even though she is "retired".

Also, THANKS to...Johnny & Meg Lo, Colleen Sweeney, Patty Millar-McCarthy, Eileen Rozborski, and Donna Sheehan for the fund-raising ice cream socials they did at St. Julie and St. Francis Borgia. They raised over \$200 for the Catholic Office of the Deaf...Patricia Slisz for organizing the clean-up and painting at 8318 Addison. She had a great team: Fr. Mike, Deacon Ralph, Barb Keiner, Robert Depcik, George Sundling, Tom Bleers, Ed and Joan Christian, and Lynn Gallagher.

3) FREE GIFT: Each time you bless yourself with Holy Water, you receive a free gift: God's blessing. Our Catholic Church teaches us that a blessing of Holy Water gives us special help from God. So, when you enter the Church and leave the Church, make sure you bless yourself and make sure your CHILD blesses himself/herself, too!

4) GOOD, UNDERSTANDABLE INFORMATION about...MEDICARE, MEDICAID, SOCIAL SECURITY, DRUG PLAN (Part D). Contact: Jennifer Scheffler 866-563-8695vp or 708-209-1827tty.

5 Entertainment for ALL AGES:

- a) The Legend of the Mountain Man" (a film in ASL). Sat, 11/15, 3 and 7pm. Chicago West Hotel, 1600 Oakton St, Elk Grove Village. \$10/person. info: www.dsa2011-chicago.org
- b) 'ANNIE', play in ASL and spoken English. DEC. 3-14, Northbrook, IL. 847-509-8260x234v, 847-509-8257tty, icoda@aol.com. Northbrook.

6) Help the Deaf Senior Citizens Conference for 2011: Jewel-Osco "Shop & Share" in November. Get info at: sugarplum@tmail.com.

7) HOSPITALS/DOCTORS/CLINICS & DEAF PEOPLE: recently I had a conversation with HOWARD ROSENBLUM who is a deaf lawyer and a terrific advocate. We were discussing what is happening with the medical profession and using sign-language interpreters.

For many years, we have fought to make sure hospitals, clinics, and doctors follow the ADA law. The ADA says that if a deaf person requests a sign-language interpreter, then the hospital should hire an interpreter. The situation was improving. Now, the situation has gotten worse. Hospitals, clinics, and doctors are refusing to follow the law. More and more deaf people are suffering because of this.

If a hospital, clinic, or doctor has refused YOUR request for an interpreter, please contact Howard immediately. howrose@aol.com, (800) 537-2632 v, (800) 610-2779 tty

8) HELP! I (Fr. Joe) need people to help stuff our Christmas letter this MONDAY, 11/17, 8:30am at St. Francis Borgia. Plenty of coffee & rolls.

9) Make sure you take one of the "Holiday Events" schedules. There are many wonderful events happening this season, especially for families!