

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT EUGENE

“WHERE PETER IS,
THERE IS THE CHURCH”

TUCKAHOE ROAD AND CENTRAL PARK AVENUE
YONKERS, NEW YORK



Pope Saint Eugene I

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Rectory to arrange for the Sacrament and parental instruction. Baptisms are possible on Saturday or Sunday.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00-4:45pm and call the rectory anytime.

Sacraments for the Sick

Please contact the Rectory for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Communion for the homebound.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the Rectory at least 6 months in advance. A marriage preparation program is required.

Adoration Chapel Mon. to Fri.

Open from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Choir Rehearsals

Sunday at 11 AM

Parish Membership

Our parish invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every new parishioner is requested to register at the Parish Office. If you move to another parish, or change your address, please notify the Parish Office.

Served by

Rev. Matthew Fernan, *Pastor*
Rev. Michael Morris,
Parochial & Weekend Assistant
Rev. Anthony Gyamerah,
Parochial Assistant

Ms. Gina Mastrangelo
Parish Administrator

Deacon John Duffy

Weekend Associates
Mill Hill Fathers

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday...9:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Parish & Religious Education Offices

31 Massitola Rd., Yonkers, NY 10710
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Holy Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil for Sunday

5:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM

12:00 PM Choir Mass, 6 PM

Weekdays

Mon-Fri... 6:45 AM & 9:00 AM

Saturday... 9:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation

6:45, 9:00 AM, & 12:00 noon, 7:30 PM

First Friday Devotion

Evening Mass at 7:30 PM the first Friday of each month, followed by Holy Hour and Confessions

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JANUARY 31, 2016

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

JANUARY 31, 2016 - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, JANUARY 30	
5:00 PM	Antonino & Coffaro Family (decd) <i>req. by Enza Coffaro</i>
SUNDAY, JANUARY 31	
8:00 AM	Carmela Gibson (decd) <i>req. by Sal & Anna Arnone</i>
10:00 AM	Eira Fatima Maghuyop (decd)
12:00 PM	Audrey Morrow (decd) <i>req. by the Smith Family</i>
6:00 PM	Jose E. Vidal (decd) <i>req. by Vidal & Manzano Families</i>
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1	
6:45 AM	Claire McGahan (living) <i>req. by Betty Madden</i>
9:00 AM	Margaret Fell (living) <i>req. by Betty Madden</i>
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2	
6:45 AM	John Brady (decd) <i>req. by Betty Madden</i>
9:00 AM	Barbara Keller (decd) <i>req. by Betty Madden</i>
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3	
6:45 AM	Eugene Fernan (living) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
9:00 AM	Carmel Finnegan (decd) <i>req. by her Family</i>
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4	
6:45 AM	Beatriz Salvilla (decd) <i>req. by Lito Salvilla</i>
9:00 AM	Patrick Mulhern (decd) <i>req. by Eileen O'Sullivan</i>
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5	
6:45 AM	Lynn McInerney (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
9:00 AM	Eufemia Aurellano (decd) <i>req. by Rosalinda Dombish</i>
7:30 PM	Angeles Gemora & Magdalene Curtin (decd) <i>req. by Lito Salvilla</i>
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6	
9:00 AM	Joseph Hipius (decd) <i>req. by Camille & Joe Rivard</i>
5:00 PM	John Iazetti (decd) <i>req. by Gina & Ernie Diaz</i>

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 1:4-5. 17-19 The word of the Lord comes to Jeremiah.
Psalm 71 "I will sing of your salvation."
1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13 The greatest of these is love.
Luke 4:21-30 The people rise up to drive Jesus out of their town.

At the beginning of the book of Jeremiah, we hear how God called him to be a prophet; but even more important, we hear how God promises to fortify and support him in his ministry. In the Gospel too, Jesus speaks with confidence, even brashness in his hometown, yet by the grace of God is able to escape their wrath. As we listen to these words of God today, let us allow them to give us the courage we need to witness to the gospel in our own lives.

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 LUCY ENOCH
REQ. BY: RICHARD ENOCH

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE
IN MEMORY OF JOHN CONDON
REQ. BY: FR. FERNAN AND GINA MASTRANGELO

BREAD AND WINE

SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

Adoration Chapel	Natalie Philpin	793-4757
	Patricia Finan	961-0146
Altar Guild	Jennie Sepe	776-9847
Bereavement Group	Carolyn Walsh	961-8689
Boy Scouts	Donna Ragusa	472-7567
Religious Education	Parish Office	961-2590
C.Y.O.	Joan DeLuca	497-9798
Catholic Daughters	Rita DiPippo	793-3065
	Catherine Blanco	793-1539
Cheerleaders	Lori Fox	325-0333
Couples for Christ	Cesar Tipwan	343-0914
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 Activities Committee	Father Fernan	961-2590
Parish Council	Father Fernan	961-2590
Respect Life Society	Jackie Barton	793-9322
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:

January 24 (Blizzard)

Weekly Collection.....\$3805
Monthly Collection.....\$ 732

"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."

