

First Friday Club of Chicago



First Friday Club of Chicago Past Speakers: May 2023-1986

May 2023

Mike Mulligan, co-host of the Mully and Haugh show on WSCR 670 AM
"Sports in our changing culture: Why we still lavish faith, hope, and love on America's second religion."

April 2023

Scott Turow, bestselling author and practicing lawyer
"A lawyer first, an author second: A reflection on the development of the law in his lifetime and its impact on society and his books."

March 2023

Sr. Barbara Reid, OP, President of Catholic Theological Union
"Sometimes it causes me to tremble: Let Lent lead us through our fears for the future of the church."

February 2023

Pastor Corey B. Brooks, Founder of New Beginnings Church & Project Hood
"Breaking the Cycle of violence, poverty and racism in Woodlawn."

January 2023

Sally Blount, President & CEO - Catholic Charities of Chicago Archdiocese
"A Wild Ride: How the Holy Spirit Propelled me from Business School to the Boardroom to Battling Poverty."

December 2022

Fr. John Kartje Astrophysicist & Parish Priest
"Rediscovering Awe and Mystery: What Science and Faith Can Tell Us this Advent."

November 2022

Dr. John Duffy, Clinical Psychologist & Best-Selling Author
"It's a Whole New Ballgame: Guiding our Next Generation Through Anxious Times."

October 2022

Fr. Greg Boyle, Founder of Homeboy Industries, one of the largest Gang intervention programs in the country
"The Whole Language: The Power of Extravagant Tenderness."

May 2022

A First Friday Video Conversation
Melody Hobson, Co-CEO of Ariel Investments, and the chairwoman of Starbucks Corporation

April 2022

A First Friday Video Conversation
Annette Nance-Holt, Fire Commissioner of Chicago
"Serving The City She Loves in More Ways Than One."

March 2022

A First Friday Video Conversation
Rev. C.J. Hawking, Executive Director of Arise
"Chicago's Working People: What Did We Learn In The pandemic & How Will The Faith Community Respond."

February 2022

A First Friday Video Conversation
Lynn Osmond, President & CEO of Chicago Architecture Center
"The Year That Was, The Year To Come in Chicago Design & Development"

January 2022

A First Friday Video Conversation
Hermene Hartman, Founder & Publisher of N'DIGO & Emmy Nominated Ndigo Studio on NBC 5 Chicago
"On a Mission: How Chicago's Media Could Unite Our Divided City"

December 2021

A First Friday Video Conversation
Barbara Mahany, Journalist, Essayist & Collector of Stories
"In The Stillness of Winter, Stirring Assuredly Comes."

November 2021

A First Friday Video Conversation
Shaka Rawls & Heidi Stevens, Principal of Leo Catholic High School & Chicago Journalist
"A City Divided: What Will It Take For Chicago's Communities to Come Together?"

October 2021

A First Friday Video Conversation
Dr. Ngozi Ezike, Director of Illinois Department of Public Health
"A View From the Center of the Storm"

May 2021

A First Friday Video Conversation
Fr. James Martin, S.J.
"Back To The Future: How a Visit to the Places where Jesus Lived, Taught & Prayed Changed Everything"

April 2021

A First Friday Video Conversation

Rabbis Evan & Ari Moffic,

"Faith & Religious Traditions: Will They Be Relevant To Future Generations?"

March 2021

A First Friday Video Conversation

Wilton Cardinal Gregory

"From Carthage to Cardinal"

February 2021

A First Friday Video Conversation

Richard Moore, President & CEO of Children in Crossfire

"Learning To See Again – But Differently"

January 2021

A First Friday Video Conversation

Dr. Mary Ellen Caron, CEO of After School Matters

"It All Began with Kids On A Couch: The Amazing Story of After School Matters"

December 2020

A First Friday Video Conversation

Eboo Patel, Founder & President of Interfaith Youth Core

"In This Era of Division, Can We Build an Interfaith America?"

