Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the death and resurrection of JESUS until he comes in glory.
May is my favorite month although my birthday is in September. It is not only because the weather starts getting better but because it is the month of the Blessed Virgin Mary and there are a lot of exciting things happening at our parish and parish school. Please check the bulletin thoroughly for you don’t want to miss out on the fun. We have had First Communions, May Crowning and Ribbon Ceremony, Commissioning of the Ministers of Care, Welcome Sunday, Memorial Weekend events, Award Night and Graduation and so many other events. On Friday, May 31st, our eighth graders graduated. They were sent forth by their teachers, parents, grandparents and siblings as they look forward to another level in life. We congratulate them and are proud of them and wish them all the best as they go to high school.

We also welcome back college students. It is great having you back to the parish before you engage in summer programs. For those who have just graduated, you will realize that the journey never ends, it is just the beginning of another journey.

The month of May is filled with the Solemnities of the Lord. We just celebrated the Ascension of the Lord, Pentecost, Holy Trinity Sunday and this week is Corpus Christi, the Feast of the Body of Christ. This feast is celebrated on the Sunday after Trinity Sunday to solemnly commemorate the institution of the Holy Eucharist. Holy Thursday which commemorates this great event, happens during Lent, actually during the Holy Week, a season of sadness, during which the minds of the faithful are expected to be occupied with thoughts of the Lord’s Passion. Moreover, so many other functions took place on this day that the principal event of celebrating the mystery of the Body and Blood of Christ was almost lost sight of. This is mentioned as the chief reason for the introduction of the new feast.

It is a great feast in our church. It is the feast which solemnly celebrates what we celebrate everyday, the Eucharist. When I was in Tanzania, Africa this feast was celebrated uniquely. It is a day filled with joy, music and dancing. It is a day that involved the entire village. People processed from the Church, through a busy market center to the village school with drums and songs and branches singing Eucharistic songs. The area covered about 3 miles. What is important here is not the distance but the attitude. People were not afraid to openly show what they believe. Let the whole world know that we are Catholics and believe in the true presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. We are proud to be Eucharistic people nourished by Jesus’ Body and Blood everyday.

We pray that we may be nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ everyday of our lives.

Have a Blessed summer.

Peace!
Fr. Fil

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**Considering a Vocation to the Priesthood?**

Jesus asked the twelve Apostles, “Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?” (Luke 9:11-17) Jesus left it to his disciples to go and feed the crowds after he said the blessing over their limited provisions. What do YOU have to offer to the hungry world? If you have ever considered a vocation to the priesthood, contact Fr. Brian Welter, bwelter@archchicago.org or at 312-534-8298, or go to www.ChicagoPriest.com. For information on religious life contact Sr. Elyse Ramirez, OP at 312-534-5240 or eramirez@archchicago.org, and for the Permanent Diaconate program contact Deacon Bob Puhala at 847-837-4562 or bpuhala@usml.edu
Living the Gospel

Healing, nourishment, satisfaction, and abundance are all signs of the presence of the kingdom of God. Jesus’ actions in this gospel, however, reveal an even more telling sign. By taking, blessing, breaking, and giving the bread and fish, he foreshadows the total gift of his very self—on the Cross, in the Eucharist. The fullest presence of the kingdom of God is revealed by the total gift of self. When we receive Jesus’ gift of self in the Eucharist and choose to be transformed into being that same gift for others, we are the visible presence of the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God comes to fulfillment in every act of total self-giving. What the Twelve were not able to do for the crowd—provide food for so many—we can do if we do as Jesus did: hand ourselves over.

Discipleship is both accepting the abundance of what God gives us and living out the responsibility having that abundance implies. When we eat and drink the Body and Blood of Christ, we ourselves are transformed more perfectly into the presence of that risen Christ for others. This transformation is both gift and challenge. It is the gift and pledge that what we have now—Jesus’ Body and Blood—we will also have even more fully at the messianic banquet. It is the challenge to spend ourselves for others, to give of ourselves, to hand ourselves over. Herein is the mystery! The deepest mystery this solemnity celebrates is not only that Jesus gives us his own Body and Blood as nourishment which satisfies us fully. It is also that we, too, must give our very own body and blood to others so that they might be satisfied. And when the “leftover fragments” of ourselves are gathered up, we will find ourselves sharing in the everlasting abundance of the messianic banquet. Such a mystery!

