

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

OCTOBER 23, 2016 – THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



| SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 | |
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| 5:00 PM | Fr. James Smyth (decd) <i>req. by Denis & Joan Mulcahy</i> |
| SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 | |
| 8:00 AM | Fr. James Smyth (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i> |
| 10:00 AM | Patricia Christian (decd) <i>req. by Parish Friends</i> |
| 12:00 PM | Patricia Christian (decd) <i>req. by Bereavement Group Friends</i> |
| 6:00 PM | Fr. James Smyth (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo and Paul Henshaw</i> |
| MONDAY, OCTOBER 24 | |
| 6:45 AM | Patrick Brady (decd) <i>req. by Betty Madden</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Adrienne Fernan – Special Intention <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i> |
| TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25 | |
| 6:45 AM | Pat White (decd) <i>req. by Bernard & Brooke Madden</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Gilbert D'Andrea (decd) <i>req. by Christine Sciandra</i> |
| WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26 | |
| 6:45 AM | Roger Forand (decd) <i>req. by Carlos Lopez, OCDS</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Hugh J. Flood (decd) <i>req. by John Flood</i> |
| THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27 | |
| 6:45 AM | Patrick Brady (decd) <i>req. by John & Alice Fallon</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Noto Family – deceased members <i>req. by Adrian Reda</i> |
| FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28 | |
| 6:45 AM | Roger Forad (decd) <i>req. by Charles Pendergast</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Gina Mastrangelo-Special Intention <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i> |
| SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 | |
| 9:00 AM | Anna Mercaldo Creegan (decd) <i>req. by Marie Grillo</i> |
| 5:00 PM | Helen Durkin (decd) <i>req. by Richard Doyle</i> |

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 The God of justice knows no favorites.

Psalm 34 "The Lord hears the cry of the poor."

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 I have competed well, I have finished the race.

Luke 18:9-14 "O God, be merciful to me a sinner."

In our Gospel today, Jesus describes two men who went to the temple to pray, but only one comes away justified. The book of Sirach tells us that the one who serves God willingly is heard. As we hear and pray about these Scriptures today, let us listen for clues about the kind of prayer our loving God wishes to hear from us.

MEMORIAL CANDLES & BREAD & WINE

Interested in memorializing the Sanctuary Candle by the Tabernacle or for the Virgin Mary, Our Blessed Lady? These candles, which burn continuously, could burn for your specific intentions. If you are interested in having a loved one remembered or a special intention placed before God, please contact the rectory. An offering of \$15.00 a week is requested.

TABERNACLE CANDLE

IN MEMORY OF DONALD TORRE

REQ. BY DOLORES TORRE

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL CENNERAZZO

BREAD AND WINE

IN MEMORY OF JOHN M. SCHIEL

REQ. BY ROSALIE SHIEL



SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

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| Adoration Chapel | Natalie Philpin | 793-4757 |
| | Patricia Finan | 961-0146 |
| Altar Guild | Jennie Sepe | 776-9847 |
| Bereavement Group | Sr. Florence Mallon | 337-1660 ext.120 |
| Boy Scouts | Donna Ragusa | 472-7567 |
| Religious Education | G.Mastrangelo | 961-2590 |
| C.Y.O. | Joan DeLuca | 497-9798 |
| Catholic Daughters | Martina Parisi | 400-3634 |
| | Dolores Tenzer | 262-8146 |
| Cheerleaders | Lori Fox | 325-0333 |
| Couples for Christ | Dino Paolo Waga | 917-882-2995 |
| Girl Scouts | Jerilin Carota | 968-5526 |
| H. S. A. | Nancy Arzola | 274-0016 |
| Holy Name | Frank Giacoio | 793-5392 |
| Legion of Mary | Josephine Bitetti | 337-1372 |
| Living Rosary | Natalie Philpin | 793-4757 |
| Organist & Adult Choir | Jerry Celestino | 961-2590 |
| Parish Council | Father Fernan | 961-2590 |
| Serra Club | George Alessi | 779-8719 |
| Senior Club | Jennie Sepe | 776-9847 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | Walter Whitmore | 779-1826 |

PARISH SUPPORT

As evidence of their gratitude for God's generosity to them in their lives, our people returned to His Holy Church the following offerings:

| October 16 | 2016 | 2015 |
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| Weekly Collection..... | \$9,213 | \$9,023 |

"As stewards we are accountable to God for our time, talent and treasure. We return to the Lord, the giver of all our gifts, a truly grateful and meaningful first share of our time, talent and treasure.

ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Recitation of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9AM weekday Masses. We will pray the Rosary weekly on Wednesday evenings at 7pm from May through October. Please join us near the outdoor statue of Our Lady as we honor the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

With autumn upon us, please let us remember all those who are in need of a meal or food on the table. There are many who are struggling in our own community. Please remember those who are in need. We are in need of non-perishable food items. (Cereal, soup, pasta, etc.) Please place these items in the baskets at the entrances of the church. We are still in need of volunteers to cook chicken (legs and thighs) for Thursday, October 27th. Please drop off the chicken at the Adoration Chapel parking lot. We serve our people as well as the *Sharing Community* in Getty Square. If you are able to cook but not deliver, please contact either Walter Whitmore (914) 779-1826 or David Fabi at hotfabi@optonline.net.

"For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that."

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel, located in the vestibule, is open daily Mon-Fri from 7am to 4pm, unless noted on schedule. We are asking specifically for prayers for Vocations. Please come and make a visit with the Lord. For more information call George Alessi, 779-8719.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Please contact Martina Parisi at (914) 400-3634 to learn more about the Catholic Daughters. All women of the parish are welcome.

SAINT EUGENE SENIORS

The St. Eugene Seniors meet the first Wednesday of the month in the Kindergarten room of the Parish office. The next meeting is November 2nd at 12:45pm. For more information call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847.

ST. EUGENE BOY SCOUTS

Boy Scout Troop 25 will have a **Halloween Bake Sale** on October 30th after all the Masses. This will help defray their cost of the National Jamboree next summer.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

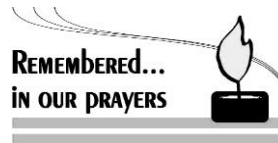
Please keep in your prayers the ill of our parish especially Helen Sheedy, Nicholas Gardini, Andrew Moraitis, Michael Tomanelli, Elise Gelpi, Liam Frawley, Angelo Bavaro, John Hopkin, Deborah Mahon, Vincenzo Tramontozzi, Ralph Grillo, Joseph Kelly, Anna Lisa Miranda, Grisha Balaj, Julia Duffy, Eileen Brasiel, John McGarry, Serette Bernadin, Franzgermain Bernadin, Lisette Abraham, Baby Abigail Raine, Joan Pinto, Celia Torres, Frank Azaltovic, Jennie Sepe, Frankie Delosso, Mary Ann R. Encarnacion Fr. Terence Lee, Francis Bowen, Ann Fama, Phil Smyth, Cora Lucy Sannella, Colin Keenan, John Duby, Tom Tucker, Shirley Smith, Lucille Mallon, Theresa Wilson and those recently called home to God, especially Janet O'Brien, Dante Riccoboni, Pasquale Parrello Jr., Adeline Russo and Paula Piluso. Eternal rest grant unto them O, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

If you know of parishioners who are ill and would like to be visited by a priest, please contact the rectory at 961-2590.

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Janelle Amador, Jose Luis Petrovich, Matthew Valentinetti, Brian Mulhern, John Kollinger, Kevin Brodeur, David Daliso, Logan Wilson, Matthew Fishwick and Kevin Jones. If you have family members or friends you would like to put on our Military Prayer list please notify the Parish Office at 961-2590.

ALL SOULS DAY



All Souls Day is a day we pray for all our beloved dead. If you wish to have your loved ones remembered at the Masses please use the envelope provided in your envelope packet. Additional envelopes are available throughout the Church.

EVENTS IN THE AREA

High School Open House:

The Ursuline School, 1354 North Ave, New Rochelle, open house will be Saturday, 10/29 12:30-3:30PM. Ursuline School is for grades 6-12. For more information and to RSVP please call (914) 500-6212 or visit www.Ursulinenewrochelle.org

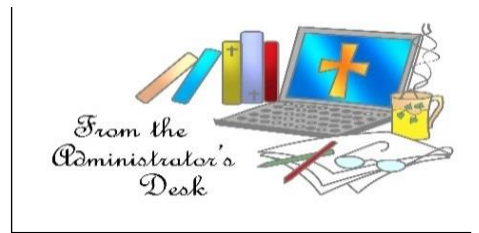
Maria Regina High School, 500 West Hartsdale Ave, Hartsdale, NY, open house for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students and families on Sunday, 10/30 from 1-4PM. For more information call (914) 761-3300 ext. 211 or visit www.mariaregina.org.

