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*St. Irenaeus Parish, Park Forest, Illinois*

*October 30, 2011 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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## ST. IRENAEUS 31TH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH, 2011  
SERVING 2:00 TO 6:00 PM

Buy your tickets after Mass  
or at the Door

Adults \$9.00

Children under 12 \$3.00



### Menu

Spaghetti & Meatballs

Our Own Special Sauce

Bread & Butter

Cole Slaw & Dessert Table

Drinks available: Beer, Pop & Wine



**The Gospel Choir of the  
Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago**

**In Concert  
Sunday, November 13 4:00 p.m.**

**at  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
2901 Western Ave, Park Forest, IL**

**There will be a freewill offering to benefit the Grover Wright and Rev. Carol Burns Scholarship Funds.  
Bring a food offering to share with the Rich Township Pantry.**

**A Mass Choir Number will be done. If you or your church choir are interested in singing in the mass choir  
number or if you have questions about the concert, contact the church office at 708-747-8388.**

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**Ramblings!**

The last couple of weeks our community has been prayerfully reflecting on Stewardship and Offering our gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure. As we continue our work of carrying out the mission entrusted to us of going out into the world sharing the Good News we stop along the way to acknowledge our many blessings. And so we ask ourselves how can we make a return to God for all the blessings God has given us individually and as a faith community?

I want to thank everyone for taking the time to reflect and pray over what you can offer in terms of Time, Talent and Treasure. We all have gifts, we all have talents that we can bring to the community and offer in service to the God of all Creation. We all have what we are as people of faith deep within our hearts that we can offer in love to the God of all Creation. And we all offer what we are able in the Sunday offertory out of gratitude to the God of all Creation.

May the God of all Creation continue to shower this vibrant faith community with God's choicest blessings!

Some parish tidbits:

The work on the parapet wall of the RE Center gym began this week. It should be completed soon depending on weather conditions.

The parish clean-up day will be held soon, please consider joining in the fun and festivity with some hot refreshments afterwards.

The parish annual spaghetti dinner will be held TODAY from 2pm-6pm. Why not bring your family and friends for an afternoon of fellowship with the community?

Peace

Fr Terry

**FIRST WEEKEND OF THE MONTH  
FOOD PROJECT November 5 & 6**

Thank you for your ongoing thoughtfulness and provision for the less fortunate. When you do your family's shopping this week, please remember the less fortunate who are unable to provide for enough food to supply even their most basic needs. Dry goods are always welcomed, as are



canned fruits, meats, soups and vegetables. Thank you for whatever you can do.

**South Suburban Interfaith  
Job Search Network**

Navigating a Tough Job Market

“How To Network and Sell Yourself”  
and a group discussion on job search issues.

Wednesday, November 2, 2011  
6pm-8pm

Living Springs Community Church  
19051 Halsted St. Glenwood, IL  
Phone: (708) 799-1160

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL  
PLEDGE REPORT 2011  
ST. IRENAEUS PARISH**

As of October 23, 2011

PARISH 2011 GOAL:	\$15,161.40
AMOUNT PLEDGE:	\$12,810.00
AMOUNT PAID:	\$12,260.00
BALANCE DUE:	\$550.00



**All Saints Day  
Mass Times**  
Tuesday, November 1  
8:00 AM  
&  
7:00 PM



We need Ushers & Greeters at all Liturgies. If you can help please call the rectory 708-748-6891

**Exploring and Expanding Our Images of God:  
Letting the Wisdom of Creation Guide Our Way**

For millions of years, our ancestors remained very close to nature and saw the entire web of life infused with divinity...As we travel the universe in our "Blue Boat Home" how do we live day to day as pilgrims who travel with all that is around us?

As we navigate through our lives together in the universe, we encounter different images and symbols that point to a larger reality and at times capture who God is for us at any given moment. Often as we live through different experiences in life, we realize that we need to expand our understanding of who God is...and let God be God!

Together we will acknowledge those images of God that have captured our experiences of God and look to the Wisdom of Creation for insight and revelation!

Presented by: Fr. Terry Johnson

Contact: Flossmoor Community Church  
2218 Hutchison Road. Flossmoor, IL 708.798.2800 to register.

Meeting: Sunday, Oct. 30 at 6:30 PM

## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

If you or an adult you know is interested in becoming a fully initiated Catholic.

~want to deepen your faith through a learning and sharing experience.

~have been away from the Church but would like to return.