Closing Prayers:

May we imitate Jesus in self-giving for the sake of others.
May we grow into being more perfectly the Body of Christ living eucharistic lives.

Our Father . . .

For Reflection:

· I hunger to be nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ when . . . I feel satisfied when . . .
· I grow in self-giving when . . . I feel satisfied when . . .

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Year of Sunday Mass: Question of the Week

In today’s Gospel, Jesus fed the crowds with more than enough food. In today’s feast of Corpus Christi, we celebrate that Jesus feeds us today with his Body and Blood.

Have I truly appreciated this sustaining and life-giving presence of the Lord in my life as an unfulfilling resource?

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KNOW THE MASS, ONE WORD AT A TIME

Invoke

Just before the priest pronounces the words of consecration over the bread and wine, he invokes the transforming power of the Holy Spirit to come upon the gifts. “Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall.” This invocation envisions the Spirit transforming the gifts of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. At the same time, because we bring ourselves to Mass to give ourselves over to the Lord in our self-gift, the prayer also invokes the Holy Spirit to come upon us and transform us as well into the Body of Christ.

The double invocation of the Holy Spirit on bread and wine and on us and the double transformation of both into the Body of Christ show us the power of God at work in our worship. Far from a common gathering of like-minded people or friends, our celebration of Mass is an extraordinary experience. Here we know and taste the transforming power of God’s Holy Spirit—invoked on the gifts of bread and wine and the gift of ourselves.

READS FOR THE WEEK
The two adjectives most applied to God by Franciscan mysticism were the *goodness* of God and the *humility* of God. Hardly any of us would say God is humble, but Francis did. He and Clare fell in love with the humility of God; because if God emptied himself and hid himself inside the material world then God, who was revealed in Jesus, was surely a very humble kind of God. This is a total surprise to history, and so much a scandal that most Christians would still resist it consciously or unconsciously.

Francis fell in love with the humanity of Jesus more than his divinity. It was Jesus’ humanity that he wanted to draw close to, and that he fell in love with. He just wanted to be the most humble man around, which was his “imitation of God” (Ephesians 5:1). Only in that humble state could he find God, because that’s where God had gone and Francis wanted to go where Jesus went and where God was hiding.

Art historians say that even Christian art changed after Francis. Beginning with Giotto, there was a new interest in things ordinary, human, animal, mundane, and nature-based. Not just glowing divine icons, but now light shining through the ordinary world.

So you see the basis for a different kind of holiness. It’s not God from above. It’s now God from within—incarnationalism instead of transcendentalism.

From an unpublished conference recording in Assisi, Italy, May 2012

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**Parish News**

**Happy Birthday**

**Fr. Joe!!**

**New Group for Married Couples Starts this Fall**

Sacred Marriage ... United in Christ, Strengthened in Friendship

Coming to SJC this fall! A faith sharing opportunity for married couples interested in growing in their faith and developing friendships with others on the journey.

Five or six couples form a group and commit to meeting one Saturday evening per month in each others homes to share a meal and reflect on spiritual topics. If this sounds like something you would enjoy, please join us for an informational meeting on

**Saturday, June 8, at 7 p.m.**

in the Parish Center. Appetizers and dessert will be served. To RSVP or for more information, contact Mary Dorsey at marybmo@aol.com, 708-784-1203, or Lis Williams at lisbethwill@sbcglobal.net.

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**We are looking for volunteers to help with our parish Baptism Program!**

We are looking for couples to be a part of our Baptism Team. Please consider being a part of this most important ministry that welcomes and celebrates the miracle of life. The baptism team is frequently the face of the parish for the very first time as couples bring their baby to be baptized.

One baptismal couple a month (the first Thursday at 7:00 pm) facilitates the preparation sessions so that you would only do about two or three sessions a year. Being present on the Sunday when the baptisms take place, welcoming the families, assisting the priest or deacon, assuring all is in readiness is a very important aspect of this ministry as well.

You will be trained and have all aspects of the ministry explained to you before making a commitment. Come and learn the theology of baptism and the richness of the baptism liturgy that you will help parents to understand.