November 2020

A First Friday Video Conversation

Carol Marin & Mary Ann Ahern, Political Reporters for NBC Chicago

"What Just Happened?"

October 2020

A First Friday Video Conversation

Charles Matthews, President & CEO of Peoples Gas & North Shore Gas

"Navigating Challenging Times"

September 2020

A First Friday Video Conversation with Fr. John Cusick & Bill Raleigh, First President of First Friday

A look back on 35 years of history on the First Friday Club of Chicago

May 2020

Luncheon Cancelled Due to Covid-19 Pandemic. City & State in a "Shelter-in-Place" status.

Presented instead:

A First Friday Video Conversation

Fr. Steve Katsouros, S.J., Founding Dean and Executive Director of Arrupe College, Loyola University, Chicago

"Arrupe: Building a Bridge to College"

April 2020

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March 2020

Lori Lightfoot, Mayor of Chicago

"Integrity: Accept No Substitution"

February 2020

Phil Andrew, Director of Violence Prevention for the Archdiocese of Chicago

"From Victim to Director of a Response"

January 2020

Fr. Charlie Rubey, Founder & Director of Catholic Charities LOSS Program (Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide)

"Suicide: The Aftermath"

December 2019

Fr. Ed Foley, Duns Scotus, Professor of Spirituality, Liturgy and Music at CTU

"Advent: The Art of Paying Attention"

November 2019

Ed Wehmer, Founder, President & CEO of Wintrust

"Faith at Work: Let's Talk About It"

October 2019

Alan Krashesky, News Anchor, WLS-TV, ABC, Chicago

"From Fatherless Child to Anchor,

A Story of Love, Faith & Family"

May 2019

Fr. John Cusick & Rick Kogan, Chaplain of First Friday Club / Journalist & WGN Radio Personality

A Conversation on Cusick's recently released book, "Never Be Ordinary – Wisdom from My Father"

April 2019

Former Congressman Patrick J. Kennedy (D-RI):

Founder of The Kennedy Forum

"Challenging One of the Last Social Taboos - Discrimination Against Mental Health, Addiction, and Other Brain Diseases"

March 2019

Joy Loverde, Author

Who Will Take Care of Me When I'm Old?

*Combined with **ULC's The Authors Group**

February 2019

Mary Meg McCarthy, Executive Director, National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC)

The Statue of Liberty – Turning Her Back on Immigration? Immigrants in Search of Human Rights and Justice

January 2019

Arne Duncan, Former United States Secretary of Education, Co-Founder Chicago CRED

"Ending Gun-Violence in Chicago"

December 2018

Auxiliary Bishop Ron Hicks, Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Chicago

"Light in the Darkness – Discovering Light and Hope in the Christmas Event"

November 2018

Fr. Thomas J. Hurley, Pastor of Old St. Pat's Church in the West Loop

"Pastoring a Church in a Time of Crisis – I Didn't Sign up for This"

October 2018

Joel Weisman, Journalist

"Is the Press the Enemy of the People?"

May 2018

Maureen Maher, Award-Winning Investigative Journalist
CBS News Magazine, 48 Hours

*"The World I Want for my Daughter...and Son.
Using Lessons from Our Time to Create a*

April 2018

Kenneth Woodward, Author and Religion Editor (Retired),
Newsweek

*"Religion and American Politics: The Recent
History of a Stormy Relationship"*

March 2018

Rev. David Kelly, Executive Director, Precious Blood
Ministry of Reconciliation and Chaplain of Kolbe House

"Violence is a Three-sided Coin"

February 2018

Mark McGreevy, Co-Founder, Depaul International and
Group Chief Executive

*"No Room in the Inn: A Bold Response to
Street Homelessness at Home and Abroad"*

January 2018

Rev. Greg Boyle, S.J., Founder, Homeboy Industries and
Author of *"Barking to the Choir"*

