

ST. FRANCIS BORGIA DEAF CENTER, 8025 W. ADDISON
MARCH 30, 2008 **2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

STILL TIME to buy your ticket for the MFP Banquet next Sunday. Delicious food; wonderful afternoon. Tickets on sale TODAY!!!!

IRS WARNING! Again, the IRS (Internal Revenue Service) is warning people about many scams re: Tax rebate checks. Remember:

- a) If you file your 2007 federal income tax, you will receive the tax rebate check AUTOMATICALLY! You do not have to fill out any other forms.
- b) If you receive an email, fax, VP, phone call from anyone claiming, "I am from IRS...." The person contacting you is a CRIMINAL! Do NOT respond!
- c) If some company contacts you offering to give you "your tax rebate money NOW...for a small fee"...you will lose your tax rebate money!!!! WAIT for your check to come in the mail.
- d) Anyone who calls you, emails you, VP or fax you asking for your Social Security #, bank account #, or credit card #---do NOT give this info! Even if the person says, "I am official; I am from the government." Hang-up. This is FRAUD, LIE, SCAM!!!!!!!!!!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Mon, 3/31, Bldg Foundation Meeting. 5:30pm, pizza. 6:30pm, meeting.
Wed, 4/2: the 3rd anniversary of the death of Pope John Paul II.
Fri, 4/4, 7:30pm: Sacrament of Confirmation (large church).
Sun, 4/6: Masses at 9 (Fr. Mike) and 10:30am (Fr. Joe). MFP Banquet. Coffee & rolls.
Sun, 4/13: Mass, 10:30am (Fr. Joe). CCE Lunch and meeting after Mass.
Mon, 4/14: Hawthorne Fund-Raising Meeting.
Sat, 4/19: 50th anniversary of Holy Trinity Deaf Program/dinner-dance. Drury Lane.
Sun, 4/20: Mass, 10:30am (Fr. Joe). Coffee & rolls. 4pm Mass, (Fr. Mike) St. Julie.

READ YOUR BIBLE EVERYDAY:

3/31: Acts 4: 22-31/ Luke 1:26-38

4/3: Acts 5:27-33/John 3:31-36

4/1: Acts 4:32-37/ John 3:7-15

4/4: Acts 5:34-42/ John 6:1-15

4/2: Acts 5:17-26/ John 3:16-21

4/5: Acts 6:1-7/ John 6:16-21

This week, we start reading the 6th chapter of St. John's Gospel. This chapter is one of the most important chapters in the entire Bible! Jesus teaches us about giving His Body and Blood to us in Holy Communion.

EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY:

Sat, 4/5, 7pm: Deaf Soccer Team Fundraiser, City Lights Grill, 3809 N. Harlem. \$5/person.

Fri, 4/11: a) Duppies Nite, Witt's, 2913 N. Lincoln, Chgo.

b) Newborn Hearing Screening Day Celebration, 2:30pm. Marcello's Restuarant, 645 W. North Ave, Chgo. RSVP: 312-523-6400v, choicesforparents@yahoo.com

Fri, 4/18, 7pm: Lake County Deaf Chat, Starbucks at Rt.83 & 60, Mundelein Crossings, Mundelein, IL. FREE.

Mon, 4/21, 6:30pm: "Immigration Policy/Procedures" workshop. Hoffman Estates. FREE. Voice & sign. RSVP: 847-884-1560vp/tty; sphadke@schaumburgtownship.org

Tues, 4/22, 5:30pm: Deaf Crime Victim's Awareness Night. Chgo Hearing Society (CHS), 2001 N. Clybourn, Chgo. FREE. Voice/sign. Refreshments. RSVP: 773-248-9106vp, email to: Mccunningham@anixter.org

Thurs & Sat, 4/24 & 26, Interpreted play, "The Giver" (wonderful for families). Reskin Theater, 60 E. Balbo Dr., Chgo. 312-922-1999, <http://theatreschool.depaul.edu>.

Fri-Sat, 4/25-26: a) Illinois Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission Conference, Springfield, IL. Info: 877-455-3323v/tty; 217-557-4487vp; <http://www.idhhc.state.il.us>.

b) Mid-West ICDA Conference, campus of Michigan State University. Info: see Fr. Mike Depcik or Brian Swatek.

Mon-Wed, 4/28-30, Disability Rights Conference, Springfield, IL. www.ccdionline.org

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK...Mary Jo Scanlan, Deanne Seymour, Richard Iovito, Connie Kennedy, Wanda Kinderknecht, Janice Konsbruck, Dominick Pistorio; Mary Jo Ostrowski (35), WANDA MAJKA'S daughter, who has kidney disease; DEACON TOM RYAN of Louisville, KY; FR. TOM MULCRONE, Fr. Joe's brother.