**Please call Fr. Filbert x120 for information on how you can become involved.**
Dear Friends in Christ,

On the weekend of June 8–9, 2013, we will take up a special collection for the Retired Priests of the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese has been graced with over two hundred retired priests. A majority of our retired priests are in good health and continue to minister in parishes.

The retired priests celebrate Mass and sacraments in hundreds of parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago. Their dedicated service enables many parishes to avoid reducing Mass schedules. Some retired priests are called upon to be temporary administrators of parishes. Our senior priests do this willingly as a continuation of the many years that they have faithfully served our Church. Please join me in offering our retired priests words of appreciation and gratitude for their many years of priestly ministry.

The Priests’ Retirement and Mutual Aid Association (PRMAA) cares for our retired priests. As you know so well, the costs for health care, prescription drugs and nursing-home care continues to increase. Also, the priests’ pension fund remains seriously impacted by the economic downturn. This special collection will help us continue to support our retired priests. This special collection is different from the December collection for retired men and women religious where the collection goes to those in religious orders. Archdiocesan priests do not receive any funds from this collection.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our retired priests for their lives of service and exemplary ministry. May their spirit of sharing bring new life to our Church!

I am thankful to all of you for your immense generosity in this collection last year. I ask you to repeat your kindness this year. Your donations, your prayers and your good wishes are an affirmation of our retired priests.

Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. You and those you love are in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

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Dear Parishioners,

The Parish Advisory Council (PAC) met on May 14 th. The meeting minutes and committee pre-read materials are posted on the parish website under Council & Boards. In order to keep the parish informed a summary letter is published after each meeting.

At our spring meeting it was announced that the following items were affirmed by the Council through electronic voting:

* Shelia McLaughlin (Apostle) will serve as the Vice Chairperson for the coming ’13-’14 year and will assume the Chair position in the following year.

* Dan Cochran and Jerry Klafta (Parishioners-At-Large) will serve 2 year terms ’13-’16 as Apostles.

* The amended Constitution with a modified discernment process for future Vice Chair and Apostle Positions and an amendment to not limit the number of Apostles serving.

In addition, it was announced that the following new members will join the Council:

* 2 new At-Large representatives were elected to two year terms beginning in fall, 2013: Marie Gerken and Brian King.

* Ann Marie Calistro will serve as the new Outreach Ministry Advisory Group representative replacing Jerry Moran who served as the Outreach Chair for 5 years and also headed the Welcome Goal Committee. The parish is most grateful to Jerry for his many years of service.

Congratulations and thank you to those who have served and continue to serve our parish through the PAC.

Next week I look forward to sharing more from our spring PAC Meeting.

Karin Teglia
Parish Advisory Council Chairperson
Friday, our first grade students participated in the 11th Annual Author’s Day. Each first grader presented their individual books that they wrote this year. The student body, parents, grandparents and special friends attended. The first graders write over twenty books in a year and each child looks to this event with great anticipation as they look forward to showing everyone their hard work.

On Tuesday, our entire student body attended an awards ceremony. Students in grades four through eight were recognized in many areas including language arts, math, and science.

To celebrate the culmination of their elementary school years, the eighth graders spent a day at Six Flags. The kids and faculty chaperones had a wonderful time.

This Week at SJC
Monday, June 3  Kindergarten Celebration, 9:15-10:15 a.m.
Tuesday, June 4  Celebrate SJC Day All Day School
Wednesday, June 5  All School Closing Mass 9:15 a.m.
O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament has left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption.

Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
CALENDAR EVENTS:
June 6 6:30-8:30pm Work Tour Mtg
June 10-14 OLC intergenerational local trip
June 13 SJC Battle of the Bands
June 27-30 Crossroads hosts water & pop station at our SJC Fest
June 28-30 Teens attend Youth Leadership Conference at Lewis University

Take a great summer night to enjoy the music of our teens & support Service trips!

Thursday June 13
outside the Parish Center

Tickets available at the door only $5
Teen leader Patrick Falvey & adult coordinator Anselmo have details if your band or other musical performance would like to join patrickfalvey10@yahoo.com anselmomarquez@comcast.net

Crossroads teens & families will host the water & pop stands at SJC Fest June 27-30.