*"Barking to The Choir: A moving example of
Unconditional Love in difficult times."*

December 2017

John (Jack) Shea, Author/Theologian

"Christmas, It Never Grows Old"

November 2017

Patrick M. Magoon, President & CEO, Lurie Children's
Hospital

*"Our Children, Our Future – Protecting Their
Health and Well-being"*

October 2017

Hon. Anne M. Burke, Illinois Supreme Court Justice and
Founder of Special Olympics

*"Commemorating 50 Years of the Special
Olympics, Is It Possible for One Person to
Change the World"*

May 2017

David Axelrod, Political Commentator and Author of:
Believer: My Forty Years in Politics"

"The Evolving Media and Political Landscape"

April 2017

Mark Kennedy Shriver, President, Save the Children
Action Network, Author of *Pilgrimage: My Search for the
Real Pope Francis*

"My Search for the Real Pope Francis"

March 2017

Cardinal Blase Joseph Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago

"GPS for the Soul"

February 2017

Dr. Jo Ann Rooney, 24th President, Loyola University of
Chicago

*"Is There a Changing Catholic Identity in
Catholic Universities Today"*

January 2017

Jeanne Bishop, Attorney, Author and Social Justice
Leader

"Forgiveness: The Impossible Virtue"

December 2016

Rev. William J. Moriarity, Associate Pastor, Holy Name
Cathedral. Chaplain Extraordinaire, Northwestern Memorial
Hospital

*"Living the Festival of Light. Yes, Light is
Stronger than Dark"*

November 2016

Mary Ann Ahern and Carol Marin, Chicago Political
Journalists, NBC5 Chicago

"The Finish Line is in Sight!"

October 2016

Eddie Johnson, Chicago Police Superintendent

"Is There Any Light at the End of the Tunnel?"

May 2016

Toni Preckwinkle, President, the Cook County Board

*"Can We Afford to Care for Those Who Most Need
Government?"*

April 2016

Rick Pearson, Chief Political Reporter, the Chicago
Tribune and Host of the Sunday Papers, WGM-AM 720

*We Have Never Been Down This Road Before.
Where is This Yellow Brick Road Taking Us?"*

March 2016

Rev. Shannon Kerschner, Pastor, Fourth Presbyterian
Church

"Resurrection Moments in a Time of Lent"

February 2016

Fr. Michael Pfleger, Senior Pastor, St Sabina Catholic
Community

*A City in Turmoil-News to Some-Just Another Day
for Others"*

January 2016

David Anderson, Co-Founder and Former CEO, Student
Loan 411

*When a Real Good Idea Becomes a Real Big
Problem-Student Loans"*

December 2015

Fr. John C. Cusick, Founding Member, the First Friday
Club of Chicago and Former Director, Young Adult Ministry,
Archdiocese of Chicago

"An Adult Appreciation of the Christmas Story"

November 2015

Thomas J. Dart, Sheriff Cook County

*"Sheriff or Therapist? The Man Who Runs
America's Largest Mental Healthcare Provider"*

October 2015

David Gregory, Former NBC Journalist and Anchor of
Meet the Press

"How is Your Faith: An Unlikely Spiritual Journey"

May 2015

Archbishop Blase J. Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago
*"The State of the Archdiocese of Chicago through
a New Set of Eyes"*

April 2015

Richard J. Gannotta, President Northwestern Memorial
Hospital
*"Grabbing the Mindfulness Needed for a High
Reliability Life"*

March 2015

Martin E. Marty, Religious Scholar
"Religion: Alien in Society and Culture?"

February 2015

John Bucksbaum, Founder of Bucksbaum Retail
Properties, LLC
*"Realizing Maximum Gain on a No-Risk
Investment"*

January 2015

Greg Hinz, Government & Political Columnist, Crain's
Chicago Business
"Where Do We Go from Here in the New Year?"