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

With the winter months upon us please let us remember all those who are cold and in need of a warm meal or food on the table. There are many who are struggling within our own community. We are in need of perishable food items. (Cereal, soup, pasta, canned vegetables, etc.) Please place these items in the baskets at the entrances of the church. We are always in need of volunteers to cook chicken (legs and thighs). 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."
1 Timothy 6:7-8

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The Catholic Daughters of St. Therese Little Flower will meet on Monday, February 1st at 7:15 in the Blessed Mother meeting room in the parish office. All women are welcome to come to this meeting. Bring a friend. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please contact Rita DiPippo at (914) 793-3065 or Catherine Blanco at (914) 793-1539

ST EUGENE SENIORS

Join us September 15, 2016 at Westchester Broadway Theater for Saturday Night Fever. The cost (\$55.00pp) includes lunch and the show. We have great seats. We meet the first Wednesday of the month in the Kindergarten room in the Parish office. Our next meeting is February 3rd. New members are welcome. Call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847 for more information or if there is inclement weather.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

St. Eugene's Bereavement Group on every third Thursday of the month at 1:00PM in the Parish Office. Our next meeting is February 18th. Through caring support, we hope to lessen the pain and confusion brought on by the death of a loved one.

ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

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

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.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary would like you to join us. We meet every Tuesday morning immediately after 9AM Mass or Tuesday evening at 7:00PM. For more information please contact Josephine Bitteti at (914) 337-1372.

SAINT EUGENE SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE & TOURING TUESDAY

The Catholic School Region of Central Westchester invites you to experience Saint Eugene School by visiting on a Touring Tuesday from 9:00-11:00am or by appointment (February 2 & 23, March 8, April 12). To RSVP or for more information please call (646) 794-2885 or visit www.buildboldfutures.org.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers the ill of our parish especially Helen Sheedy, Nicholas Gardini, Gladys Armitage, Andrew Moraitis, Eva Sellazzo, Richard Wikine, Michael Tomanelli, Tom Tucker, Elise Gelpi, Eugene Fernan, Liam Frawley, Raymond Henshaw and those recently called home to God especially Carmelo Iannuzzo and Anthony Mangone.....Eternal rest grant unto them O, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen

It has been some time since the names on the list where updated. We have not stopped praying for the ill of the parish, but the rectory staff does not know if all the people on the list still need to be included. We ask you to please call the rectory if you wish to have yourself or a loved included on the list again.

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 and Logan Wilson. 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

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday is the first Friday of the month. First Friday Mass Devotion is at 7:30PM in the Church.

BLESSING OF THE THROATS

Wednesday, February 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise. Throats will be blessed at all the masses.

FINAL FUNDRAISER WINNERS - CONGRATULATIONS

Stephen Duffy & Mr. & Mrs. John Consilvio - \$1000, Dolores Bellitto and Amelia Sivestro - \$200, George Alessi and Rita DePippo - \$100, Alice Hoey, Patricia Mahoney, Jill Macdonald and Walter Hlewicki - \$50.

EVENTS IN OUR AREA

Saint Joseph's Medical Center: The Pastoral Care Dept. at St. Joseph's Nursing Home is looking for volunteers to help transport their Nursing Home Residents to and from Sunday Mass in the chapel within the facility. If you are able to spend an hour and a half 9:15 to 10:45AM one or more Sundays each month to help, please contact Sr. Ellen O'Connor at (914) 378-7648.

Dear Parishioners;

Catholic School Week: National Catholic School week begins today, January 31st and continues through February 6th. We welcome the children of our school at 10:00 Mass this morning. The theme of this year's Catholic School Week is Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service. Please pray for our children and their school.



Cardinal's Appeal: Last weekend marked the beginning of the 2016 Annual Cardinal's Appeal in the archdiocese. Due to last weekend's inclement weather we will begin this weekend. The goal for our parish is \$95,500.00. You will or have received a letter from Cardinal Dolan asking for your support of the vital ministries, programs and services provided through the appeal each year. When you receive your letter please consider a gift to the parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and as always thanks you!

Cardinal's Appeal Prayer

God our Father, source of all blessings, we call upon You with faith, for You have shown Your love for us in so many ways. Now we ask You to inspire Your people to make a very generous donation to our Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal. Please extend your blessings to all who give and to all who depend on that generosity. We know that our response starts with love and prayer. We meet You in prayer, and prayer inspires us to love others as You do. Let us make the connection between our prayers and actions, between what You do, and how we must respond in gratitude. Inspire us and others to humble prayer and generous giving. Counting upon the help of Mary and Joseph, we ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Presentation of Our Lord: Tuesday, February 2, we celebrate Feast of the Purification of the Virgin, or Candlemas Day. Counting forward from December 25 as Day One, we find that Day Forty is February 2. A Jewish woman is in semi-seclusion for 40 days after giving birth to a son, and accordingly it is on February 2 that we celebrate the coming of Mary and Joseph with the infant Jesus to the Temple at Jerusalem to offer sacrifice, both on behalf of Mary and on behalf of Jesus as a first-born male. ***Almighty and ever living God, we humbly pray that, as your Only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.***

Feast of St. Blaise, February 3: St. Blaise was a physician and the Bishop of Sebaste, Armenia. He once saved a child who was choking on a fish bone, which led to the blessing of the throats.

