

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

MAY 21, 2017 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



SATURDAY, MAY 20	
5:00 PM	Sal Bellitto & Family (decd) <i>req. by Dolores Bellitto</i>
SUNDAY, MAY 21	
8:00 AM	Louise McKeon (decd) <i>req. by John McKeon</i>
10:00 AM	Mothers Day Novena
12:00 PM	Delia & Andrew Doyle (decd) <i>req. by Richard Doyle</i>
6:00 PM	Ann Guerin (decd) <i>req. by Tom Guerin</i>
MONDAY, MAY 22	
6:45 AM	Mothers Day Novena
9:00 AM	Ralph Grillo (decd) <i>req. by Jeanne Grillo</i>
TUESDAY, MAY 23	
6:45 AM	Mrs. Eileen Courtney (decd) <i>req. by Peggy & Peter Clarke and Family</i>
9:00 AM	Joseph O'Reilly (decd) <i>req. by Evelyn O'Reilly</i>
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24	
6:45 AM	Mrs. Eileen Courtney (decd) <i>req. by Patrick & Angela Clarke and Family</i>
9:00 AM	Michael Kenny (decd)
ASCENSION THURSDAY, MAY 25	
6:45 AM	Mrs. Eileen Courtney (decd) <i>req. by Bernadette & Michael Ruane and Family</i>
9:00 AM	Angela Dolan (decd) <i>req. by Thomas Dolan</i>
12:00 PM	Eileen O'Sullivan (lvg) – Special Int. <i>req. by Maura Ferguson</i>
7:30 PM	Richard Colonna (decd) <i>req. by Pam & Fred Greenspan</i>
FRIDAY, MAY 26	
6:45 AM	Magdalena Curtin (decd) <i>req. by Lito Salvilla</i>
9:00 AM	Josephine Villa (decd) <i>req. by Maura Ferguson</i>
SATURDAY, MAY 27	
9:00 AM	Angela Apicella (decd) <i>req. by Vincent DeMaio</i>
5:00 PM	Souls in Purgatory

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 Peter and John laid hands upon them.

Psalm 66 "Let all the earth cry out to God with joy."

1 Peter 3:15-18 Christ suffered for sins to lead us to God

John 14:15-21 I will give you another Advocate, the Spirit of truth.

In the Gospel today we will hear Jesus speak of another Advocate given to us by the Father, the Spirit of truth. Our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles records the coming of that same Spirit into the early Christian community in Samaria. As we hear these readings today, let us reflect on the ways that we too have not been left as orphans and enjoy the presence of the Spirit here in our community and in our lives, helping us to keep God's commandments and share the Good News.

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.

TABERNAACLE CANDLE

FOR THE NEWLY ORDAINED PRIESTS OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK

REQ. BY FR. FERNAN



BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR THE PRIEST OF ST. EUGENE CHURCH

BREAD AND WINE

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR AN INCREASE OF VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

Adoration Chapel	Natalie Philpin	793-4757
	Patricia Finan	961-0146
Altar Guild	Jennie Sepe	776-9847
Boy Scouts	Donna Ragusa	472-7567
Religious Education	Gina Mastrangelo	961-2590
C.Y.O.	Joan DeLuca	497-9798
Catholic Daughters	Martina Parisi	400-3634
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		
Of Saint Eugene Parish	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:

May 14	2017	2016
Weekly Collection.....	\$9809	\$9809
Immaculate Conception Shrine...	\$1666	

"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."

ASCENSION THURSDAY

May 25th – Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule is Thursday, 6:45AM, 9:00AM, 12 Noon and 7:30PM.

MAY IS DEVOTED TO MARY, OUR BLESSED MOTHER

The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady, and is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven". During this month Christians both in church & in the privacy of the home offer to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayers and veneration. In this month the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance.

PRAY THE ROSARY

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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, May 25th. Donations can be dropped off at the adoration Chapel entrance from 7:30-9:50 am or the lower parking lot of the school at 9:45 am. 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."

SAINT EUGENE SENIORS

Saint Eugene Seniors next meeting will be Friday, June 16th, 1:30pm at Pastina's in Hartsdale. We have a trip planned for October 5th to see Annie Get Your Gun at the Westchester Broadway Theater, the cost is \$55. For more information about the St. Eugene Seniors call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847.

