

ST. FRANCIS BORGIA DEAF CENTER, 8025 W. ADDISON
JUNE 28, 2009 **13TH SUNDAY OF CHURCH TIME**

Next Sunday, JULY 5th: Fr. Joe and Fr. Mike are out of town. DEACON PATRICK GRAYBILL will offer Holy Communion service at 10:30am. This is NOT a Mass. We will have the Sunday readings, a homily (Deacon Graybill), then Holy Communion (voice and sign). Also, DEACON PATRICK GRAYBILL'S last Sunday with us is 7/5. Please stop by to thank him and wish him a wonderful future in his work!

Looking for delicious, summer ITALIAN gelato, spumoni, cookies and cakes? LEZZA BROTHERS is located at 4009 St. Charles Rd, BELLWOOD (corner of Mannheim and St. Charles). The LEZZA Family supplied cakes/desserts for our St. Joseph Table. Their food is excellent. Stop in. Let them know that you know Fr. Joe.

TASTE OF CHICAGO/GRANT PARK. If you (deaf/hard of hearing) need help, go to the MOPD booth. They have people who can interpret for you! Sign language interpreters will be at the primary performances, including BROADWAY IN CHICAGO CONCERT IN THE PARK at the Petrillo Music Shell, Monday, June 29, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

POLICE WARNING! This week, because of the JULY 4th weekend, ALL police will be looking for drivers who are...speeding...DUI...not wearing seat belts!

Wed, July 15th, 10am-3pm: ADA Celebration, State of Illinois Building, 100 W. Randolph. Many exhibits and workshops (interpreted). Also, help for people looking for jobs. FREE. BUS (must sign-up; need at least 15 people): bus will leave St. Francis Borgia at 9:30am. You can visit ADA exhibits, get information. Have lunch downtown Chicago; do some sightseeing. Bus will leave State of Illinois Bldg at 2:30pm back to St. Francis Borgia. \$5/person for bus.

Wed, JULY 1, 9:30am-4pm: Hebrew Association of the Deaf Senior Citizen Social, 4435 W. Oakton, Skokie. Everyone is welcome to enjoy socialization and friendship.

Sun, Aug. 23rd, after 10:30am Mass: POLISH LUNCHEON! \$12/Adults. \$6/children for full, delicious Polish meal. See JOHN or VALENTINA FOLERZYNSKI for tickets.

ST. JULIE BILLIART SCHEDULE: 4PM, 7399 W. 159th, Tinley Park.
JULY 12: NO MASS that day. JULY 19: MASS, refreshments after Mass.
AUGUST 9: MASS that day. AUG. 16: MASS followed by indoor "picnic".
We will have a bus for the picnic on Aug. 16 if 15 or more people sign up from St. Francis.

SAT, JULY 18, 10am-10pm: Deaf Awareness Day, Great America. www.sixflags.com
847-249-1952, sixflags.com/greatamerica

SAT, JULY 25: a) Disability Pride Parade, downtown Chicago. Wonderful event to attend.
Info: askus@disabilityprideparade.org
b) Hard of Hearing Loss PICNIC, 10am till??? Welles Park, Lincoln & Montrose.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Sun, 7/5, 10:30am: Communion Service with Deacon Pat Graybill. Coffee & rolls.
Sun, 7/12: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls. NO Mass at St. Julie.
Wed, 7/15: Bus for downtown leaves at 9:30am and returns to St. Francis at 3:30pm.
Sun, 7/19: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.
Mass, 4pm. St. Julie, 7399 W. 159th. Refreshments.
Thurs, 7/23, 10am-3pm. Senior Citizen Social. Bring your own lunch!

Pray for those who are sick: JIM DIGNAN, JOYCE LEVIN, JIM SMUDZINSKI, VITA HOLUBETZ, RICHARD IOVITO, CONNIE KENNEDY, WILLE MAE BOYCE, DEANNE SEYMOUR, ROBERT MARKLEY (Wanda Majka's father), JOHN ALBERTI.

JOE KULA & JIM SMITH have tickets for the "Picnic" at St. Julie Parish, Sunday, Aug. 16th, after the 4pm Mass.

