

**ST. FRANCIS BORGIA DEAF CENTER, 8025 W. ADDISON**

**JULY 26, 2009**

**17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF CHURCH TIME**

Only 70 days till....Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>: Women's Luncheon (see STELLA HILL) & Men's Football Social (see BRIAN SWATEK)!

Sat, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> (not Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>!) is the Hawthorne Fundraiser for the Catholic Office of the Deaf. Details coming soon.

Help boys and girls who suffered sexual abuse. What to do? Pick up a list of the school supplies these kids need (on the table or from Catholic Office of the Deaf). Buy a backpack and fill it with these supplies. Bring the backpack to St. Francis Borgia Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, or 30<sup>th</sup>. St. Julie's on either Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup>.

**CATHOLIC DEAF PICNICS:**

- Sun, 8/2: Mass, NOON, followed by picnic. DeKALB. Christ the Teacher Parish.  
RSVP: Cathy Signor, cathy/signor@yahoo.com, Dawn Martin, 815-977-7640vp.
- Sun, 8/16: St. Julie Mass, 4pm, followed by indoor picnic. 7399 W. 159<sup>th</sup>, TINLEY PARK  
See JOE KULA/JIM SMITH for tickets (same price as last year). Bus from St. Francis Borgia \$5. Leaves at 2pm, and leaves St. Julie at 7pm. Sign-up.
- Sun, 8/23: POLISH LUNCHEON after 10:30am Mass, St. Francis Borgia. JOHN & VALENTINA FOLERZYNSKI have tickets. ALWAYS a delicious luncheon!

PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST H1N1(Swine) FLU! Wash your hands. Drink lots of water.  
PARENTS: teach your children to ALWAYS wash their hands after using the toilet!

Support people who support the CATHOLIC OFFICE OF THE DEAF:

- a) Chuck's Auto Body, 1652 Waukegan Rd, GLENVIEW. This firm does excellent car repair. Chuck's works with all car insurance companies. 847-724-5888v, 724-5890fax.
- b) Liborio Bakery, 8212 Grand Ave, RIVER GROVE. Delicious Italian breads and cookies.
- c) Lezza Brothers Bakery & Gelato Store, corner of St. Charles Rd & Mannheim (just east of Mannheim;north side), BELLWOOD. Authentic Italian sweets! Great ice cream (Gelato)!
- d) Suzette DeSalvo/State Farm Insurance, 773-774-1320tty/vp, Suzette@suzetteDeSalvo.net  
Recently lost your job? State Farm is now working with 401K accounts to save them for unemployed people and also health insurance for laid-off workers.

Sun, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>: election for the Building Foundation Board of Directors. YOUR vote is important. If you wish to run for the Board, see DEACON CASIMIR FRONCZEK or THOMAS BLEERS.

Fr. Mike Depcik: every week has a helpful teaching for us: [www.frmd.org](http://www.frmd.org)

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- Tues, July 28: Hawthorne Committee Meeting. 5:30pm, food. 6:30pm, meeting.
- Wed, July 29, 7:30pm: "Living the Sacramental Life"(Interpreted.) FREE. St. Francis Borgia.  
Refreshments.
- Sun, Aug. 2: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls.  
Mass, NOON, DeKALB Picnic(see information above).
- Sun, Aug. 9: Mass, 10:30am. Coffee & rolls. Mass, 4pm, St. Julie, 7399 W. 159<sup>th</sup>.
- Wed, Aug. 12, 7:30pm: "Eucharistic Miracles and Our Catholic Faith"(Interpreted). FREE.  
Refreshments. St. Francis Borgia.

PRAY FOR...JOSEPH FINLEY, brother of WILLIE MAE BOYCE, who died 7/18...TONY IOVITO (38), nephew of RICHARD & HEDIE IOVITO, who was badly injured in an accident...JIM DIGNAN, DEANE SEYMOUR-KORETZ, LAUREL RACI, JIM SMUDZINSKI, GRACE LISANTE.

Sat, 8/1, 10am-7pm: Deaf European American Picnic, Labagh Woods, 5300 N. Cicero, Chgo.  
FREE. 866-520-6011vp, dbekiri7daeap@yahoo.com. Entrance is north of Foster on the east side of Cicero. Drive over the bridge to the picnic.

**READ YOUR BIBLE EVERYDAY:** good health for your soul!

- 7/27: Exodus 32:15-34/Matthew 13:31-35      7/30: Exodus 40:16-38/Matthew 13:47-53  
7/28: Exodus 33: 7-23/Matthew 13: 13:36-43      7/31: Leviticus 23:1-37/Matthew 13:54-58  
7/29: Exodus 34:29-35/Matthew 13:44-46      8/1: Leviticus 25:1-17/Matthew 14:1-12

ARE YOU HUNGRY? DO YOU KNOW ANY PEOPLE WHO NEED FOOD? The Catholic Office of the Deaf has a list of places you can go to get a FREE meal or can get food to bring to your home. The Catholic Office of the Deaf will be glad to send you this list: 312-534-7899v, 312-751-8368 tty/vp.

