

ST. FRANCIS BORGIA DEAF CENTER, 8025 W. ADDISON
FEBRUARY 15, 2008 **6TH Sunday of Church Time**

MARCH 13-15: three (3) wonderful opportunities to become close to Jesus Christ.

- a) Young Adult Retreat with Fr. Mike Depcik and Deacon Pat Graybill in Michigan (beautiful camp). Talk to Fr. Mike about this or contact him at Depcik@gmail.com.
- b) Rockford Diocese, Retreat with Msgr. Glenn Nelson. The retreat place is very comfortable and in a lovely wooded area. Info: 815-965-9840 vp.
- c) Mission with Deaf Seminarian, GREG YUBARA, at St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center, voice and sign. FREE.

OLD PALMS; bring your old palms to church next week. Give them to BRIAN SWATEK so he can burn them for Ash Wednesday services.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1: We will make a special pilgrimage that day. Pope Benedict has offered a PLENARY INDULGENCE (take away all punishment of our sins) for those who visit a St. Paul Church during this year. 1pm: we will leave St. Francis Borgia, travel to St. Paul, 22nd and Hoyne for special prayers. Next, we will visit St. Adalbert Church, 17th & Ashland, one of the most beautiful Polish churches in Chgo. Finally, we will have a dinner at a very nice, delicious Mexican restaurant. If you wish to go (\$10/person for everything), sign up TODAY! Back to St. Francis Borgia by 7pm.

Next Sunday, 12:30pm, Fr. Mike Depcik will offer a workshop on our Catholic Faith in the chapel. Everyone is welcome to join us.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Wed, Feb. 18, 7:30pm: learn about the writings of St. Paul (Interpreted).

Sun, Feb. 22: 10:30am Mass; coffee & rolls. DEACON PAT GRAYBILL. 12:30pm workshop.

4pm Mass, St. Mary of Vernon, Rt. 45, Indian Creek (Fr. Mike).

Wed, Feb. 25: Ash Wednesday. St. Francis Borgia: 2pm (interpreted). 7pm Mass & Ashes.

Thurs, Feb. 26: 10am-3pm, Senior Citizen Social.

Sun, Mar. 1: 10:30am Mass. 1pm, pilgrimage busses leave for tour & dinner.

Tues, Mar 3: Lunch and Bible Study. 11am(bring lunch). 12:30pm: Bible Study till 2pm.

AA Meetings for DEAF People, EVERY FRIDAY, 7:30-9:30pm. Sober Hands, 943 W. Washington, Chgo, IL 60607. EVERY SATURDAY, 8-10 pm, Mustard Seed, 507 W. North Ave., Chgo, IL. 60610.

PRAY FOR...RICHARD IOVITO, CONNIE KENNEDY, WILLIE MAE BOYCE, MARIE VOLPENTESTA, WANDA KINDERKNECHT, DEANNE SEYMOUR, ED SCHULTZ, FR. PAUL FLETCHER who is recovering from a very dangerous Virus attack...GEORGE SUNDLING.

SAT, 2/21: WSAD (West Suburban Association of the Deaf), Noon-7:30 pm, Deaf Racquetball Tourney; 7:30pm-midnight, Deaf Social, LOMBARD. www.wsadeaf.org

SAT, 2/28, 9am-4pm:"Interpreting for Deaf Latinos" workshop, Mt. Sinai Hospital, 15th & California, Chgo. AustinCop@aol.com.

Mar.5-8, CAAD (Central Athletic Association of the Deaf) Basketball Tournament, ISD in Jacksonville, IL. www.caad.us, email: 2009CAAD@yahoo.com

June 11-13, IAD (Illinois Association of the Deaf) Conference, Bloomington, IL. "We, The People" with many special exhibits and government agencies to help people with problems. www.iadeaf.org

Wed, 2/18, 10am-Noon: learn about becoming a PERSONAL ASSISTANT to people who cannot get out of their homes because of disability. Jobs pay up to \$12/hour. People who are deaf or disabled may apply. Come to the Progress Center, 7521 W. Madison, Forest Park for the meeting this Wednesday. Contact Rhychell to register: 708-209-1826 tty.

