

# THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

MAY 15, 2016 – PENTECOST SUNDAY



<b>SATURDAY, MAY 14</b>	
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Gemma Macri (decd) <i>req. by Fortunato &amp; Maria Macri</i>
<b>SUNDAY, MAY 15</b>	
<b>8:00 AM</b>	Kenneth P. Geiger Sr. (decd) <i>req. by The Family</i>
<b>10:00 AM</b>	Raymond Henshaw Jr. (decd) <i>req. by St. Eugene's Religious Ed.</i>
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Guido Monetta (decd) <i>req. by Marge &amp; Nick Russo</i>
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>MONDAY, MAY 16</b>	
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Anna Lisa Miranda (living) <i>req. by Donna, Vjollca &amp; Rita</i>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>TUESDAY, MAY 17</b>	
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Bella O'Donnell (decd) <i>req. by Maura Ferguson</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 18</b>	
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Anthony Bressi (decd) <i>req. by Eileen &amp; Kathy Wachowski</i>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>THURSDAY, MAY 19</b>	
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Sally Ann Russin (decd) <i>req. by Donna</i>
<b>FRIDAY, MAY 20</b>	
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Louise McKeon (decd) <i>req. by John McKeon</i>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Sal Bellitto & Family (decd) <i>req. by Dolores Bellitto</i>
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 21</b>	
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Ann Guerin (decd) <i>req. by Tom Guerin</i>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Patricia Davis (living) <i>req. by Yolanda Davis</i>



## PENTECOST SUNDAY

**Acts 2:1-11** As on Sinai, The Lord descends in fire and wind.

**Psalm 104** "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth."

**1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13** The Spirit calls the baptized to the ministry for the common good.

Or **Romans 8:8-17** Those who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

**John 20:19-23** On the first day of the week the risen Christ imparts the Holy Spirit

Or **John 14:15-16, 23b-26** The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.

The Gospel proclaimed today was heard earlier this season, on the Second Sunday of Easter. How much has happened since then! We have come full circle, though, and recall that the Church has received the gift of the Holy Spirit. Listening to these sacred scriptures today, let us reflect on how each of us has received that gift, and how we are now called to share it with the world around 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 MADELINE KILGANNON**

*REQ. BY MAUREEN KILGANNON*

### BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

**PHIL MCKEON – SPECIAL INTENTION**

*REQ. BY BETTY MADDEN*

### BREAD AND WINE

**THOMAS O'SULLIVAN – SPECIAL INTENTION**

*REQ. BY MOM*

### 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	Martina Parisi	400-3634
	Dolores Tenzer	262-8146
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:

### May 8

Weekly Collection.....\$10,031  
Mother's Day.....\$ 2,407  
Feast of the Ascension .....\$ 1,866

"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 spring 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. 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."*

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Please contact Martina Parisi at (914) 400-3634 or Dolores Tenzer at (914) 262-8146 to learn more about the Catholic Daughters. All women of the parish are welcome.

### BEREAVEMENT GROUP

St. Eugene's Bereavement Group meets the 3rd Thursday each month. Our next meeting is May 19<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Through caring support, we hope to lessen the pain and confusion brought on by the death of a loved one.

### 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. 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.

## 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.

### 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, Fr Smyth, Joseph Kelly, Betty Cirillo, Anna Lisa Miranda, Fr. Brian Brennan, Joseph O'Reilly, Carmine Greco, Carol Russo and those recently called home to God.....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 and Matthew Fishwick. 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.

### FAMILY LIFE RESPECT LIFE OFFICE

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2016 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Saturday, June 25th at 1:30PM or Sunday, June 26th at 2:00PM. Pre-registration is required. Please contact, our Parish Administrator, *Gina Mastrangelo* at (914) 961-2590 to register. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 24th, 2016.** This event is sponsored by the Family Life Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

### THE SERRA CLUB OF THE BRONX & WESTCHESTER

The Serra Club is an international organization whose mission is to foster & promote vocations and vowed religious life and affirms the members' common Catholic faith. Join us for a luncheon meeting on Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon at Eastwood Manor, 3371 Eastchester Rd (corner of Eastchester Rd & Boston Rd), Bronx, NY. The cost for the luncheon is \$25. To make reservations and more information call (718) 671-8915 ext 8915 by May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### EVENTS IN THE AREA

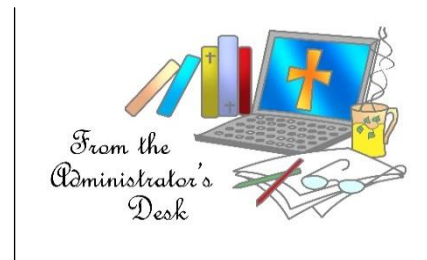
**Catholic Widows & Widowers of Yonkers:** Our next meeting is Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. The meeting will be at St. Ann's Church, Fr. Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, NY. For more information please call (914) 423-5331. New members welcome.

**The Higher Achievement Program (HAP):** This program is for girls entering 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade to help them prepare for the TACHS (The Archdiocesan Catholic High School) entry exam. It is a 3 week (July 5<sup>th</sup>-July 22<sup>nd</sup>) Higher Achievement Program focusing on English, Math & Reading skills. The program will be held at St. Catharine Academy, 2250 Williamsbridge Rd, Bronx, NY and the program fee is \$500. For more information contact the Program Director, Mrs. Tracy Keelin at (718) 882-2882 ext. 122 or [keelin@scahs.org](mailto:keelin@scahs.org).