Iona Preparatory Upper School, 255 Wilmot Rd, New Rochelle, open house for prospective students and their families Sunday, 10/23, 12noon-3PM or Wednesday, 10/26, 6:30-8PM. For more information & to pre-register visit www.ionaprep.org or contact Barbara Roberson, Dir. of Admissions at (914) 600-6154 or brobertson@ionaprep.org

St. Barnabas High School, 425 E 240th St, Bronx, NY, open house for prospective students and their families Sunday, 10/29 11AM-1PM in the auditorium/café. For more information call (718) 325-8800 ext 20 or visit www.stbarnabashigh.com

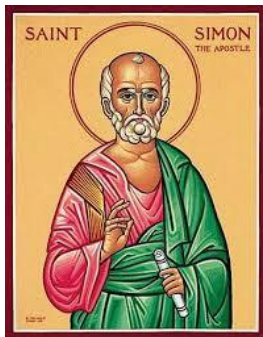
Eucharistic Vigil: At Our Lady of Shkodra, For the Holiness of Priests & Holy Vocations. Located at The Holy Mountain, 361 West Hartsdale Ave, Hartsdale, NY on Friday & Saturday October 28th/29th from 7PM-7AM. For more information call (914) 761-3523.

Dear Parishioners:



- Saint Eugene Choir: As stated in last week's bulletin we would like to start up again a Children's Choir which will sing everyweek at the 10:00 AM Family Mass. Practices will be at 9:30 each Sunday morning before Mass. We are looking for adults who are willing to lend their talent and join our Saint Eugene Adult Choir. The Choir Mass is the 12:00 Mass on Sundays. The practices are held on Sunday mornings at 11:00 AM. If you are interested in joining either choir please fill out the forms located in the back table of the church.
- The Air Ducts: The work is progressing on the air ducts in the church. When all of the air conditioners are cleaned they will again wrap them in heavy tarps for the winter months to prevent any water from entering into the church from the units. After the air conditioners are done they will begin the exhaust ducts located near the wood dividers. When Westchester Air Duct is done, Service Master will be in to clean and vacuum all of our windows and walls. We appreciate your cooperation during this process as some areas may be closed off in the church.

- Feast of Saints Simon & Jude, October 28th: However meager in details is the history of these glorious apostles, we learn from their brief legend how amply they contributed to this great work of generating sons of God. Without any repose, and even to the shedding of their blood, they "edified the body of Christ"; and the grateful Church thus prays to our Lord today: "O God, through the work of the apostles you have spoken your Word of love, your Son, into our world's deafness. Open our ears to hear; open our hearts to heed; open our will to obey, that we may proclaim the good news with our lives." St. Simon is represented in art with a saw, the instrument of his martyrdom.



He is the patron Saint of tanners and curriers. St. Jude's square points him out as an architect of the house of God. Saint Jude is the patron Saint of the impossible and lost causes. St. Paul called himself by this name; and St. Jude, by his Catholic Epistle, has also a special right to be reckoned among our Lord's principal workmen. But our apostle had nobility, far surpassing all earthly titles: being nephew, by his father Cleophas or Alpheus, to St. Joseph, and legal cousin to the Man-God, Jude was one of those called by their compatriots the brethren of the carpenter's Son. We may gather from St. John's Gospel another precious detail concerning him. In the admirable discourse at the close of the last Supper, our Lord said: "He that loveth Me, shall be loved of My Father: and I will love him and will manifest Myself to him." Then Jude asked Him: "Lord, how is it that Thou wilt manifest Thyself to us, and not to the world?" And he received from Jesus this reply: "If any one loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him, and will make Our abode with him. He that loveth Me not keepeth not My word. And the word which you have heard is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me." - *from the USCCB*.

- CYO – Last call for registration. Any student in grades 3-8, who attends Saint Eugene School or Saint Eugene Religious Education and is a registered member of our Parish, and would like to join our CYO basketball, please contact Joan DeLuca at (914)497-9798 ASAP.