December 2014

Barbara Mahany, Author and Journalist
"There is Something About December"

November, 2014

Nancy Hughes Moyer, President & CEO, Volunteers of
America-Illinois
*"From the Privilege of Serving to the Struggle of
Surviving"*

October 2014

Dan McGrath, President, Leo High School
*"Who is Winning the Game?
Hope or Hopelessness"*

May 2014

Chaz Ebert, Wife of Movie Critic Roger Ebert
"Roger Ebert-More Than You Know"

April 2014

Emerson Spartz, CEO Spartz, Inc.
*"The "New" American Business Executive-The
New Face of Creativity and Success"*

March 2014

Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III, Pastor, Trinity United Church of
Christ, Chicago, IL
*"Lent: A Season of Reflection Leading One to
Actions of Love and Justice"*

February 2014

Maurice Possley, Pulitzer Prize Winner for Investigative
Reporting
*"Wrongful Convictions; Wasted Lives of Innocent
People"*

January 2014

Rev. Don Senior, C. P., President Emeritus. Catholic
Theological Union
*"Small Chapel or Big Tent; What Should the
Church be? Some Biblical Leads"*

December 2013

Judith Valente, Award winning PBS Journalist, Poet,
Author and Producer
"Shopping for Some Solitude"

November 2013

Fr. Matthew Foley, Pastor, St. James Parish and former
Chaplain, U. S. Army
"Today's U.S. Soldier"

October 2013

Jeff Stratton, President, McDonalds' USA
"Fries with That?"

May 2013

Rick Kogan, Chicago Tribune Journalist and Radio
Personality
"Roger Ebert—The End of an Era?"

April 2013

Rev. Terence M. Keehan, Pastor, Holy Family, Inverness,
IL
*The Divine/Human Enterprise: Our Partnership of
Working with God"*

March 2013

Attorney **Bernadine Karge**, OP, JD, Staff Attorney Chicago
Legal Clinic
Living in the "ICE" Age"

February 2013

Hallie Gordon, Director of Steppenwolf for Young Adults
with **Miles Harvey**, Assistant Professor DePaul University
and Author
"Youth Violence: Now is the Time to Listen"

January 2013

Geoffrey Baer, Producer and Program Host, WTTW
"Let Me Tell You a Story"

December 2012

Fr. Martin O'Donovan, Pastor of Saints Faith, Hope and
Charity
"Can You Find the Child?"

November 2012

Dr. Paul M. Green, Arthur Rubloff Professor of Policy
Studies at Roosevelt University, Political Analyst for WGN
Radio, Guest Columnist for Crain's
*"Deciding Our Future: Promises, Illusions and
Elections"*

October 2012

Superintendent Garry McCarthy, Chicago Police
"Deliver Us from Evil"

May 2012

Christopher G. Kennedy, President Merchandise Mart
Properties
"Feeding the Human Hunger"

April 2012

Doug Porter, CEO Ronald McDonald House Charities of
Chicago and NW Indiana
*"Building a Promise: the New Ronald McDonald
House near Lurie Children's Hospital"*

March 2012

Rev. Edward Foley, Duns Scotus Professor of Spirituality and Professor of Liturgy and Music at Catholic Theological Union

"Beyond Self-Denial: Why Lent Matters"

February 2012

Mike Leonard, Executive Producer & NBC "Today" Show Correspondent

"This One Became Personal"

January 2012

Thomas M. Owens, Founder, The CARA Program

"The Business of Changing Lives"

December 2011

Rev. Richard Sparks, C.S.P., Associate Pastor, Old St. Mary's Parish

"Tis the Reason for the Season! What is That Reason?"

