

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

JUNE 12, 2016 – ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, JUNE 11	
5:00 PM	Peggy O'Connor (decd) <i>req. by Catherine Dwyer</i>
SUNDAY, JUNE 12	
8:00 AM	Carmel Finnegan (decd) <i>req. by the Finnegan Family</i>
10:00 AM	Eira Fatima Maghuyop (decd)
12:00 PM	Donald J. Torre (decd) <i>req. by Dolores Torre</i>
6:00 PM	Alex Fernan (lvg) – Special Intention <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
MONDAY, JUNE 13	
6:45 AM	Altrui Family (decd) <i>req. by Antoinette Lignore</i>
9:00 AM	Alfredo Dolgetta (decd) <i>req. by Silvia Dolgetta</i>
TUESDAY, JUNE 14	
6:45 AM	Bernard Madden (decd) <i>req. by Betty Madden</i>
9:00 AM	George O'Brien (decd)
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15	
6:45 AM	Jessica Basa (decd)-1 st Anniversary <i>req. by the Tipawan Family</i>
9:00 AM	Guilherme & Natalina Barata (decd) <i>req. by Odete Figureiredo</i>
THURSDAY, JUNE 16	
6:45 AM	Angelo & Mary Napoli (decd) <i>req. by Your Daughters</i>
9:00 AM	Ralph Grillo (lvg) – Special Intention <i>req. by George, Rita & Marie</i>
FRIDAY, JUNE 17	
6:45 AM	Sara & John Keenan (living) <i>req. by Father Fernan</i>
9:00 AM	Charles Troiano (decd) <i>req. by Maria A. Troiano</i>
SATURDAY, JUNE 18	
9:00 AM	Stephano & Jacob Lee (decd) <i>req. by Cecelia Lee</i>
5:00 PM	John Chema (decd) <i>req. by Carol Chema</i>



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2 Samuel 12:7-10, 13 The Lord forgives David's sin.

Psalm 32 "Lord, forgive the wrong I have done."

Galatians 2:16, 19-21 Christ lives in me.

Luke 7:36-8:3 or 7:36-60 Jesus forgives the woman's sins.

Our first reading and Gospel today focus on forgiveness. Indeed, God is capable of forgiving any sin, whether it be that of the sinful woman who anointed Jesus' feet, or that of King David who had Uriah killed. Pope Francis has identified himself as a sinner; each of us is as well. As we hear these readings, perhaps we can reflect on our own sins in the light of God's grace, and resolve to go to God with contrition in our hearts, that we too may be forgiven.

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

THANKSGIVING FOR ALINE SAINT LOUIS AND REGINALD SAINT LOUIS

REQ. BY ROSE SAINT LOUIS



BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR GRISHA BALAJ

REQ. BY DRITE HALILAJ

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:

June 5

Weekly Collection \$10,481
Black & Indian Missions Collection \$ 1,314

"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 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.

"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 16th 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.

ST EUGENE SENIORS

The St Eugene Seniors has a trip to Resorts Atlantic City scheduled for Tuesday, July 12th. 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. James Smyth, Joseph Kelly, Anna Lisa Miranda, Fr. Brian Brennan, Carmine Greco, Carol Russo, Grisha Balaj, Patricia Christian, Julia Duffy, Peter Sheridan, Eileen Brasiel, John McGarry, Serette Bernadin, Franzgermain Bernadin, Lisette Abraham and those recently called home to God especially Patricia Christian, William C. Mandrake, Frances Amendolagine and Reverend Father Joseph J. Smolinski.....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.

EVENTS IN THE AREA

Relics of St. Anthony of Padua at St. Ann's Parish: Special Masses at 12:00 Noon and 7:30 PM for The Relics of St. Anthony of Padua will be at St. Ann's Parish Wednesday June 15th. Veneration of the relics will be continuous throughout the day after both Masses. St. Ann's Church is located at 854 Midland Ave, Yonkers, NY 10704. All are welcome.

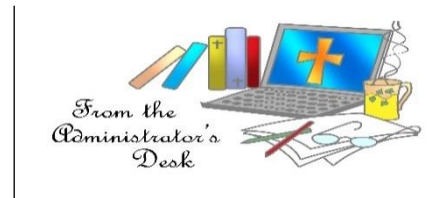
Saint Joseph's Medical Center: The Pastoral Care Dept. at St. Joseph's Nursing Home is looking for volunteers to help transport their Nursing Home Residents to and from Sunday Mass in the chapel within the facility. If you are able to spend an hour and a half 9:15 to 10:45AM one or more Sundays each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

The Higher Achievement Program (HAP): This program is for girls entering 7th and 8th grade to help them prepare for the TACHS (The Archdiocesan Catholic High School) entry exam. It is a 3 week (July 5th-July 22nd) 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 tkeelin@scahs.org.



Dear Parishioners:

- The Cardinal's Appeal: The Cardinal Appeal is progressing. The goal for our parish is \$95,500.00. To date our parish has received \$88,111.00 in pledges and gifts towards the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal from 286 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 School: This past Friday our eighth graders graduated from our school. We wish them the best in all their future endeavors. Wednesday, June 15th begins summer vacation for the remainder of our students. We thank Ms. Lauren Lewis for all of her hard work and thank all the faculty and staff of Saint Eugene School for their dedication to the children. May God grant you all a relaxing and restful summer and we will see you in September.