READ YOUR BIBLE EVERYDAY:

6/29: Genesis 18:16-33/Matthew 8:16-22 7/2: Genesis 22:1-19/Matthew 9:1-8
6/30: Genesis 19:15-29/Matthew 8:23-27 7/3: Genesis chap.24/Matthew 9:9-13
7/1: Genesis 21:5-20/Matthew 8:28-34 7/4: Genesis 27:1-29/Matthew 9:14-17
JUNE 29: The feast of ST. PETER & ST. PAUL. (Acts 12:1-11).
JULY 3: the feast of ST. THOMAS (John 20:24-29)

SOME NOTES FROM FR. JOE:

1) I noticed that June 26th was the 3rd anniversary of Fr. Jim Hall's death. He was such a wonderful man and a very good priest. His sudden death shocked us all. Sometimes, people die slowly, over a long period of time. Others, like Fr. Jim or Ron Slisz, die very suddenly and unexpectedly. Mary Jo Scanlan is a good example. She had battled cancer for a long time, then was able to travel to Italy. Less than 2 months after she returned from Italy, she died.

Even though we may live a long time, life can come to an end quite suddenly. Are we prepared? Are we ready for death? We can never be **TOTALLY** prepared to die, but we can make sure we have taken care of our responsibilities here on earth. How?

1) Make sure you have worked on the legal, medical, insurance matters necessary to protect your loved ones after you die. Do you have a Will, Power of Attorney, Medical Power of Attorney, Living Will, Instructions re: wake, funeral, cemetery? A very good book to help you is: **GUIDE TO THE GREAT BEYOND** by Jane Brody. Random House Books; 2009.

2) Make sure you have taken care of your **SPIRITUAL** responsibilities. When was the last time you came for Reconciliation (Confession)? Are you coming to Mass regularly? Are you living the way **JESUS** asks us to live? All the medical research tells us that people who attend Church regularly, pray, and are good to others live **LONGER** than people who do not go to Church or pray or care for others!

3) Make sure you have said/signed the eleven (11) words **ALL** we need to communicate with everyone we know: **THANK YOU. I FORGIVE YOU. PLEASE FORGIVE ME. I LOVE YOU.**

2) Fr. Joe is gone this week on vacation. If there is an emergency or death, please contact Catholic Office of the Deaf immediately. 312-534-7899, cathdeafch@archchicago.org.

3) **PARENTS:** the Art Institute of Chicago has wonderful **SUMMER FAMILY PROGRAMS** (most are **FREE**). 312-857-7161, familyprograms@artic.edu. Also, there are many programs for children/teens in the City of Chicago this summer. **FREE MEALS FOR CHILDREN**, too! For information on all these programs, call: 3-1-1.

4) **A BIG THANKS** to...**NEIL J. LEVINE** for his excellent program on **DEAF & DUI**. He came despite a terrible storm that evening. Everyone who attended said they were very grateful for all the information he gave us! To contact Mr. Levine: 630-775-1400, neiljlevine@gmail.com

5) **CONGRATULATIONS** to...**BRIAN SWATEK**. Two weeks ago, **AHIHA** (American Hearing Impaired Hockey Association) had its annual training week. At the end of the week, at the banquet, **AHIHA** awarded **BRIAN SWATEK** the highest honor **AHIHA** can give, its "I LOVE YOU" medal. Why? Because of Brian's tremendous dedication and service to the young people who attend this camp every year.

6) IF you or someone you know does not have health insurance **AND** you or that person get sick, what do you do?

a) Make sure you have your important papers: list of medications, list of your family phone numbers, doctors' names, Social Security/Medicaid/Medicare cards. Keep all these papers together if you must get emergency help or go to the hospital.

b) Sick? Great pain? Call 9-1-1! Even if you are deaf, grab the phone, dial 9-1-1; do **NOT** hang-up. Emergency help will come. Open up your front door for emergency people.

c) Arrive at ER (Emergency Room): ask for sign-language interpreter right away to help communication.

7) Schaumburg Farmers' Market, **EVERY** Friday, 7AM-1PM: Parking lot of American Indian Center (Schaumburg & Roselle Rds.). Healthy, fresh food at fair prices.

8) Monday, June 29, 6pm: "Broadway in Chicago Show", **FREE**, Main Stage at Taste of Chicago. **INTERPRETED** in ASL (**AMERICAN SIGN-LANGUAGE**)!!!!