LOOKING FOR GOOD MEDICAL ADVICE...in ASL? Go to: [www.DeafMD.org](http://www.DeafMD.org)

## SOME NOTES FROM FR. JOE:

1) RIDICULOUS! The State of Illinois finally passed a budget and what happened? More cuts in services for deaf people and/or people with disabilities and their families. More and more deaf people (and their family members) are losing their jobs. What to do?

- a) If you know of a family that is hungry and needs food, contact the Catholic Office of the Deaf. We have a list of places where you can get FREE food.
- b) Get rid of ALL debt on your credit cards. Credit card debt is destroying families.
- c) Do NOT go to the casinos or gambling boats. Do NOT gamble on-line! Few people win; most people lose. You CANNOT earn money to pay your debts by gambling!
- d) If you are sick and have no insurance, go to the nearest hospital emergency room (ER).

2) YEARS AGO, a man named TONY ALAMO made many small pamphlets (comics) against the Catholic Church. I remember deaf people showing me these pamphlets as “proof” that the Pope, the Mass/Communion, the Catholic Church was “bad”, “no good.” A year ago, the federal government arrested TONY ALAMO. Why?

- a) He cheated on his federal taxes; he did not pay what he owed.
- b) He “married” girls who were very young, 15 years old. One of his “brides” was 8 years old! This man was having sex with little girls, and HE is an “expert” to criticize the Catholic Church!

3) Crafts Bazaar at St. Julie Billiart Church for the Deaf, Tinley Park. After 4 pm Mass on September 20. If interested in making craft to raise funds for our breast cancer help, please contact either Maria Martinez or Jim Smith.

4) HOW IS THE CATHOLIC CHURCH...”CATHOLIC”? The word “catholic” actually means, “universal”, “for everyone”. Every time we proclaim the CREED (“I believe in one God,....”) we say/sign, “I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic faith.” What does this mean? During this past summer, we have a good example of how we are truly a “catholic” Church. The Catholic Church remembers and honors its saints, those men and women who followed the Lord Jesus by their lives. Some of the saints we honor are:

St. Ephrem from SYRIA; a great teacher who died 373. (June 9)

St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More. Both of these men were famous for their writings about the Catholic Faith in ENGLAND. Both were beheaded in 1535 for defending the Faith. (June 22)

Blessed Junipero Serra from SPAIN who founded many Catholic missions in CALIFORNIA. He baptized over 6,000 indians. He died in 1784. (July 1)

Saint Maria Goretti. She was a 12 years old Catholic girl, and died because she refused to let a man rape her. She was from ITALY and died in 1902. (July 6)

St. Augustine Zhao Rong and 119 companions. The CHINESE rulers tortured and killed them all in 1815. (July 9)

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha was a Mohawk indian from NEW YORK. She suffered greatly because she decided to become a Catholic. She died at QUEBEC, age 24. (July 14)

St. Apollinaris, one of the first missionaries in ITALY after St. Peter. The Roman government murdered him around 80 AD. (July 20)

St. Brigid of SWEDEN, the mother of eight children! He had many visions from God. She died in 1373. (July 23)

St. Sharbel Makhluf. He was born in LEBANON, lived as a hermit, but healed many people. He died in 1898. (July 24)

St. James the Apostle, brother of St. John. King Herod beheaded him in 44 AD in JERUSALEM. (July 25)

St. Jane de Chantal, the mother of six children and a widow. She worked with St. Francis de sales and founded the Visitation Sisters. Died in FRANCE, 1641. (August 12)

St. Maximilian Kolbe, a Catholic priest. The Nazis murdered him in 1941, POLAND. (August 14)

AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>, THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY, Our Blessed Mother, to heaven.

The Catholic Church is “catholic” because of its 2,000 year history. Throughout all these years, men and women in many different countries, cultures, and times have lived, suffered, and died because of their Catholic Faith. All of them belonged to OUR Church. They all loved to receive JESUS in the Eucharist (Holy Communion). They loved to receive His forgiveness and love. They did not give up their Catholic Faith even when they suffered and died cruel deaths.

Next week, how is our Catholic Church “apostolic”.

5) Catholic Scripture (Bible) School teaches people to understand the Bible. This is an excellent program that meets in Libertyville, Barrington, Chicago, and Tinley Park. MS PATRICIA SLISZ has been in this program and can answer any questions. If you wish to attend the program, the Catholic Office of the Deaf will provide sign-language interpreters. See me, Fr. Joe, as soon as possible. Classes begin September.