Register to join the Crossroads family in our service to our Parish Fest!
Contact Leann Schied at (708) 752-1906 or email her at mjs071800@sbcglobal.net

STUDENT PRAYER FOR EXAMS

Lord Jesus, As I now prepare for my exams, I ask you to grant me strength of mind and constant hope. Banish from my mind all fear, anxiety, regret and nervous distraction. May your gift of the Holy Spirit guide and enlighten my fragile mind. At this difficult time, give me the gift of self-confidence and an assurance that you will hear my prayer, answer my need and continue to guide me as I pursue life’s journey. I ask this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

APPLICATIONS FOR OUR FALL TEAMS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW

DAY OF THE SPIRIT RETREAT TEAM
FROSH/SOPH RETREAT TEAM
FRESHMEN EXPERIENCE TEAM

Teens share their talents & gifts and are able to assist their peers in building their self-confidence, community and faith!

APPLICATIONS ONLINE at www.stjohnofthecross.org/crossroads/leadership

When teens turn something in BEFORE the deadline you know it is the sign of a positive, enjoyable, engaging activity!
We’ve already received a bunch so join the fun!!!
Can You Help???

It’s once again time to think about this year’s school supply recycling project. With the help of many of you last year in collecting, sorting and packing supplies more than 300 boxes were distributed to grateful not-for-profit organizations.

Helpers of all ages are needed to sort and pack this year’s supplies on Monday and Tuesday mornings, 6/10 and 6/11, from 9 until 12 at Mary Lee and Jim Larsen’s home, 4521 Harvey in Western Springs. Please come for as little or as long as you would like. There will be a pizza lunch and a chance to swim afterwards for those that can stay. This year supplies will also be sent to Haiti through Students Hearts for Haiti. If you know of any additional schools or organizations that might be in need of supplies this year or you have any gently used school/art/office supplies that you would like to donate, please call Mary Lee and Jim at 708-246-3987.

Workshop on Mental Illness – Presented by Chicago Archdiocesan Commission on Mental Illness
The Archdiocesan Commission on Mental Illness is conducting a workshop on the Church and Mental Illness on Saturday, June 15, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.. At Our Lady of the Snows, 4810 S. Leamington, Chicago 60638; doors open for registration at 8:30 a.m. The morning will include first-person accounts on how spirituality helps recovery; practical ideas of what parishes can do to help its members with mental illness and their families; and a showing of the 30-minute DVD, “Welcomed and Valued” produced by the National Catholic Partnership on Disability. Suggested donation: $5.00. For details contact Deacon Tom Lambert (773-525-0453, X21) or Connie Rakitan (708-383-9276).

Ramon Cazales Thank You Note to St. John of the Cross
I am very thankful to the St. Mark Parish Community because they have welcomed my wife Reyna and my two daughters to their family. I feel very fortunate to belong to this this Parish. I have been a member of this parish for the last thirteen years and I want to be here for many more years to come. I have learned so many things in this community. I also feel blessed to be able to pray and break bread with my spiritual family here at St. Mark.

My wife Reyna was the person who convinced me to join the St. Mark Community. Before this, I was not an active Catholic. It was because of my wife encouragement that we, as a family began attending Sunday Mass in a regular basis. Then I began to volunteer as a lector. The more active I became in the spiritual live in the community the more I began to meet our spiritual leaders.

One of these spiritual mentors was Deacon Antonio Navarro. I admired his dedication to our community and his love for his ministry. Deacon Navarro pointed out to me that I could be a great prospective to be a Deacon. He also mentioned to me the great need for new Deacons in our community.

I discerned the idea to become a Deacon for about two years. I spoke to my family about it and they supported me unconditionally to take on this new spiritual journey. I have a new desire to learn more about God so I can serve my Community better. This is the main reason why I decided to join the Deaconate Program.

The idea of becoming a spiritual leader for my community keeps me focused and motivated. There have been very challenging times when I feel overwhelmed by the time commitment. For the first time, I have to sacrifice spending time with my family so I can drive a long distance to Mundelein Seminary to take my classes and then do my homework. Also, having to buy books and other materials was a new financial scarify.

