

# THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

OCTOBER 30, 2016 – THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29	
5:00 PM	Helen Durkin (decd) <i>req. by Richard Doyle</i>
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30	
8:00 AM	Sabina Lynskey (decd) <i>req. by John Lynskey</i>
10:00 AM	Luigi Dedvukaj – for peace, health and blessings. <i>req. by Mom</i>
12:00 PM	The Sodality of Our Lady from Most Holy Trinity Church <i>req. by Marilyn Montemurro</i>
6:00 PM	Helen Durkin (decd) <i>req. by Delia McDonagh</i>
MONDAY, OCTOBER 31	
6:45 AM	Maria Galve (decd) <i>req. by The Maghuyop Family</i>
9:00 AM	Helen Durkin (decd)
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1	
6:45 AM	Roger Forand (decd) <i>req. by Helen Hanigan, OCDS</i>
9:00 AM	Helen Durkin (decd) <i>req. by Dennis &amp; Mary Murphy</i>
12:00 PM	Sr. Regina Rosaire & Sr. Theresa Ruth – 70 <sup>th</sup> Jubilee Anniversary <i>req. by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Modrovsky</i>
7:30 PM	Jose Goncalves (decd) <i>req. by Maria Lucia Goncavles and Family</i>
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2	
6:45 AM	Carmel Finnegan (decd) <i>req. by Frank &amp; Jackie Finnegan</i>
9:00 AM	Mae Martin (decd) <i>req. by John McKeon</i>
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3	
6:45 AM	Coronato Dalli <i>req. by Carmen Dalli</i>
9:00 AM	Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Veltri & Family
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4	
6:45 AM	John Courtney (decd) <i>req. by Peter &amp; Peggy Clarke</i>
9:00 AM	James Paul Franggos and Catherine & William Cronin (decd) <i>req. by Nancy Franggos</i>
7:30 PM	Anthony Starvaggi (decd) <i>req. by The Thompson Family</i>
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5	
9:00 AM	Helen Durkin (decd) <i>req. by Holly Nunn</i>
5:00 PM	Patrick & Mary Moyles <i>req. by Catherine Dwyer</i>

## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Wisdom 11:22-12:2** The Lord has mercy on all.

**Psalm 145** "I will praise your name for ever, my King and my God."

**2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2** May the name of Christ be glorified in you and you in Him.

**Luke 19:1-10** Jesus came to seek and save what was lost.

Jesus was going to pass through Jericho until He saw Zacchaeus in that tree. Instead He stopped, invited Himself to dinner and turned Zacchaeus' world upside down, saying that "the Son of Man has come to seek and save what was lost." As we contemplate God's mercy in these readings today, let us try to think of times when we feel lost, and how Jesus might catch sight of us and save us as well.

### 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 S. ALLAN**

REQ. BY KATHY ESPOSITO



#### BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

**IN MEMORY OF SABINA LYNKEY**

REQ. BY JOHN LYNKEY

#### BREAD AND WINE

### SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

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

### DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Next Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, Daylight Savings time ends. Remember to turn back your clocks.

## 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 23	2016	2015
Weekly Collection.....	\$8461	\$8781
Mission Sunday.....	\$1633	\$1695
Monthly Collection.....	\$1788	

"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.

## ALL SAINTS DAY

Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation. Our Mass Schedule is 6:45AM, 9AM, 12 Noon, 7:30PM.

## 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 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](mailto: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 will be closed Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> for All Saints Day.**

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.

## LEGION OF MARY

We meet every Tuesday morning immediately after 9AM Mass or Tuesday evening at 7:00PM. For more information please contact Josephine Bitetti at (914) 337-1372.

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:45pm. There is a trip planned for the Westchester Broadway Theater for April 28, 2017 for Mamma Mia. For more information call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

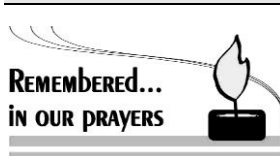
Please keep in your prayers the ill of our parish especially Helen Sheedy, Nicholas Gardini, Andrew Moraitis, Michael Tomanelli, Elise Gelpi, Liam Frawley, Angelo Bavaro, John Hopkin, Deborah Mahon, Vincenzo Tramontozzi, Ralph Grillo, Joseph Kelly, Anna Lisa Miranda, Grisha Balaj, Julia Duffy, Eileen 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, Ann McMahan, and those recently called home to God, especially Theresa Wilson. 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

Jannelle 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.