**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:

- Pentecost Sunday. Today we celebrate the Pentecost. It is often called "the birthday of the Church." On this day, with the descent of the Holy Spirit, Christ's mission is completed, and the New Covenant is inaugurated. It's interesting to note that St. Peter, the first Pope, was already the leader and spokesman for the Apostles on Pentecost Sunday (see Acts 2:14ff). From the USCCB.



- The Cardinal's Appeal: The Cardinal Appeal is progressing. The goal for our parish is \$95,500.00. To date our parish has received \$75,896.00 in pledges and gifts towards the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal from 243 families. Please consider a gift to the appeal on behalf of your parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and as always, thank you!
- Police Holy Name Society: Today at the 10:00 AM Mass we welcome members of our Yonkers Police Holy Name Society. Please join us as we thank them for their service to us and the many residents of the City of Yonkers. May God bless them always.

Prayer to Saint Michael for Police Officers

*Saint Michael, heaven's glorious commissioner of police, who once so neatly and successfully cleared God's premises of all its undesirables, look with kindly and professional eyes on your earthly force. Give us cool heads, stout hearts, and uncanny flair for investigation and wise judgment. Make us the terror of burglars, the friend of children and law-abiding citizens, kind to strangers, polite to bores, strict with law-breakers and impervious to temptations. You know, Saint Michael, from your own experiences with the devil, that the police officer's lot on earth is not always a happy one; but your sense of duty that so pleased God, Your hard knocks that so surprised the devil, and your angelic self-control give us inspiration. And when we lay down our night sticks, enroll us in your heavenly force, where we will be as proud to guard the throne of God as we have been to guard the city of all the people. Amen.*



- Installation Mass: Next Sunday, May 22 at the 12:00 Mass our *Pastor, Fr. Matthew Fernan*, will be officially installed as the **Pastor of Saint Eugene Church** by the Dean of the South Westchester Deanery, *Fr. Robert Grippo*, Pastor of Annunciation/Our Lady of Fatima Parish. Please join us for this special mass.
- Religious Education: We would like to thank all of our catechists who dedicated their time and knowledge of the faith to our children each week for religious education class; it is through their dedication that our children along with their parents and our priests become closer to our Blessed Mother and Her Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. They are in grade order: *Rita Vitale, Doreen Falzon, Gelsomina Ahearn, Rosemary Petrovich, Walpurga Fox, Susan Valentino, Dolores Russo, Josephine Bitetti, Marisol Natiello, Margie Nicotina, Rita Villani, Marguerite Napoli, Matilde Reymondez, Aleta Tomanelli, Nora Russo and John Fuoco*, as well as our afternoon hall and door monitor, *Benilde Lote*. God Bless you all!
- Wedding Jubilees: Couples celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2016 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm or Sunday June 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. **Pre-registration is mandatory. If you are interested in participating in either of the Masses please contact me at 961-2590.** The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. The event is sponsored by the Family Life, Respect Life office of the Archdiocese of New York.
- Father's Day Cards: Father's Day cards and offering envelopes are available in the back of the church for all to give their fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, uncles, (living or deceased) a special remembrance on Father's Day. Please return your intentions in the collection or to the church office by June 17th in order to be included on the altar at all of the Masses on Father's Day.

May God bless you always,

Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

Beloved of God,

## PENTECOST



*“When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.” (Acts 2:1-4)*



The Eleven, that is the remaining Apostles after Judas in his despair took his own life, were hiding in the Upper Room, with the Holy Mother of God, Our Blessed Lady, Mary. They were hiding there *“for fear of the Jews.”* (John 20:19) Recall that after the death of Our Blessed Lord, a persecution began... *“On that day, there broke out a severe persecution of the church in Jerusalem, and all were scattered throughout the countryside of Judea and Samaria, except the Apostles...”* (Acts 8:1) for they had remained behind waiting. They were waiting because they recalled the words Jesus had spoken at the Last Supper... *“I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit that the Father will send in My name—He*

*will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.”* (John 14:25-27) And so the Apostles remained behind... in the place that Jesus had died... in the place that Jesus had risen from the dead. They waited. They waited for the coming of the Spirit... Who would teach them everything and remind them of all the Jesus had told them.

On April 17, 2016, *“When the time for (Confirmation) was fulfilled, they (the Students of Saint Eugene Parish) were all in one place (church) together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house (Church) in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them (our young woman and men). And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.”* Whether we could see the miracle of the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon all the confirmandi, the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity was truly present in our Church and our Community. Through the grace of the Sacrament conferred by Bishop Gerald Walsh, our young people were filled with the Holy Spirit and all those who had gathered for this truly blessed moment were filled with Hope. Recall the words spoken by Jesus at the Last Supper... *“I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit that the Father will send in My name—He will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.”* Because of the promise of Jesus, *“I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you...”* (John 14:18), the gift of the Holy Spirit is proof that Jesus did not leave us alone. And so we have hope. Hope in Our Savior. Hope in the Resurrection. Hope in the Apostles. Hope in Our Holy Mother. Hope in the Church Jesus intended to found upon His Apostles. Hope that if we do as Jesus has commanded that we too will have a place prepared for us and that when the time is right in God’s plan, Jesus *“will come back again and take you (us) to my(him)self, so that where I am you also may be.”* (John 14:3)

God love you... Father Fernan