Our Pastor Fr. Jesus Medina recently informed me that the parishioners from St. John of the Cross have sponsored my annual tuition for the Deaconate Program. It was joyful to hear this. I was very moved to hear the news. I could not believe that there were people out there whom I did not even know and yet they were praying and supporting me in this new spiritual journey. Your kind gift reinforces my belief that the Divine Providence of God is always with us. Your thoughtfulness reaffirms my belief that we are one Church in Christ and it encourages me to keep going. I want to thank you on behalf of my wife, my two daughters and the St. Mark Community.

Dios los Bendiga Hoy y Siempre!
Ramón Cazales
In a marvelous little book entitled, The Music of Silence, David Steindl-Rast highlights how each hour of the day has its own special light and its own particular mood and how we are more attentive to the present moment when we recognize and honor these “special angels” lurking inside each hour. He's right. Every hour of the day and every season of the year have something special to give us, but often times we cannot make ourselves present to meet that gift.

We grasp this more easily for special seasons of the year. Even though we are sometimes unable to be very attentive to a season like Christmas or Easter because of various pressures and distractions, we know that these seasons are special and that there are “angels” inside them that are asking to be met. We know what it means when someone says: “This year I was just too tired and pressured to get into the Christmas spirit. I just missed Christmas this year!”

And this isn't just true for special seasons like Christmas and Easter. It's true too, perhaps especially true, for the season we call Ordinary Time. Each year the church calendar sets aside more than thirty weeks for what it calls “Ordinary Time”, a season within which we are supposed to meet the angels of routine, regularity, domesticity, predictability, and ordinariness. Like seasons of high feast, this season too is meant to bring a special richness into our lives.

But it's easy to miss both that season and its intent. The term “Ordinary Time” sounds bland to us, even as we unconsciously long for precisely what it is meant to bring. We have precious little “ordinary time” in our lives. As our lives grow more pressured, more tired, and more restless, perhaps more than anything else we long for “ordinary time”, quiet, routine, solitude, and space away from the hectic pace of life. For many of us the very expression, "ordinary time", draws forth a sigh along with the question: "What's that? When did I last have 'ordinary time' in my life?" For many of us “ordinary time” means mostly hurry and pressure, “the rat race”, “the treadmill”.

Many things in our lives conspire against "ordinary time"; not just the busyness that robs us of leisure, but also the heartaches, the obsessions, the loss of health, or the other interruptions to the ordinary that make a mockery of normal routine and rhythm and rob us of even the sense of "ordinary time". That's the bane of adulthood.

Many of us, I suspect, remember the opposite as being true for us when we were children. I remember as a child often being bored. I longed almost always for a distraction, for someone to visit our home, for special seasons to celebrate (birthdays, Christmas, New Year's, Easter), for most anything to shake up the normal routine of “ordinary time”. But that's because time moves so slowly for a child. When you're seven years old, one year constitutes one-seventh of your life. That's a long time. In mid-life and beyond, one year is a tiny fraction of your life and so time speeds up - so much so in fact that, at a point, you also sometimes begin to long for special occasions to be over with, for visitors to go home, and for distractions to disappear so that you can return to a more ordinary rhythm in your life. Routine might be boring, but we sleep a lot better when our lives are being visited by the angels of routine and the ordinary.

Today there's a rich literature in both secular and religious circles that speaks of the difficulties of being attentive to the present moment, of meeting, as Richard Rohr puts it, “the naked now”, or what David Steindl-Rast calls, “the angels of the hour”. The literature varies greatly in content and intent, but it agrees on one point: It's extremely difficult to be attentive to the present moment, to be truly inside the present. It's not easy to live inside "ordinary time".

There's a Chinese expression that functions both as a blessing and a curse. You make this wish for someone: May you live in interesting times! As children, had someone wished that on us it would have meant a blessing; our lives then were replete with routine and the ordinary. For a child time moves slowly. Most children have enough of ordinary time.

However, as adults, for most of us, that wish is probably more curse than blessing: The pressures, heartaches, illnesses, losses, demands, and seemingly perpetual interruptions that beset our lives, though perhaps not normally recognized as “interesting times”, are indeed the antithesis of routine, regularity, domesticity, predictability, and ordinariness. And they deprive us of “ordinary time”.