November 2011

Governor James R. Thompson

"Politics and Government: Only Passion Makes Them Work"

October 2011

Ron Magers, Co Anchor ABC 7 Chicago News at 5 and 10 pm

"Maintaining Personal Integrity in a Ratings Driven Business"

May 2011

Rev. John C. Cusick, Co-Founder of and Chaplain to the First Friday Club of Chicago

"In a Polarized Society, Keeping Alive the Dream of Connecting Our Faith, Our Work and the Issues of the Day"

April 2011

Rev. Patrick E. McGrath, S. J., President Loyola Academy

"Practical Spirituality in Our Contemporary World?"

March 2011

Fr. Bruce Wellems, Pastor of Holy Cross/Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

"Responding to Violence in Our Chicago Communities"

February 2011

Howard Reich, *Chicago Tribune* Arts Critic and Writer/ Co-Producer "Prisoner of Her Past"

"A Son's Journey to Find His Mother's Story: History, Hope and the Holocaust"

January 2011

Lou Manfredini, WGN Radio's Mr. Fixit

"Your Faith and Your Business: What Do You Need - What are You Willing to Give Back?"

December 2010

Fr. Robert Barron, Francis Cardinal George Chair of Faith and Culture St. Mary of the Lake Seminary

"Have Yourself a Subversive Little Christmas: A New Reading of the Christmas Story"

November 6, 2010

Carol Marin, Investigative Reporter, Political Columnist and Commentator

"Reading the (Political) Tea Leaves"

October 2010

Andy Shaw, Executive Director, The Better Government Association

"What Should Good Government Look Like?"

May 2010

Thomas S. Ricketts, Chairman of the Chicago Cubs, Chairman and CEO Incapital, LLC

"It Is More Than a Game...and More Than a Business, Too"

April 2010

Mary Sullivan Josephs, Executive Managing Director Evergreen Private Capital Advisors, LLC

"Is There Another Way of Doing Business?"

March 2010

Jim Wallis, President and Executive Director Sojourners

"A Moral Compass for a New Economy"

February 2010

Gary Johnson, President Chicago History Museum

"Lincoln and Chicago: A Past and Present Love Affair"

January 2010

Stephen J. Grabek, Regional President Chartis Insurance

"The Human Side of a Corporate Disaster"

December 2009

Rabbi Evan Moffic, Rabbi, Congregation Solel

"The Dignity of Difference: Religious Pluralism in a Global Age"

November 6, 2009

Jean Lenti Ponsetto, Athletic Director, DePaul University

"The Big Business of College Athletics: Who Wins? And, Who Loses?"

October 2009

Catherine DeAngelis, M.D., Editor of the *Journal of the American Medical Association*

"Health System Reform or Bust"

May 2009

Rich King, Sports Anchor/Reporter WGN-TV News and Author

"My Maggie"

April 2009

Sr. Mary Paul McCaughey, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Chicago

"So What Is Catholic About Catholic Schools?"

March 2009

Patrick Collins, Chairman Illinois Reform Commission and Partner at Perkins Coie

"The Journey to Illinois Ethics Reform—The Role Each of Us Can Play"

February 2009

Albert Friedman, President and CEO Friedman Properties

"Preserving Our Past, Building Our Future, and Empowering Our Communities"

January 2009

Tammy Duckworth, Director Illinois Veterans' Affairs
"Duty, Honor, Country"

December 2008

Fr. Jack Wall, President Catholic Extension Society
"Awakening the Mission Spirit"

November 2008

Jim Edgar, Former Governor, the State of Illinois
"The State and the Nation"

October 2008

Fr. Andrew M. Greeley, Priest, Sociologist, Journalist and Author
"Some Signs of Hope?"

May 2008

James C. Tyree, CEO Mesirow Financial
"Money Makes the World Go Round – Commerce Drives Everything. One Person's Perspective on Balancing the Priorities of Work, Home and Community"

April 2008

Lester Munson, Investigative Sportswriter
"Congress, Baseball, Clemens and Bonds: Cheating or Performing or the tip of the Iceberg?"