Mon, 4/14, 9-11am: Free Cataract/Glaucoma Screening at Our Lady of the Resurrection Hospital, 5645 W. Addison. Must RSVP: 877-737-4636, www.reshealth.org

DRIVERS: afternoon sun (west) is right in your eyes! Slow down! Children are running to parks, Little League games. Watch out for them. Slow down.

SOME NOTES FROM FR. JOE:

1) HOLY WEEK/EASTER: the weather made everything difficult for people. Yet, many people worked very hard throughout Lent, Holy Week, and Easter. DEACONS FRONCZEK & HINCH both were very generous visiting people who were sick, and helping out with funerals. Both of them gave great homilies on Good Friday. FR. MIKE DEPCIK gave wonderful homilies (talks) at Mass on Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, and Easter (243 people at the 10:30 Mass!). BARB KEINER & MARY ANN GASZYNSKI made sure we always had coffee, tea, and something to eat. VIRGINIA HINCH & our Choir (STELLA HILL, SUSAN STATHAKES, ZEBEDA ANAMA, MARY JO SCANLAN, with drummer LYNN GALLAGHER) helped us pray. ITALO DE ARCANGELIS handled the set-up at Masses, even though he had another death in his family! JIM DUNNE was always willing to pitch in, especially at the last minute!

BRIAN SWATEK was...amazing! He did so much set-up and hard work. We all owe him a great deal of thanks for his dedication to St. Francis Borgia. On Palm Sunday, we had our Generations of Faith/Lent Day. Thanks to MS HUBER and all those who worked that day. All the CATECHISTS & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VOLUNTEERS who worked all the Sundays to help teach our children about Jesus and the Church. Special thanks to SCOTT NILSSON who stayed all day on Palm Sunday, worked hard, and handled the clean-up at the end of the day. Lots of people brought delicious bread, fruit, and cheese for the "Bread and Wine" Social Holy Thursday evening. During Lent, ED & JOAN CHRISTIAN set up for the Bible Study classes each week. (Thanks to KARLA BLEERS who had a wonderful answer for the difficult question I asked at the Holy Week Bible class!) Meantime, CAROL MCGINNIS worked hard with Deacon Ralph to keep track of our money. COLLEEN CURRY at the Catholic Office of the Deaf handled lots of phone calls, printing, emails, etc for all of us.

JOE KULA, ANTHONY GRECO, TONY CITTA, JIM SMITH, TOM BLEERS, ED SCHULTZ, TOM SISK all helped out as they do every week at St. Francis Borgia! JOHN & VALENTINA FOLERZYNSKI collected the money for the Easter flowers AND worked to do the decorations, too! PATRICIA SLISZ handled all the art environment work throughout the entire season of Lent/Holy Week/ Easter. She also handled the RCIDA program to prepare MARY SCHARLE & MEG FINNERAN to deepen their Catholic Faith, and BESSIE EARLY to convert to Catholic. T.K. HILL to receive Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Communion on Holy Saturday. (If I forgot to thank someone, PLEASE let me know.)

Thank you for your many kind cards, prayers, hugs, good wishes. You are wonderful people!

2) Recently, family members of JOHN RAHN, PIERINA PUCCI, EVAN ESSERY, and others have all left Memorial gifts to St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center. These gifts of money in memory of a loved one helps us keep St. Francis Borgia running.

When you make out your own WILL or TRUST, please remember to leave St. Francis Borgia part of your estate. Your gift will keep us serving deaf people and families for many years into the future.

3) GRRR. The ADA Law is CLEAR...deaf people have a right to sign-language interpreting in hospitals, courts, etc. However, very recently, these organizations have denied this right to deaf people:

- a) I had to force a hospital to hire an interpreter for a deaf patient in that hospital. The hospital was writing notes to this man who was sick and could not understand the papers he was signing. I finally told the hospital to get an interpreter or I would file a report against the hospital with the government. The hospital got the interpreter.
- b) A deaf person had an appointment in court. The deaf person asked for an interpreter. The day of the appointment; no interpreter. The deaf person re-scheduled and took a day off of work. Again, there was no interpreter for the appointment, even though the deaf person explained that having a sign-language interpreter was necessary for communication.

If you have any trouble with hospitals, courts, police, government offices NOT providing sign-language communication for you or your family member, contact: EQUIP FOR EQUALITY, 800-610-2779 tty, www.equipforequality.org.

4) IF YOU or LOVED ONE has been the VICTIM OF A VIOLENT CRIME in ILLINOIS, you can receive up to \$28,000 in help for yourself or family. 1-800-228-3368v/tty.

5) Catholic Office of the Deaf is now registered for GoodSearch and GoodShop. Our supporters can raise money for our services to continue by using GoodSearch to search the internet and GoodShop to make online purchases! www.goodsearch.com