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel will be closed Thursday, May 25th in observance of the Ascension of the Lord. The Adoration Chapel, located in the vestibule, is open daily Mon-Fri from 9:30am 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.

ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

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

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers the ill of our parish especially Helen Sheedy, Nicholas Gardini, Michael Tomanelli, Elise Gelpi, Liam Frawley, Angelo Bavaro, John Hopkin, Deborah Mahon, Joseph Kelly, Grisha Balaj, Julia Duffy, Eileen Brasiel, John McGarry, Serette Bernadin, Franzgermain Bernadin, Lisette Abraham, Joan Pinto, Frank Azaltovic, Frankie Delosso, Mary Ann R. Encarnacion, Fr. Terence Lee, Cora Lucy Sannella, Lucille Mallon, Ann McMahan, Anthony Battista, Andrea Dworken, Anthony McCauley, Mary Sweeney, John Sweeney, Joseph A. Collins, Francis Bowen, Geraldine Gluck, Albert Casico, Analiza Miranda, Charlie Saumell, Leonor Abanilla, Jerry Weber and those recently called home to God especially, Phillip Armstrong Sr. Al Caruso, and Bishop Thomas V. Daily, 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.

CAMP VERITAS

Camp Veritas is a one-week play-and-pray sleep away summer camp for teens going into 7th to 12th Grades. It will be held at three USA locations in 2017; July 16-22 at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, NY, July 23-29 at Summit Lake Camp in Emmitsburg, MD, and August 13-19 at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. The enrollment price for each week is \$450 per camper. Visit www.campveritas.com for details.

AREA EVENTS

The Serra Club of the Bronx & Westchester is having a luncheon meeting Wednesday, May 24th, 12 Noon at Eastwood Manor, 3371 Eastchester Rd, Bronx, NY. The cost for the luncheon is \$30. To make a reservation by May 22nd call (718) 671-8915.

Eucharistic Vigil for the Holiness of Priests & Vocations: At Our Lady of Shkodra. Located at The Holy Mountain, 361 West Hartsdale Ave, Hartsdale, NY on Friday & Saturday May 26th/27th from 7PM-7AM. For more information call (914) 761-3523.

"It is deep thought to ponder, that the salvation of many depends on the actions of few" Pope Pius XII

Dear Parishioners:

Ascension Thursday May 25th: The Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord and



Savior Jesus Christ, also known as Ascension Thursday, Holy Thursday, or Ascension Day, commemorates the bodily Ascension of Jesus into heaven. It is one of the ecumenical feasts (i.e.,

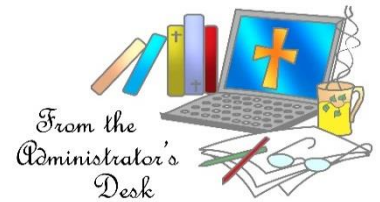
universally celebrated) of Christian churches, ranking with the feasts of the Passion, of Easter, and Pentecost. Ascension Day is traditionally celebrated on a Thursday, the fortieth day of Easter (following the count given in **Acts 1:3**), although some Christian denominations have moved the observance to the following Sunday. The Latin terms used for the feast, *ascensio* and, occasionally, *ascensa*, signify that Christ was raised up by his own powers, and it is from these terms that the holy day gets its name. In the Book of Common Prayer of the Anglican Communion, "Holy Thursday" is listed as another name for Ascension Day. In Western Christianity, the earliest possible date is April 30; the latest possible date is June 3. In Roman Catholicism, the Ascension of the Lord is a Holy Day of Obligation and in the Anglican Communion, Holy Thursday is a Principal Feast. The three days before Ascension Thursday are sometimes referred to as the Rogation days, and the previous Sunday the Sixth Sunday of Easter (or the Fifth Sunday after Easter) as Rogation Sunday - *from the USCCB. Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens, that He might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that according to his promise He abideth with his Church*

on earth, even unto the end of the world; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Legion of Mary: Recitation of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9AM weekday Masses. We will pray the Rosary weekly on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm from May through October. Please join us near the outdoor statue of Our Lady as we honor the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima.

Bereavement Support Group: Saint Augustine Church will be conducting a bereavement group every Monday from April 24th - June 19th from 1:30-3:30. The meetings will take place in the rectory, 18 Cherry Street, Larchmont NY. The sessions will be facilitated by Sr. Muriel Cooney, O.P. and Chaplain Rosemary Parandelis. For more information please contact Sr. Muriel at 914 934-1220 ext. 23 or email srmuriel@staugineny.org.