March 2008

Dr. Eboo Patel, Executive Director Interfaith Youth Core
"Is Religion the Modern Day Enemy? The Need for a Different Conversation on Religion"

February 2008

Fr. John P. Foley, Chairman of the Cristo Rey Network
"The Cristo Rey Story: How a Jesuit, Catholic High School is Changing the Face of Urban Education in America"

January 2008

Garry Wills, Author and Professor of History Emeritus at Northwestern University
"Head and Heart: American Christianities"

December 2007

Fr. Pat Brennan, Pastor Holy Family Parish, Inverness
"The Annual Celebration of the Christ Event – Getting Beyond the Birth of a Child to a Life-Changing Experience"

November 2007

Emily Barr, President and General manager ABC 7 Chicago (WLS-TV)
"Everybody's Talking at Me: The Role of Local Media in an Overexposed World"

October 2007

Patrick Magoon, President and Chief Executive Officer Children's Memorial Medical Center
"Fostering Hope and Healing for Our Children Today, Tomorrow and for Generations to Come"

May 2007

Jim Mullen, Chicago Police Officer and Disabilities Editor for CBS 2 Chicago
"Now What? Facing a Completely Uncertain Future"

April 2007

Jack Fassnacht, Intellectual Property Attorney
"The Gift of Life: A Guided Tour through the World of Organ Transplantation"

March 2007

Fr. Dennis H. Holtschneider C. M., President of DePaul University
"Diversity-A Modern Day Blessing or Curse?"

February 2007

Scott Turow, Author and Attorney
"Ordinary Heroes"

January 2007

Cheryle Jackson, President Chicago Urban League
"The Changing Urban Landscape"

December 2006

Catherine O'Connell, Chicago's Irish Diva
"Telling the Story in Words and in Song"

November 2006

Michael Flannery, Political Editor, CBS 2 Chicago
"Reading the Election Eve Tea Leaves"

October 2006

Rev. Michael L. Pfleger, Pastor, St. Sabina Church
"Setting a Place at the Same Table for Religion and Politics"

May 2006

George Weigel, Author
"Pope Benedict XVI and the Future of the Catholic Church"

April 2006

John David Mooney, Artist
"Art Outside Museums"

March 2006

Johnpaul Cafiero, Friar
"I Thirst"

February 2006

Abol Jalilvand, Dean and Professor of Finance, School of Business Administration, Loyola University Chicago
"Producing a Responsible MBA: Where Leadership meets Ethics"

January 2006

Dr. Martin E. Marty, Author Educator and Humanitarian
"When Faiths Collide"

December 2005

Monsignor Kenneth Velo, Senior Director of Catholic Collaboration at DePaul University
"Where is the Star of Bethlehem?"

November 2005

Margaret Larson, Correspondent, Dateline NBC
"Humanitarian Disasters around the World: What is the Role of the Press, Citizens and Especially People of Faith in Responding to these Ongoing Crises?"

October 2005

Peter Steinfels, Senior Religion Correspondent of the New York Times and Author
"Religion in the Year 2025: The Big Questions"

May 2005

William M. Daley, Midwest Chairman of J.P. Chase Morgan and Bank One Corporation
"Lessons I Leaned from My Dad"

April 2005

James M. Houlihan, Cook County Assessor
"Is There a More Just Way To Do This?"

March 2005

Ellen Skerrett, Social Historian
"Chicago's Development through the Lens of the Catholic Church"

February 2005

Dr. Mary Hendrix, President and Scientific Director for Children's Memorial Research Center Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine
"What Are Stem Cells and How Can Society Benefit from Their Application in Medicine?"

January 2005

Jerry "The Iceman" Butler, Cook County Commissioner and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Inductee
"Stories and Experiences of Fellow Citizens We Rarely See"

December 2004

Fr. Richard Fragomeni, Storyteller, Author and Lecturer, Vice Rector of The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii, Associate Professor of Liturgy and Preaching at Catholic Theological Union
"Celebrating Light in a Season of Darkness: An Advent Digestivo"

November 2004

James C. Warren, Deputy Managing Editor, Features Section The Chicago Tribune
"Will Bitter Wounds Really Heal? What Did the First Tuesday in November Really Mean?"