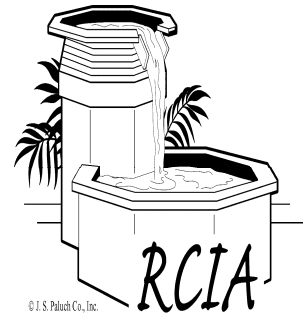
~have been baptized but never received religious instruction in the Catholic faith.

~have never been baptized.

~have never been confirmed.

We have an opportunity for you or someone you know.

Please call the rectory 748-6891 for more information.



**October 30, 2011**

**31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Whoever exalts himself will be humbled.” - Matthew 23:12*

“Exalt” seems like such a pompous word. Who among us would put ourselves on a pedestal and sing our own glory? Yet, that’s what we do when we think that we get all the credit for our accomplishments. We must humbly acknowledge that all we have and all we do is a result of God’s blessings to us. Thus, we are called to give back to God in gratitude for all that He has given to us.

## Eucharistic Prayer – Part II

We have been exposed at our Sunday Masses to the new music and new words of the Eucharistic Prayer. In the current missal that we are using, there are three choices to respond to “Let us proclaim the mystery of faith”. There will be three also in the new missal but they will be as below.

Previous	New
<u>Dying you destroyed our death,</u> <u>Rising you restored our life</u> <u>Lord Jesus, come in glory.</u>	<u>We proclaim your death, O Lord</u> <u>And profess your Resurrection</u> <u>Until you come in glory.</u>
When we eat this bread and drink this cup We proclaim your death, <u>Lord Jesus</u> Until you come <u>in glory.</u>	When we eat this bread and drink this cup We proclaim your death, <u>O Lord,</u> Until you come <u>again.</u>
<u>Lord,</u> by your cross and resurrection You have set us free. <u>You are the savior of the world.</u>	<u>Save us, Savior of the world,</u> <u>For</u> by your cross and resurrection, You have set us free.

The underlined portions are the differences. Note that the response we are most familiar with has been totally replaced. A statement about Christ has been replaced by a prayer to Him. Again, the new translation of the same Latin words are closer to the Latin. New musical settings for the Memorial Acclamations have been created and as we sing them they will become second nature. You will soon be able to express your praise to God with strength and confidence.

**Vicariate VI and Catholic Theological Union  
South Suburban Adult Faith Formation Series  
2011-2012**

**"Eucharist and Discipleship"**

**Anthony Gittins, CSSP**

**Monday, November 14, 2011 7-8:30 p.m.**

**Host Parish: St. Irenaeus Parish  
78 Cherry St. Park Forest, IL 60466  
Telephone: 708-748-6891**

**"Preview of the Lectionary for Lent"**

**Sallie Latkovich, CSJ**

**Wednesday, February 15, 2012 7-8:30 p.m.**

**Host Parish: St. Lawrence O'Toole  
4101 Saint Lawrence Ave., Matteson, IL 60443  
Telephone: 708-748-6090**

**"Eucharist and Social Justice"**

**Speaker: Rev. Richard Fragomeni**

**Monday, March 19, 2012 7-8:30 p.m.**

**Host Parish: Infant Jesus of Prague Parish  
1131 Douglas Ave. Flossmoor, IL 60422  
708-799-5400**

**Come and take part in this wonderful faith-sharing opportunity with fellow Catholics!**

**A free will offering will help defray costs for the each evening.**

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**Kevin Biksacky  
&  
Bonny Malloy**

## Mass Intentions For The Week

**Monday, October 31**

**St. Anthony Mary Claret**

8:00 Anna May Fischer req by  
Ed & Mary Anne Fischer

**Tuesday, November 1**

**All Saints**

8:00 Parishioners of St. Irenaeus  
7:00 Parishioners of St. Irenaeus

**Wednesday, November 2**

**All Souls**

8:00 Parishioners of St. Irenaeus

**Thursday, November 3**

**St. Martin de Porres**

8:00 Communion Service

**Friday, November 4**

**St. Charles Borromeo**

8:00 Communion Service

**Saturday, November 5**

**Blessed Virgin Mary**

5:00 Anna May Fischer req by  
Ed & Mary Anne Fischer

**Sunday, November 6**

8:30 The Kogler & Newhuis Families req by  
Rosemary & Family  
10:30 David Rohn req by  
The De Haven & Parr Families