Christ, Teacher and Lord, bless all in this school as we seek to end our year with the grace you so generously provide. We give thanks for the students, and the faculty, the administrators, and all who have contributed to this year of nurturing and growth. We affirm all the positive moments, of insight, of the excitement of learning, of accomplishment, of creativity, of laughter, of a sense of community. We recognize the times of struggle, of difficult work, of misunderstanding, even of failure; we give these to You for transformation, so they can become seeds that will find fertile soil. As we leave for the summer, May we take with us the knowledge that, You will keep us all in Your embrace so We may rest and be restored and so we can continue in the ongoing discovery of Your Love. Amen – Catholic Online



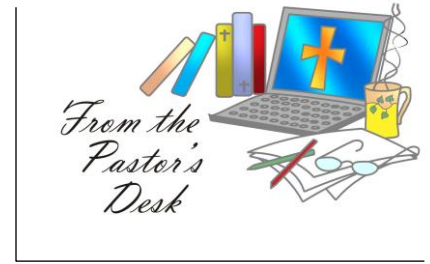
- Saint Eugene Religious Education: Communion and Confirmation pictures of the children receiving their sacraments and the group picture are ready and available for pick-up. Please come to the church office during normal business hours for pick-up, which is Monday - Friday 9:30-3:30. Thank you.
- Church Air Conditioning: As stated two weeks ago after much discussion with the engineers from Titan Mechanical we had decided to repair the air conditioning for this summer, due to the cost of the new units as well as the time needed for removal of the units and installation of the new ones. *These units have not been properly maintained at all over the past years.* We have installed PVC traps to catch all loose debris from the units, with that the traps are constantly clogging due to the filth and disrepair of the filters that remain in the units, which in turn is clogging the flow of water and then leaking into the building. All of the units are completely rotted and because we have never had a thermostat attached to these units most of the components are damaged from running all the time and are not worth replacing. I ask that you please bear with us. We are doing everything to have the air conditioning working continually this summer, as we review ways of raising funds for this and many other repairs that are needed due to the lack of general maintenance.
- Church Attire: As we are entering the hot, hazy days of summer, please remember that when attending Mass a proper dress code is recommended. Please no bathing suits, short shorts or tank tops.
- Flag Day: Tuesday, June 14th is *Flag Day*; it commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States, which happened on that day in 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The United States Army also celebrates the Army Birthday on this date; Congress adopted "the American continental army" after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; in August 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. ***Please remember all those who sacrificed their lives so that we can fly our flag proudly.***
- 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,

**THE SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS
THE MEMORIAL OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**



The feasts proceed in this order of succession...

- The Ascension – Jesus glorious return to Heaven, Body and Soul
- Pentecost – the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and Mary... the Birth of the Church
- The Most Holy Blessed Trinity – the worshipping of the Three persons, Father, Son and Spirit, in one God
- Corpus Christi – bowing before the Real Presence of Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Blessed Sacrament, the Host
- The Sacred Heart of Jesus
- The Immaculate Heart of Mary

What a glorious five and a half weeks. We have been blessed to witness and receive so many awesome actions of the Almighty. We have to ask ourselves two questions... Why and What?

Why did all this happen? What made all this possible? First the why. Why did all this happen, from the Birth of Jesus to His suffering and death, to His resurrection and Ascension to Heaven? Why did God do all this? *"Jesus said, 'that the world may know that You sent Me, and that You loved them even as You loved Me.'*" (John 17:23b) We are being told that within the relationships of the Blessed Trinity there is love. The Father loves the Son. The Son loves the Father. The Spirit is the essence of the Love. Love is the fundamental nature of God. With the revelation of the Son in the Person of Jesus Christ we are not only learning about the nature of God as explained by Jesus in the Scriptures, but we are also learning about how we also relate to this God Whose nature is Love. In the passage above, spoken by Christ during the Last Supper, we see the Love of the Father for the Son... *"as You loved Me."* We see the mission of the Son, *"that the world may know that You sent Me."* We see the desire of the Son, *"that the world may know... that You loved them...."* In our human nature we attribute the epicenter of our "love" to be located in the heart. As our words always fall short of our own realities and most especially when we are attempting to explain God, let us simply say that when we are going to answer the question, "Why did all this happen?," we must reply, *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life."* (John 3:16) God loves us. God has revealed His heart to us... so we might be saved. This is the why. The Sacred Heart of Jesus living, suffering, dying and resurrected for us.

Sacred Heart of Jesus
Immaculate Heart of Mary



Intercede for Us

On to the What. What made all this possible? *"In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary...Then the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus...Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.'*" (Luke 1:26-27, 30-31, 38) What made all this possible? The sinless soul and devoted heart of our Blessed Lady. A heart filled with such great charity that even though She knows of the divine life within Her womb, She does not glorify Herself... *"Mary said: 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For He has looked upon His handmaid's lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is His name.'*" (Luke 1:46-49) Because of Her great love, because of Her immaculate heart, the Blessed Virgin Mary, was able to say "Yes" to the Angel Gabriel in words since She had already given Her heart to God.

One prayer that is offered says, "Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Yours." May we follow this prayer with another, "Mary, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto yours."

God love you... Father Fernan