READ YOUR BIBLE EVERYDAY

2/16: Genesis 4:1-15,25/ Mark 8:11-13

2/19: Genesis 9:1-13/Mark 8:27-33

2/17: Genesis 6:5-8;7:1-10/Mark 8:14-21

2/20: Genesis 11:1-9/Mark 8:34-9:1

2/18: Genesis 8:6-22/Mark 8:22-26

2/21: Hebrews 11:1-7/Mark 9:2-13

SOME NOTES FROM FR. JOE:

1) My family and I are incredibly grateful to so many of you for all you did during dad's wake and funeral. A special thanks to...
...COLLEEN CURRY, our Office Manager, for handling all the information (calls, emails, VPs, etc) during this time;
...the very generous sign-language interpreters who gave us so much of their time and skill;
...FR. MIKE DEPCIK who was very gracious to take over for me on the southside;
...ED SCHULTZ who made a beautiful ILY to be put in my dad's casket;
...all of your kind words, hugs, and especially your prayers.

Dad and mom were married for 64 years. After mom died on November 9th, my dad truly wanted to be with her. Our family knew this. Dad simply became weaker and weaker in his body, but his Catholic faith never failed. He knew mom was in heaven waiting for him. On Feb. 5th, we (his children) told him to "let go of this life and go home to heaven." We thank each and every one of you for all the support you gave us through the deaths of our uncle, Msgr. Charles Mulcrone; my mom, Mary; and now our dad, Edward. God will reward you for your great kindness.

2) This week, you will receive the LENTEN letter. Please take time to read it; mark important dates, times, and locations. If you have any questions, please contact the Catholic Office of the Deaf, 312-534-7899v, 312-751-8368tty/vp, cathdeafcath@archchicago.org.

3) Think SUMMER! Camp DeSales in Michigan has wonderful programs for families, children, and adults. (PARENTS; the Camp has excellent programs for deaf children.) Talk to FR. MIKE DEPCIK soon about the Camp and its programs.

4) Sat, Feb. 21, 9am-1pm: Free workshop on "WOMEN: Lower YOUR Risk of Heart Disease". Rush Hospital. Must RSVP: 888-352-7874. Need an interpreter? Let them know ASAP!

5) You can save \$400-\$600/year on your phone bill! How? Contact the Illinois Citizens Utility Board. They will help you look at your phone bill and show you where to save lots of money EVERY MONTH!

The Citizens Utility Board (CUB) is an excellent organization. You can contact them for help to reduce your phone bill or your gas and electric bills at: www.citizensutilityboard.org, 1-800-669-5556. Also, CUB will have public meetings to help reduce phone bills, utility bills. You can request a sign-language interpreter for FREE:

a) Mon, 2/23, 7pm, Forest Park Library, 7555 W. Jackson Blvd, Forest Park. Must RSVP: 708-366-7171.

b) Wed, 2/25, 6pm, Crystal Lake Library, 126 Paddock St, Crystal Lake. RSVP: 708-366-7171.

6) March 13-15, we will have GREG YUBARA, a young, deaf seminarian here for our Mission. Often, people attend PART of the Mission, usually Saturday night. Why? Because there is food. FEED YOUR SOUL! Come all three nights...and bring a friend!

7) The best way to protect yourself and your family during these hard economic times?????

a) Pay off your credit card debt! Do NOT keep paying heavy interest every month. Do everything you can to reduce or eliminate that debt.

b) If you are thinking about buying a new car...WAIT! The government is debating a "Stimulus Bill" in Washington, DC. Part of that new law will give people who buy new cars a tax benefit. However, the bill is law? NOT YET!

c) Spend time with your family. Invite your family or friends over for lunch, dinner. You don't have to make a fancy meal. Share food and enjoy each other's company.

d) Come to Church! Pray for your family and for one another. Ask God's help in your lives!

8) Keep your car lights, front & rear, clean during these messy days!