- Election Day, November 8th: Archbishop Joseph Kurtz, president of the USCCB stated this week, "In our faith and Our Church, Christ has given us a precious gift. As Catholics, we hold onto our beliefs because they come to us from Jesus, not a consensus forged by contemporary norms. The Gospel is offered for all people for all times. It invites us to love our neighbor and live in peace with one another. For this reason, the truth of Christ is never outdated or inaccessible. The Gospel serves the common good, not political agendas." He continues, "I encourage my fellow Catholic brothers and sisters, and all people of good will, to be good stewards of the precious rights we have inherited as citizens of this country. We also expect public officials to respect the rights of people to live their faith without interference from the state. When communities lose this right, the very idea of what it means to be an American is lost. Politicians, their staff and volunteers should reflect our best aspirations as citizens. Too much of our current political discourse has demeaned women and marginalized people of faith. **This must change.** True to the best of our founding fathers, we are confident that we can do better as a nation." – Please pray for our nation as we enter the final days of this election.



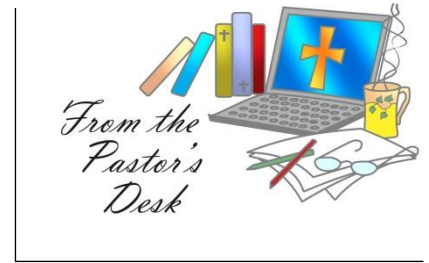
Happy 94TH Birthday in Heaven, Rev. Fr. James Smyth, - We love and miss you!

May God bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

Beloved of God,



I am writing this the afternoon before the last presidential debate. I cannot recall so much conversation, debate, arguing – in effect –



media attention as well as dialoguing by the average person leading up to an election in recent history.

Some people have asked me how I am going to vote. Are they asking me as a person? Are they asking me as a Catholic? Are they asking me as a Priest/Pastor? Probably all of the above. One question I've thought on is..."Can I separate the Person from the Catholic from the Priest?" For

many politicians this seems an easy thing to do, especially when they say... "I am personally opposed to... but I will not let my personal opinions shape my public/political stance." We all know that this statement is completely false not only for politicians but for every person. Our personal views, our religious views, our family views and our personal experiences are involved in shaping who we are, how we think, what we believe and what we do. For example...

A dear friend, a graduate of Cardinal Hayes High School, was a strong *believer in Capital Punishment*. He was never rude in the explanation of his stance, but he was strong in expressing his views. His love for his Alma Mater, Hayes High School – "*Up Hayes and All It's Loyal Men*" – was equally strong so much so that his son also went to and graduated from Hayes. My friend held true to his belief in Capital Punishment until one tragic day... the day his son was shot and killed as an innocent bystander in a drive-by shooting. From that day on, he was *totally against* Capital Punishment. You may be thinking, but his son was just murdered, wouldn't he be a perfect example of a person advocating for Capital Punishment. One day I had the chance and the nerve to ask him why his belief changed in light of the fact that his only son had been killed. He looked at me eye to eye and said... "I would never want any other parent to go through the pain I went through."

So when a person asks me how I am going to vote, they must expect to hear an answer that is influenced by my personal experiences, my family values, my faith and my choice of answering the call from Almighty God to be a servant of His One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. But does that predetermine my vote... so that freewill is taking away. It shouldn't for me or anybody else but some citizens say... "I always vote Republican...or I always vote Democrat!" Others say, "My grandparents were... my parents were... and I and my children will always be..." so they wouldn't think of voting any other way. Doesn't this actually sound like *not exercising your freewill*... that your vote is predetermined. And if the vote is predetermined... then there is no thinking about the issues, there is no thinking about the where the country is and where it could be... there is no thinking.

My friend from Cardinal Hayes had the opportunity with the murder of his son to just simply and instinctively react or to thoughtfully ponder and choose. As you are parents and grandparents, sons and daughters, workers with white or blue collars, male or female, faithfully believers in God and in Jesus Christ and members of the Roman Catholic Church Our Blessed Lord founded and nurtures to this day, in your preparations to vote, think using your freewill, think using your faith, think using the teachings of the Catholic Church, think using your family values, think using your study of the issues and then, please, please, please... PRAY before you vote.

God love you... Father Fernan