

# THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

MAY 29, 2016 – MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST – CORPUS CHRISTI



SATURDAY, MAY 28	
5:00 PM	Peter George (decd) <i>req. by Marcy George</i>
SUNDAY, MAY 29	
8:00 AM	Emanuel Xerri (decd) <i>req. by Meza &amp; Amado Family</i>
10:00 AM	Yolinda Merlino Montemurro (decd) <i>req. by Marilyn &amp; Vinny Montemurro</i>
12:00 PM	Madeline Kilgannon (decd) <i>req. by Maureen Kilgannon</i>
6:00 PM	Alfred & Rose Marinacci (decd) <i>req. by Joseph &amp; Marie Perrone</i>
MONDAY, MAY 30	
6:45 AM	John Seremetis (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo</i>
9:00 AM	Rourke Family (decd) <i>req. by Margaret Fleming</i>
TUESDAY, MAY 31	
6:45 AM	Gerardo & Sarah Rodriguez Special Intention <i>req. by Monique Lerma</i>
9:00 AM	Barbara Colantuono-(decd) 6th Ann. <i>req. by her Family</i>
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1	
6:45 AM	Fr. Fernan – Special Intention <i>req. by Court of St. Therese Catholic Daughters</i>
9:00 AM	Janis Reda DiRienzo (decd) <i>req. by Adrian Reda</i>
THURSDAY, JUNE 2	
6:45 AM	Consuelo Gemora and Lourdes Gemora (decd) <i>req. by Lito Salvilla</i>
9:00 AM	Richard Reventas (decd) <i>req. by Nijole Zukauskas</i>
FRIDAY, JUNE 3	
6:45 AM	Frank & Lena Sgobbo (decd) <i>req. by Francine Flood</i>
9:00 AM	Special Intentions for the Imael Getubig Sr. Family <i>req. by Leticia Getubig</i>
7:30 PM	Martino Bernard (decd) <i>req. by Marie Julie Bernard</i>
SATURDAY, JUNE 4	
9:00 AM	Benjamin Caliboso & Visitacion Resposo (decd)
5:00 PM	Raymond Henshaw Jr. (decd) <i>req. by Jerry Celestino</i>

## MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

**Genesis 14:18-20** Over bread and wine the mysterious Melchizedek blessed the Lord.

**Psalm 110** "You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek."

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26** Every time we eat the Lord's body and drink his blood, we proclaim his life-giving death.

**Luke 9:11b-17** The feeding of the multitudes.

Today's readings recount three different sacred meals: the sacrifice offered by Melchizedek, Saint Paul's description of the Last Supper, and Saint Luke's account of the multiplication of the loaves and fish. As we hear these stories come alive in our presence today, let us recall God's many gifts to us, most especially the gift of the Eucharist that we celebrate at this altar every Sunday. May we come to a greater appreciation and love for the Body and Blood of Christ.

## 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

**STEPHANIE SISLER – SPECIAL INTENTION**

REQ. BY NATALIE SISLER

### BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

**LISETTE ABRAHAM – SPECIAL INTENTION**



## 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	Martina Parisi	400-3634
	Dolores Tenzer	262-8146
	Lori Fox	325-0333
Cheerleaders		
Couples for Christ		
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 22

Weekly Collection.....\$9,904  
Maintenance & Repair Collection.....\$1,402

"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."

### MEMORIAL DAY

On this long weekend, let us not forget the sacrifices made by our servicemen and women to safeguard our nation while we also pray for a safe return of all our troops.



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

With summer almost here, 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 June 17<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. **The Adoration Chapel will be closed Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day.** 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.

### ST EUGENE SENIORS

The St Eugene Seniors has a trip to Resorts Atlantic City scheduled for Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$61 and includes bus (tax & gratuity), \$25 for slots and Tom Jones Tribute Show. 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, Fr Smyth, Joseph Kelly, Betty Cirillo, Anna Lisa Miranda, Fr. Brian Brennan, Carmine Greco, Carol Russo, Grisha Balaj, Sue Winn, Patricia Christian and those recently called home to God especially Ann Kaptanis, Joseph O'Reilly and Henry S. Treulieb.....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.

### EVENTS IN THE AREA

**Free Basketball Clinic for Boys & Girls:** 6<sup>th</sup> Boro Hoops is offering a free basketball clinic for St. Eugene students in grades K-6<sup>th</sup>. Boro Hoops is a basketball program that was started by Nihad Musovic & DC Gaitley, both Fordham University graduates. They are now dedicated to teaching young players the correct way to play the game through drills and fun competition. The clinic will be held this **Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>** in St. Eugene's school gym from 5:30-7:00PM. There is no cost for this clinic. Be sure to sign and take advantage of this opportunity. Contact [Nihad@6thborohoops.com](mailto:Nihad@6thborohoops.com) to reserve your spot.

**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.

**St. Eugene Parish Office will be closed  
Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> in observance of  
Memorial Day**

Dear Parishioners:

**Corpus Christi:** Today is the Feast of the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.**



Immediately following the 10:00 Mass, there will be a procession. *O Lord Jesus Christ, You who have given us Your precious Body and Blood to be our meat and drink, grant that through frequent reception of You in the Holy Eucharist, I may be strengthened in mind and body to do Your holy will. Amen. Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, have mercy on us.*



**Memorial Day:** Please remember in your prayers all those members of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. As we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please hold our service men and women in your strong arms. Cover them with your sheltering grace and presence as they stand in the gap for our protection. We also remember the families of our troops, and ask for your unique blessings to fill their homes and your peace, provision and strength to fill their lives. May the members of our armed forces be filled with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support. Amen.