October 2004

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Catholic Archbishop of Chicago
"Catholicism in American Public Life"

May 2004

Father Andrew Greeley, Priest, Author, Sociologist
"Priests: A Calling in Crisis?"

April 2004

Dr. Eric Whitaker, Director Department of Public Health
"From Woodlawn to Springfield: A Health Care Plan that Works."

March 2004

Ms. Cathleen Falsani, Religion Writer, The Chicago Sun-Times
"Religion in America The Good, the Bad and the Ugly"

February 2004

Lawrence C. Marshall, Professor of Law at Northwestern University and Legal Director for the Center on Wrongful Convictions
"The Death Penalty: A True Deterrent to Crime or the Ultimate Mistake?"

January 2004

Rick Kogan, Journalist, The Chicago Tribune, Radio Personality, WGN
"The Human Side of a Big City"

December 2003

Rabbi Michael P. Sternfield, Chicago Sinai Congregation
"What Christmas Means to Me"

November 2003

Professor M. Cherif Bassiouni, Professor of Law at DePaul University
"Clash of Civilizations: The Modern Day Crusade- Conflict between Fundamentalist Jews, Christians, and Muslims"

October 2003

Father John Smyth Director, Maryville Academy
"Maryville-Where the Love of Children Comes Before All Else"

May 2003

Allison Rosati, Anchor and Reporter for NBC
"There is Always Time for what is Important"

April 2003

Rev. Donald Senior, C. P., President, Catholic Theological Union
"Jewish People and Their Scripture in the Christian Bible (and in Our Lives)"

March 2003

Arne Duncan, CEO Chicago Public Schools
"More Than a Job --- A Challenge, a Vision & a Dream"

February 2003

Lowell "Bud" Paxson, Chairman Paxson Communications Corporation
"The Bible - An Entrepreneurial Guide"

January 2003

Dean Koldenhoven, Former Mayor of Palos Heights
"A Profile of Courage"

December 2002

Joanna Adams, Co-Pastor 4th Presbyterian Church
"Be Not Afraid"

November 2002,

Paul Simon, Retired U. S. Senator
"Public Leadership in the Midst of Fear"

October 2002

Paul Harvey, Broadcast Journalist
"Testing Time"

May 2002

Matt Murray, Senior Level Reporter for The Wall Street Journal and Author
"The Challenge to Look at Life Just Below the Surface of Business, Crisis and Everyday Struggles"

April 2002

The Honorable Paul P. Biebel, Jr., Presiding Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County – Criminal Division
"A New Approach to an Old System"

March 2002

Maurine E. Young, Wife and Mother
"Learning to Forgive"

February 2002

Dick Green, President, Blistex, Inc.
"Beyond the Bottom Line"

January 2002

Blair Kamin, Architecture Critic of the Chicago Tribune, Winner of Journalism's Highest Honor, the Pulitzer Prize
"Activist Criticism and the Inescapable Art"

December 2001

Reverend Richard N. Fragomeni, Professor of Liturgy and Homiletics the Catholic Theological Union
"Seeking Spiritual Light During These Dark Days"

November 2001

Justice Anne M. Burke, Justice of the Appellate Court of Illinois, First District
"Listening with Both Ears – a Strategy for Being Human"

October 2001

John J. Fontana, Principal of Fontana & Associates
"How Are We a Community of Workers in a Time of Rugged Individualism?"

May 2001

Gregory Pierce, Co-Publisher, ACTA Publications
"The Spirituality of Work: An Oxymoron?"