The church challenges us to be attentive to the various seasons of the year: Advent, Lent, Christmas, Easter, Ascension, and Pentecost. Today, I submit, it needs to challenge us particularly to be attentive to "ordinary time". Our failure to be attentive here is perhaps our greatest liturgical shortcoming.

Oblate Father Ron Rolheiser, theologian, teacher, and award-winning author, is President of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, TX. He can be contacted through his website www.ronrolheiser.com.
Our success relies on YOU! It is your generous donation of items and volunteer support that keep the sale going year after year. Check your closets, toy boxes, cupboards, attic, basement and garage for items to donate. Please separate and label your bags i.e. adult clothing, boys’ clothes, housewares items, etc. Given the multitude of items received, this really saves us time! Give generously and please give items in usable condition.

The mission of the Garage Sale means giving to those in need, respecting others less fortunate, bringing together volunteers in a Christian spirit, raising funds to support local charities within our community, supporting the parish as a whole, and it means... making a difference in the lives of others!

**Volunteer Information**

We need your help! Believe it or not...it’s fun, it’s crazy, it’s truly an amazing event you won’t want to miss out on. You’ll meet and make new friends while giving back to the community!

**Volunteer Hours – Come Anytime – No Need to Sign Up!**

Just come when you can...give an hour, or two or more...on any or all days. Truly, any amount of time you can give is greatly appreciated!

Free babysitting available: Call Rita Forster (708) 246-4519

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**Sale Day**

- June 22 8:30am to 2pm
- Half-Price/Bag Sale Day* June 24 8:30am to 1pm

*Please let a Garage Sale/Room Chair know which hours you can work these days*

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**Donations Accepted at the School:**

- Saturday, June 15: 9am – 2pm
- Mon - Wed, June 17 – 19: 10am – 8pm
- Thursday, June 20: 10am - 6pm ONLY

NO DROP OFFS ACCEPTED FRIDAY, JUNE 21

**We Will Not Be Able to Accept:**

Any items if stained, torn or damaged including clothing, undergarments, linens, stuffed toys, furniture and rugs

- Items missing pieces/parts
- Console stereos, console TVs, electric organs, typewriters, trophies non-motorized treadmills, Nordic Tracks
- Bikes not in working condition
- Bed Frames or mattresses, traverse drapery rods
- Encyclopedias, textbooks, magazines
- Large appliances (stoves, microwave ovens, washers/dryers), humidifiers
- Large Artificial Christmas trees/stands
- Skis/ski boots
- Computers 7 years or older, ANY monitor other than flat screen
- Construction materials, kitchen cupboards, shutters, metal filing cabinets/desks
- Tires • Perishable/non-perishable food items

**LARGE ITEM PICK-UP** available on Monday thru Thursday, June 17th - 20th, thanks to our all-volunteer crew. To schedule call Marian Orth (708) 246-2160 or Connie Madden (708) 417-2012, **last day to request pick-up is June 15th.** Donation receipts available.

**Pick-up volunteers and vehicles are needed!**

Call Connie Madden (708) 417-2012 to offer.

**General Sale Questions:** please call Garage Sale Co-Chairs Mary Beth White (708) 246-6339, or Laurie Klafta (708) 784-0667.

**Thank you for your support! ~ The SJC Women’s Club**
CALLING ALL ANGELS!!
It doesn’t matter if you don’t know a flower from a weed –
Your energy and enthusiasm is really all we need!!

The SJC Gardening Angels would like your help! Keeping our parish gardens welcoming, weed free, and watered takes a lot of effort! Can you spare some time and energy to help us out over the next several months? We have many “levels” of volunteerism to suit your schedule and would welcome ANY help you could offer! Confirmation candidates and Crossroad Teens have been invited to participate as well!

SPECIAL PROJECTS GROUP – This group helps at one or all of the following:
- Planting Day (June 8 – Shifts are 9:00 am – Noon and/or 1:00 – 3:00 pm - weather permitting)
- Mulching Day (June 22 – weather permitting)
- Autumn Clean Up (sometime near the end of October of beginning of November)

SUBSTITUTE VOLUNTEERS – This group helps out on an “as needed” basis when one of our regular weekly gardeners is on vacation over the summertime.