**The Cardinal's Appeal:** The Cardinal Appeal is progressing. The goal for our parish is \$95,500.00. To date our parish has received \$84,981.00 in pledges and gifts towards the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal from 274 families. Please consider a gift to the appeal on behalf of your parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and as always, thank you!

**Saint Eugene Church:** Last October I explained to you, our parishioners, the need of placing blue tarps on all of our air conditioners, because of rotting of the pans, and the leaking of rainwater into our church. On April 13, engineers from **Titan Mechanical** did a full evaluation of our 10 air conditioners and life expectancy. At that time, we were informed that out of the ten units, three were completely rusted and beyond repair. The remaining seven units are rusted and starting to pitch toward the unit wall due to cabinet deterioration. The unit's performance; Seasonal Energy Efficiency Rating is poor and the blower motor readings are higher than specified, indicating motor wear and tear. Three of the units have pulley vibration which indicates that the blower bearings are damaged. The refrigerant charge (R-22), in all seven units was low and needs to be charged before using. At that time we were given two options: **Option #1** - Remove and replace all of the 10 units, disconnect existing electrical, evacuate remaining refrigerant as per code 608 and the EPA Clean Air Act, procure licensed crane and operator for removal, and rigging of new equipment, supply and install 10 new units, reconnect existing power and control wiring, and add a thermostat for the units so that it does not run all day, and turns off when it reaches the said temperature. The cost of this is \$84,060.00; this does not include permits, certified engineering drawings, design and seismic engineering fees. **Option #2** - Remove all doors and access point on remaining seven units, seal/coat all base rail internal joints, cracks and seams with spray epoxy, clean and pressure wash all coils, replace all the filters, clean all drain pans and traps, seal all drains with epoxy, clean and pressure wash compressor compartment, adjust motor pulleys and grease, check for refrigeration leaks at all fittings and coils, charge the remaining seven units with R-22 refrigerant. The cost of this is \$7500.00. On May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> we proceeded with Option#2. The engineers from Titan Mechanical also installed double PVC traps and extensions. The thermostat is on order and will be installed within the next few weeks. By us proceeding with Option #2 we have insured that we have air conditioning for the summer months, while we discuss options on replacing the units and raising the necessary funds.

May God bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator



Beloved of God,

## Solemnity of Corpus Christi – The Body and Blood of Jesus Our Blessed Lady and the Holy Mass



*“When the hour came, Jesus took His place at the table, and the apostles with Him. He said to them, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” Then He took a cup, and after giving thanks He said, “Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” Then He took a loaf of bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.” And He did the same with the cup after supper, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.” (Luke 22:14-20)*

*“Jesus took His place at the table, and the apostles with Him.”* Where is Mary? Our Blessed Lady, Our Holy Mother was not present at the Last Supper. One would think that at this most important moment, when Her Son was reconfiguring the Holy Covenants of Old made between God and His Chosen People, that the Mother of God, the woman Who made all this possible, would be there. But She wasn't. Our Holy Mother, Mary was conspicuously absent. Or was She?

During Holy Week, we are given by the Holy Church the *Paschal Triduum* which reveals the Paschal Mystery – *“Christ’s work of redemption accomplished principally by His Passion, death, Resurrection and Glorious Ascension, whereby “dying He destroyed our death, rising He restored our life.”* (Catechism of the Catholic Church, pg. 891) This Mystery is revealed over time, most especially during the three days, Triduum, from Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday. The Holy Mass is the beginning of the revelation of the Suffering and Death of Our Savior. *“When the hour came”* is a prediction by Christ of His Passion. The Holy Mass is that unbloody Sacrifice of Christ on the Cross. Although, we do not see Our Blessed Lady at the First Mass where Jesus consecrated His first Bishops, She is ever present at the actual scene of the Crucifixion. Jesus’ Mother never left His side. Even though the other Apostles would abandon Him and betray Him (Luke 22:39-62), Our Blessed Lady, His first Disciple, remained ever vigilant, *“Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were His mother, and His mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.”* (John 19:25), as the Holy Mass unfolded. Let us remember that when we receive Holy Communion, we receive the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus. We mysteriously receive the Body of His Passion, His Crucified Body, His Risen Body and His Divinity. As the entire event of Christ’s Passion, Death and Resurrection are present in the Blessed Sacrament so are those three days, the Paschal Triduum, captured in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament as well. So even though, Our Blessed Lady was not present at the Last Supper, She is a part of the Paschal Triduum as She is ever-present at the Crucifixion.

Some saints, who have been graced with a special vision of the Holy Mass, offer that just as Our Blessed Lady was present before the foot of the Cross as Her Son was offered to the Father on the altar of the Cross, so is She ever-present during every Holy Mass. Our Blessed Lady, who has never received Holy Communion, but who was the original Tabernacle of the soon-to-be-born Savior of the World, is always by Her Son’s side.

Mary our Mother, please lead us to the Cross of your Son especially through the Holy Mass. God love you... Father Fernan