## PRAYER BEFORE AN ELECTION

Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city, state, and country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.

We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.

We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.

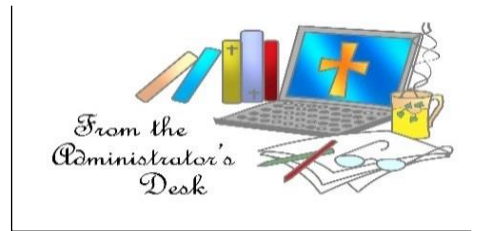
We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Recitation of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9AM weekday Masses.

Dear Parishioners:



- All Saints Day, Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup>: Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is



All Saints Day. All Saints Day is a commemoration of All Holy Martyrs and all the apostles, confessors and all the just and perfect servants of God whose bodies rest throughout the whole world. In the year 835 AD, the Roman Catholic Church made November 1<sup>st</sup> a church holiday to honor all the saints, known and unknown, and to supply any deficiencies in the faithful's celebration of saint's feasts during the year. All Saints Day is a holyday of obligation.

*Dear Father, You have given the saints in Heaven eternal happiness and they now live in the fullness of Your Glory. Because of their Holy love for You, they also care about me and my family. Thank you for the gift of their friendship and the witness of their holy lives. I ask our patron saints and every saint who has become especially dear to me to intercede for us. I ask them to help us journey safely on the narrow path that leads to Heaven. O Lord, give us their protection. Grant us their assistance in overcoming temptation and gaining the fullness of life with You. Amen.*

- All Souls Day, Wednesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>: Let us remember all those who have died and are with Our Lord. May they Rest in Peace. *O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of thy servants, and grant (him/her) an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*



- Thanksgiving Food Drive: As we are entering into the month of November and the Thanksgiving Season, let us remember those who are less fortunate than ourselves. The parish food drive, working with our Saint Vincent DePaul Society, will be November 1-20. We are collecting nonperishable items. They can be placed into the containers located at the church entrances. All the food collected will be distributed to Saint Joseph's Food Pantry in Yonkers. We will also be collecting frozen turkeys (10-14lbs.) and hams to be distributed to the Sharing Community. We will be collecting those on Tuesday morning, November 22, in the lower parking lot. *Give thanks in all circumstances: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:18*

- Election Day, November 8<sup>th</sup>: "On some issues the moral obligations of Catholics, and the demands of the common good, are abundantly clear. For example, no Catholic can vote in good conscience to expand legal protection for abortion, or to support the killing of unborn children. ... Abortion is a grave, unconscionable and intolerable evil, and we cannot support it in the voting booth. ... When we vote, we need to carefully consider the specifics of each race. Blind partisanship can be dangerous, and we have to look past political rhetoric and media alarmism to make prudent discernments. In each race, we need to discern whether there is a candidate who can advance human dignity, the right to life and the common good. ... As a matter of conscience, faithful Catholics have to weigh all those pertinent issues and make the choice that seems most in accord with the common good of our nation: with respect for human dignity, social well-being and peace. We need a broader vision of public life, which values and proclaims the dignity of every human life and which aims for the flourishing of individuals, families and communities. ... The most important part of being good citizens is living as faithful and active missionary disciples of Jesus Christ. ... Christ is the only real source of our nation's hope."- *Bishop James Conley of Lincoln, Nebraska* - Please pray for our nation as we enter the final days of this election.