REGULAR WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS – These volunteers work with a gardening buddy and come to garden once each week for about two hours. (Based on how many volunteers we have – we may be able to spread this out to once every other week.)

If you would like to be a part of this dedicated and energetic group or have additional questions, kindly contact:
Jan Grabacki - 708/246-4610 (Home) or 630/204-5264 (Cell) – OR - beaconjan@aol.com

MANY HANDS MAKE FOR LIGHT WORK! THANKS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

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**Women’s Club News**

FREE BABYSITTING is available to all Garage Sale volunteers during set-up times (see flyer for more info). Just call Rita Forster at 708-246-4519 to schedule.

All volunteers who work six hours or more SHOP EARLY for the best selection on Friday, 21 from 3pm to 6pm.

**Mom’s Club**

**Women’s Club Garage Sale Tot Room:**
Volunteers needed: (June 17-21), the day of the sale (June 22) and half-price sale (Monday, June 24)
For more information contact Jennifer or Katie:
Jennifer Nikolic (312-802– 6969; jkravcik@gmail.com)
Katie Leff (708-220-0831; kmleff@gmail.com)

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**Men’s Golf Outing**

Join the men of the parish at the Men’s Club Annual Golf Outing at Flagg Creek Golf Course
**Friday, June 7th**
Cost: $26, includes cart and two beverage tickets and entry into contests. Contests: low score, closest to the pin; longest drive; longest putt. Checks should be made payable to SJC Men’s Club and delivered to the Parish Center. Tee times from 12:30 to 2 p.m. followed by beverages and snacks in the clubhouse.

Name of player(s): ______________________________________________________________

A great way to meet other men in the parish!!
Week at a Glance

**Monday, June 3**
- 10:30 a.m. Step 11 Christian Meditation
- 2:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
- 2:30 p.m. Spiritual Journaling

**Tuesday, June 4**
- 9:30 a.m. Focus on Sunday Scriptures Group
- 9:00 a.m. Celebrate SJC

**Wednesday, June 5**
- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 3
- 2:00 p.m. Christian Meditation
- 7:30 p.m. Christian Meditation

**Thursday, June 6**
- 8:30 a.m. Staff Development Day
- 1:30 p.m. Creed Study
- 6:00 p.m. Work Tour Formation Meetings
- 7:00 p.m. Baptism Prep Meetings
- 7:00 p.m. Festival Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Creed Study

**Saturday, June 8**
- 7:00 a.m. Christian Meditation
- 7:00 p.m. Sacred Marriage Meeting

Pray for our Sick

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You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.
Psalm 110

Pray for our Beloved Dead

- **Eileen Hans**, mother of Ted and Grandmother of Rebecca, Teddy and Jenna
- **Bob Ptacek**
- **Virginia Saban**, mother of Margaret, William & James
- **Calvin Wright**, stepfather of Paul Altman

Summer Mass Schedule
- There will be no 12:15 p.m. Sunday Mass during the summer until the weekend after Labor Day, September 8th.
- During the summer months there will be no 6:30 a.m. Mass until Labor Day.

Mass Intentions

**Monday, June 3, St. Charles Lwanga**
7:45 Ervin & Sophie Rozsypal; Eugene Garvey

**Tuesday, June 4**
7:45 Bob Cosgrove; Richard Finn

**Wednesday, June 5, St. Boniface**
7:45 Dorothy Di Salvo; Margo Hermes

**Thursday, June 6, St. Norbert**
7:45 Capt. Ace Evans; Richard Burke

**Friday, June 7, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**
7:45 Lawrence Hickey; Jean Onesto

**Saturday, June 8, The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- 8:00 Jeanie D’Ambrose; Patrick D. Kelly; Mark Wilk
- 5:00 Walter Cebula; Rosalie & Michael Krupski

**Sunday, June 9, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 7:30 SJC & Kolbe House Parishioners
- 9:00 Mary Corcoran; Tom Brown
- 10:45 Brian Donovan; Peter T. Glen
- 5:00 Bill Dicker; Philip Corboy

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