April 2001

Dr. Terry Nelson Johnson, Director of Faith Formation Old St. Patrick's Church
"Hope: Precious, Elusive & Essential"

March 2001

Joseph Birkett, State's Attorney, DuPage County, IL
"The Death Penalty—The Legal Ground the Moral Ground"

February 2001

Bill Haljun, President, Big Idea Foundation
"Tales Not For Children"

January 2001

Rahm Emanuel, Former Senior Advisor to the President of the United States for Policy & Strategy
"Reflections on the White House Years"

December 2000

Father Leo Mahon, Pastor Emeritus, St. Mary of the Woods Parish
"The Search for an Abundant Life"

November 2000

Gerald J. Roper, President & CEO
The Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce
"There Is Not Enough Time!"

October 2000

Tim Weigel, CBS 2 Sports Director
"A Whole New Look at the Same Old Things"

May 2000

Marv Levy, Former Vice President of Football Operations & Head Coach of the Buffalo Bills
"The Road to Success"

April 2000

Eric Weinheimer, Executive Director,
The CARA Program
"Learning Life's lessons from Unexpected Teachers"

March 2000

Michael Birck, Chief Executive Officer, Tellabs
"Values at Work in the Marketplace- A CEO's Perspective"

February 2000

Wayne Messmer, Chicago Personality, Singer, Author
"The Voice of Victory"

January 2000

Maggie Daley, Chicago's First Lady & **Shirley Ryan**, Pathways Awareness Foundation
"It's the Stares....Not the Stairs"

December 1999

Rev. James M. Wall, Sr. Contributing Editor,
Christian Century Magazine
"I'm Dreaming of a Mindful Christmas"

November 1999

Hon. James E. Ryan, Atty General, State of Illinois
"We are More Than Our Jobs – Faith, Family, Friendship"

October 1999

Bob Condor, Columnist, Chicago Tribune,
Contributing Editor, The Works Magazine
"Health of Mind, Body and Soul"

May 1999

Michael Howlett, Jr., Attorney, Shesky & Froelich
Board Member of American Refugee Committee
"The Human Face of an Ugly Situation, from Bosnia to Macedonia: Working with Refugees"

April 1999

Charles H. Shaw, Chairman, The Shaw Company
"We really are in this Together"

March 1999

Hon. Jesse Jackson, Jr., U.S. Congressman
"What should a Multi-Cultural America look like and act like in the New Millennium"

February 1999

Gery Chico, Pres. Chicago School Reform Board
"School Reform – beyond Students & Teacher:
The Responsibility of the Business & Social
Community"

January 1999

John Shea, Theologian, Author, Poet, and Storyteller
"Keeping Spirit Alive"

December 1998

Jean Unsworth, Professor Emeritus of Fine Arts, Loyola
University
"The Search for a Savior"

November 1998

Laura S. Washington, Editor & Publisher, The Chicago
Reporter:
"A Perspective on the November Elections with a
special focus on Race and Poverty"

October 1998

Francis Cardinal George, O. M. I. Archbishop of Chicago
"The Third Millennium of Christianity"

May 1998

Mary Ann Childers, Anchor/Reporter, WBBM-TV
"The Media's Responsibility to the Nation's
Children"

April 1998

Prof. Al Gini, Assoc. Editor of Business Ethics Quarterly,
Professor/instructor of Industrial Relations- Loyola
University, Chicago
"Lack of Vision: Work without Meaning is Deadly"

March 1998

Rev. Stanley L. Davis, Jr., Executive Director,
The National Conference
"The Changing Face of Religion in Chicago"

February 1998

Fr. Andrew Greeley, Priest, Author, Sociologist
"How and Why I Write Novels"

January 1998

Sr. Rosemary Connelly, R.S.M., Executive Director
Misericordia
"From Darkness Into the Light – The Journey of the
Mentally and Physically Challenged"

December 1997

Rev. John Buchanan, Pastor, 4th Presbyterian Church
"Bearing Gifts We Traverse Afar"

November 1997

David Wilhelm, Sr., Managing Director, Everen Securities
"Faith, Character & Politics"

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