## Liturgical Ministers

**Saturday, November 5 5:00 pm**

**Lectors**

Bob Carreras, Tim Blumenthal, Sally Fortune  
**Extraordinary Ministers/Eucharist**  
Beverly Helm, Richard Marvin, Eileen Rose,  
Barbara Principali, Jim Silvia, Bob Steiert,  
Therese Goodrich

**Cantor**

Cathy Williams

**Altar Servers**

Myles Greska

**Sunday, November 6 8:30 am**

**Lectors**

Jack Osmolski, Harlan Smith, Laurie Miller  
**Extraordinary Ministers/Eucharist**  
Richard Thomas, Laura Hennessy,  
Chrys Rudnik, Gerry Berish,  
Carol McCullough, Sara Veldhuizen,  
Jim Francesconi

**Cantor**

Faye Predny

**Altar Servers**

Kevin Headly, Michael Rosenquist, Karen Ertl

**Sunday, November 6 10:30 am**

**Lectors**

Linda Marron, Vanessa White, Bill Carreras  
**Extraordinary Ministers/Eucharist**  
Dolly Mikolajczyk, Sevena Merchant,  
Doris Foster, Raye Warkenthien,  
Vincent Oganwu, Dave Perkins, Rita Oganwu

**Cantor**

Marianne Velut

**Altar Servers**

Vincent Oganwu Jr., Elysia Sawyers,  
Stephanie Sagun



## St. Irenaeus's Job Club

Find yourself unemployed, underemployed, or just testing the waters for a career change? Join others who are working together to:

- Lend support when the job of looking for a job gets tough.
- Learn new job search skills, including strategies for online job searches.
- Network to find job leads.

Date & Time: Call to schedule

Place: Religious Education Center / Room #5 (Computer Lab)

Contact: Phyllis Bacon 708-527-6834 to schedule day and time.



## ***Church Stewardship***

### **Budget Information - 17**

	<b>\$5,100.00</b>
October 23 Collection	\$4,869.00
Thank you to the 138 families who used their stewardship envelopes last weekend.	
Money collected\envelopes	\$4,120.00
Loose Money	\$749.00
Budget Year to Date	\$86,700.00
Actual Income Year to Date	\$77,519.63
<b>11/12 Budget Shortage</b>	<b>(\$9,180.37)</b>
<b>Maintenance Fund Oct. 23</b>	<b>\$133.00</b>
<b>Maintenance Fund YTD</b>	<b>\$10,848.00</b>
<b>Collections Prior Fiscal Yrs.</b>	<b>\$389,280.00</b>
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$400,128.00</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$321,232.33</b>

### ***Hotlines:***

#### ***COURAGE***

*For single mothers and unplanned pregnancies*  
708-636-8001

*Catholic Charities Family Shelter*  
312-655-7700

*Senior Services*  
708-596-2222

*Crisis Center for South Suburbs*  
708-429-7233

*Grief Support Center for New Beginnings*  
708-985-3010

*So. Sub. Family Shelter Domestic Violence*  
708-335-3028

*So. Sub. Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse*  
708-647-3333

### ***Ministry of Care & Anointing of the Sick***

Please call the rectory if you, or someone you know, is unable to join us for Eucharist. Our ministers of care visit parishioners at home and in the hospital or nursing home. Arrangements can be made for the celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

### ***The Sacrament of Marriage***

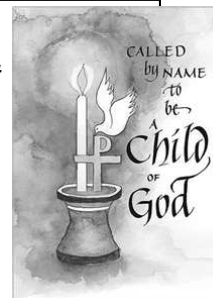
Couples planning to marry must call the rectory at least six months prior to their desired wedding date. All couples must attend a Pre-Cana Conference.

### ***Need prayers?***

*Call the St. Irenaeus Health Ministry Prayer Line at 747-0974 with your requests*

### ***The Sacrament of Baptism***

Baptisms are celebrated the first and third weekends of each month. Parents must attend a baptismal preparation session prior to securing a date for their child's baptism. Please call the parish office for further information and/or to sign up for a baptismal prep session.



### ***St. Irenaeus Ministerial Staff***

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Parish Office Hours:  
Monday-Friday: 9:00 am-5:00 pm,  
closed from 12pm-1:00pm

### ***Bulletin Submissions***

Articles are due by 10 AM on Fridays 8 days prior to publication date. Electronic submissions are preferred – email to [stirenaeus@archchicago.org](mailto:stirenaeus@archchicago.org). Please include "Bulletin article" in the subject line. Questions? Call Terri Cardin at 708-748-6891 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.