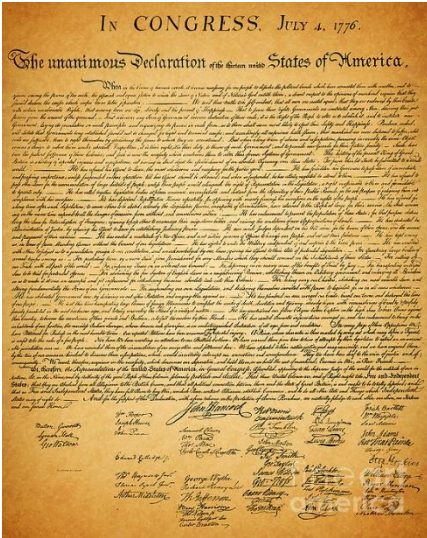
- Halloween: Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> is Halloween. All children dressed in costume are welcome to come *trick or treating* to the church office from 3:00-5:00 pm and to the priest's residence from 5:30-7:30 pm. Please be safe as you are walking through the streets.



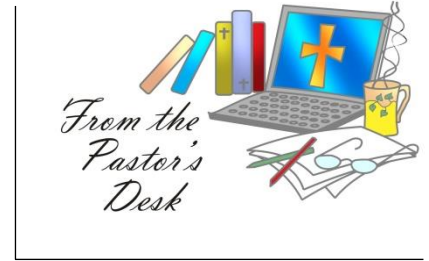
*May God bless you always;*

*Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator*

Beloved of God,



*“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any form of government becomes destructive to these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness.”* (From the Declaration of Independence... final draft.)



Last week, I asked that, as you prepare for this most important choice you and your loved ones will either be making and truly affecting your daily lives and those of your children and loved ones, to please, please, please... pray. Why pray about this presidential or any other election? That you would be connected to our “*Founding Fathers*.” You may be thinking, it’s been more than 240 years since they penned the *Declaration of Independence*, how can we be *connected* with and to them? The very reason all those souls braved horrendous conditions to leave family, occupation, friends and life behind was for faith... and its free practice. They left their homelands specifically for the very things they listed in the *Declaration of Independence*... Life... Liberty... Pursuit of Happiness. They not only listed those things which were paramount in their reasoning for leaving homeland behind, they realized that government was to assist them in attaining these goals... *That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed*. And since they had just come from oppressive governments, they also realized that government tends, by its nature, to govern and govern supremely... *That whenever any form of government becomes destructive to these ends*. They knew that government tends to take over... to think for the governed and tell the governed what is best for them. They wanted us to remember that the government was empowered by *the consent of the governed* for all the *unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness*. Being religious and spiritual people... we must go to pray about this and all elections because these *unalienable rights*, as our Founding Fathers wrote were *endowed by their Creator*... in other words *given to us by God*. These *rights endowed by their (our) Creator* are of the essence of The Creator, are brought into being by The Creator, are bestowed, blessed, invested upon us from The Creator. We must remember that we are not the author or creator of any of our rights, our gifts. They all originate in Our Creator and as all gifts should be treasured by those who receive them. Our Founding Fathers wrote... *That whenever any form of government becomes destructive to these ends*, (these *unalienable rights*) *it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new government*. That’s the point of having elections. In their wisdom, our Founding Fathers had come to recognize that even in a state or country founded on faith and for the pursuit of freedom in practicing that faith... the people and governments get lost. Elections are those opportunities for the *governments... instituted among men* to be reformed based upon the *unalienable rights... endowed by their (our) Creator... among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness*. We must remember that the government gets its *powers from the consent of the governed*. We elect those into office who are supposed to protecting our rights of *life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness*. We should also remember that just as governments get lost, we as members of the government through the electoral process may also get lost. That is why our Founding Fathers made sure to remind us that these *unalienable rights* are not simply our own. Since they originated with Our Creator, and we must, therefore, respect the intentions of Our Creator. In other words, do what The Creator would do. Just as *it is the right (obligation) of the people to alter or to abolish* our governments through the process of election or revolt, we must also come to realize that it is our right or obligation of reforming ourselves... of *altering or abolishing* our personal views on *life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness* when they go against the intention of Our Creator.

This is why we must pray. Not only for our nation... but for ourselves. That we the governed, guided by Our Creator, may implement the will of the Creator to not only acknowledge the rights of Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness but that we must *hold Life Sacred* as endowed from Our Creator, *hold Liberty Sacred* as endowed from Our Creator, *hold Sacred the Pursuit of Happiness*. Pray to the Creator. Listen to the Creator. Vote with the Creator in your heart.

God love you... Father Fernan