Congratulations: Next Saturday morning May 27th at Saint Patrick's Cathedral, 11 men will be ordained into the Sacred Priesthood. We congratulate them and pray for them and their families as they begin their life in the priesthood of Jesus Christ. *Heavenly Father, You have called our sons to be priests and they have generously responded to that call. We pray that they will be everfaithful in this new state and happy with the way of life lying ahead. Help us to be ever ready to render our assistance whenever and however it may be needed. Let us always remember that it is an honor to give our sons' to You who gave him to us in the first place. Amen.*

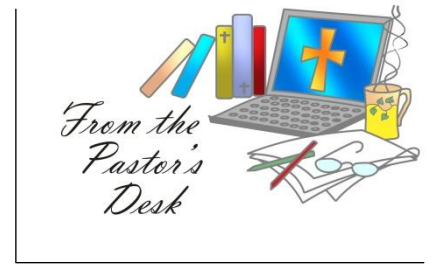


May God bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

Beloved of God,

Eucharist Heart of Jesus Litany – Part 6C

“Heart of Jesus in the Eucharist, sweet companion of our exile, I adore You.”



So, what do the writings of Flavius Josephus, Pliny the Younger and Tacitus prove? Something very important. The *Human Being*, the *Man*, Jesus truly existed in time. This is verifiable by sources *inside* and *outside* the Sacred Scriptures, the Holy Bible. You might be thinking, “Yeah, so what?” Just as many people for generations believed the earth was flat, and some still do to this day (see <http://www.theflatearthsociety.org/home/>), some will still argue that Jesus of Nazareth (Matthew 21:11; Mark 1:24, 10:47, 16:6; Luke 4:34, 18:37; John 1:45; Acts 10:38) or Jesus the Carpenter (Matthew 13:55; Mark 6:3), did not exist in human/male form. This heresy was known as Docetism...

“A heretical sect dating back to Apostolic times. Their name is derived from *dokesis*, "appearance" or "semblance", because they taught that Christ only "appeared" or "seemed to be a man, to have been born, to have lived and suffered. Some denied the reality of Christ's human nature altogether, some only the reality of His human body or of His birth or death. The word *Docetae* which is best rendered by "Illusionists", first occurs in a letter of Serapion, Bishop of Antioch (190-203) to the Church at Rhossos, where troubles had arisen about the public reading of the apocryphal Gospel of Peter.” (www.newadvent.org)

With confidence the Catholic Church states...**1373** “Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church [CCC]) Jesus of Nazareth did exist. As Flavius Josephus said...

“Jesus... performed surprising deeds and was a teacher... (who) won over many Jews and many of the Greeks... Pilate had condemned him to a cross... (after His death) appeared to them spending a third day restored to life.” www.josephus.org/testimonium.htm

The Church, with equal confidence and faith, goes on to say... **1373** “Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us,” is present in many ways to His Church:¹⁹⁷ in His word, in His Church’s prayer, “where two or three are gathered in My name,”¹⁹⁸ in the poor, the sick, and the imprisoned,¹⁹⁹ in the sacraments of which He is the author, in the sacrifice of the Mass, and in the person of the minister. But “He is present . . . most especially in the Eucharistic species.”²⁰⁰

This Jesus, who was not only present during the time of Pontius Pilate, “is present in many ways to His Church.” The Jesus who once was... is still. The Book of Revelation puts it this way... “*I am the Alpha and the Omega,*” says the Lord God, “*the one who is and who was and who is to come, the almighty...*” (Rev. 1:8) and “*The One who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new.” Then he said, “Write these words down, for they are trustworthy and true.” He said to me, “They are accomplished. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end...*” (Rev. 21:5-6) and “*Behold I am coming soon. I bring with me the recompense I will give to each according to his deeds. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.*” (Rev. 22:12-13)

This Jesus, who was perfectly and completely human, is also perfectly and completely Divine. He is the “Alpha and the Omega.” Jesus who is “the beginning and the end,” is also present in “the poor, the sick, and the imprisoned,” as well as the Sacraments of which “He is the author.” Jesus is present in the Eucharist.

God love you... Father Fernan