Prayer to St. Blaise

O, glorious St. Blaise, who by your martyrdom left to the Church a precious witness to the faith, obtain for us the grace to preserve within ourselves this divine gift, and to defend without concern for human respect both by word and example, the truth of the same faith, which is so wickedly attacked and slandered in these our times. You miraculously restored a little child who was at the point of death because of an affliction of the throat. Grant us your mighty protection in similar misfortunes. And, above all obtain for us the grace of Christian mortification, together with faithful observance of the precepts of the Church, which keep us from offending almighty God. Amen.

Inclement Weather: Just a reminder, if there is any form of winter precipitation that should occur on Wednesday afternoons or evenings, which may interfere with Religious Education, or safety on the roads, please watch news 12 for cancellations.

Collection for Birthright: We are collecting baby items to send to Birthright of Peekskill NY. Items needed are **new** blankets, onesies, bibs, t-shirts and diapers. All these items should be for newborn babies only. Please place them in the baby bassinet located in the church. ***Please let us help those who are struggling but keep their child.***

Feeding Our Neighbors: This initiative is an Archdiocesan Wide Drive to replenish Food Pantries in our local areas. The Food Drive began last weekend and we will continue through February 6th due to last week's snowstorm. Please deposit food items in the box marked Feeding Our Neighbors. We will be distributing all the food that we collect to our own local people in need. Please be generous as we remember those who are in need of a warm meal. For more information on this please go to www.catholiccharities.org/feedingourneighbors.

Appalachia Habitat for Humanity: This summer parishioner and graduate of Saint Eugene School, *Michael Smith*, a sophomore at Fordham Prep will travel to Scott County, Tennessee to participate in Appalachia Habitat for Humanity. The students will be assisting in the construction of three new homes. Fordham Prep is looking for donations to assist in this endeavor. If you are interested in making a donation, you can make a donation online at <https://fordhamprep.org/servicestrips> and please mark it on behalf of *Michael Smith*, or send the check to the rectory made payable to Fordham Prep, and send it to my attention, and I will forward them to Fordham. Thank you, and may God bless all those who are participating in this wonderful service project

May God Bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

Beloved of God,

The Power of Prayer

"The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to (this) mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." (Luke 17:6)



"Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive." (Matthew 21:22)

We are daily faced with numerous challenges which most of the time we are able to seemingly handle on our own. There are those other moments when we necessarily turn to others for help, support, and consolation. As our family, friends and others gather around us we genuinely feel them propping us up with love, compassion, and empathy. *"Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed; and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands grew weary; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; so his hands were steady until the sun set. And Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the sword."* (Exodus 17:11-13) In both of these moments, supposedly alone & in the fraternity of loved ones, there may be One that we often forget about Who is ever-present... *"Then Jesus approached and said to them... "And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."* (Matthew 28:18a/28:20b) Especially in these situations of distress, Our Blessed Lord is with us... *"I have prayed that your own faith may not fail; and once you have turned back, you must strengthen your brothers."* (Luke 22:32) How remarkable to comprehend, how consoling to the struggling soul, *Jesus is praying for us.* We often think ourselves alone and wonder where God is. Our Brother, the Christ, has told us that He is praying for us. Jesus, can only be doing this if He first knows what is going on in our lives... *"Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words..."* (Romans 8:26) while at the same time loves us so deeply to pray that our *"own faith may not fail..."* our faith individually, as the one going through the trial, and as a whole, that we must be there to *"strengthen"* our brothers and sisters. This presence of the Almighty fills us with the grace to be able to pray for ourselves and others. The grace of God being with us gives us the ability to know that *"Whatever you (we) ask for in prayer with faith, you (we) will receive."* We must, though, ask for the intention with true faith. Faith in God as God. Faith in God as being able to achieve all things for us. Faith in God that what is best for us – the salvation of our souls – is what God will do. Faith that if that which we want goes against the will of the Almighty, we will trust that God loves us, knows what is best for us, and that God will always be there for us. Even though we may have a *"little faith"* (Matthew 17:20), Jesus tells us *"do not be afraid."* (Mark 5:36) Fear undermines our belief, fear clouds our vision of the Almighty, fear freezes us, fear disconnects us from God. *"Do not be afraid; just have faith."*



In the words of Our Savior, Jesus the Christ: *"Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive."* (Matthew 21:22) *"Therefore I tell you, all that you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it and it shall be yours."* (Mark 11:24)

God love you... Father Fernan