

# THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

JUNE 26, 2016 – THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



	<b>SATURDAY, JUNE 25</b>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	John Shanahan (decd)
	<b>SUNDAY, JUNE 26</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	Father's Day Novena
<b>10:00 AM</b>	Deceased members of Liberatore, Ruiz & Iamucci Families <i>req. by Joanne Liberatore</i>
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Bridget Joyce (decd) <i>req. by the Legion of Mary</i>
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Louis Bastone (decd) <i>req. by Theresa Bastone</i>
	<b>MONDAY, JUNE 27</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Linda Farrugia (Ivg)-Special Intention <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	George O'Brien (decd)
	<b>TUESDAY, JUNE 28</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Father's Day Novena
<b>9:00 AM</b>	David O'Sullivan-(Ivg) Sp. Intention <i>req. by Ellen O'Sullivan</i>
	<b>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Bill Hyland (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Smyth</i>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Michael Sorentino (decd) <i>req. by Donna</i>
	<b>THURSDAY, JUNE 30</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	John Bastone (decd) <i>req. by Theresa Bastone</i>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Father's Day Novena
	<b>FRIDAY, JULY 1</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Father's Day Novena
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Anibal Barata (decd) <i>req. by Odete Figureiredo</i>
<b>7:30 PM</b>	Al O'Toole (decd) <i>req. by Marie Ross</i>
	<b>SATURDAY, JULY 2</b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Msgr. John A. Gallagher (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Smyth</i>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Father's Day Novena



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**1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21** Elisha left everything to inherit Elijah's prophetic role.

**Psalms 16** "You are my inheritance, O' Lord."

**Galatians 5:1, 13-18** A proper use of freedom includes service to others, motivated by love.

**Luke 9:51-62** Jesus expects us to leave everything to follow Him.

In today's Gospel Jesus resolutely begins his "journey to Jerusalem." He does this with some urgency, telling his disciples what they must do to follow Him. As we hear these words today, perhaps we can examine our own lives to see what we need to set aside and leave behind in order to follow Jesus more closely on the way.

### 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

#### SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR FRANZGERMAIN BERNADIN

REQ. BY LISETTE ABRAHAM

### BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

#### SPECIAL INTENTION FOR GRISHA BALAJ

REQ. BY DRITA HALILAJ



### BREAD AND WINE

#### SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR THE LIGNORE FAMILY

REQ. BY ANTOINETTE LIGNORE

### 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	G. Mastrangelo	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 19**

Weekly Collection .....\$9,014

"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 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. As you are leaving for vacation and have extra food, 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, June 30<sup>th</sup>. Please drop off the chicken at the Adoration Chapel parking lot. 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."*

**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.

**ST EUGENE SENIORS**

The St Eugene Seniors has two upcoming trips. The first is 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. Following in September there is a trip planned to Wildwood, NJ September 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. The cost is \$341.00 and includes bus (taxes and gratuities), accommodations, breakfast, dinner, two \$20 meal vouchers at casinos, \$5 for coin play and sightseeing in the local area. 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, Carmine Greco, Carol Russo, Grisha Balaj, Julia Duffy, Peter Sheridan, Eileen Brasiel, John McGarry, Serette Bernadin, Franzgermain Bernadin, Lisette Abraham, Baby Abigail Raine, Joan Pinto, Guy Pontillo and those recently called home to God especially Barbara M. Famulare.....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.

**MESSAGE FROM CARDINAL DOLAN**

Dear Friends in the Lord:

The people of Africa are joyous and faith-filled, but they also often face challenges due to poverty, the high incidence of disease, food shortages, and migration. The Church in Africa journeys with people gifted with a vibrant spirituality and is a source of hope and faith. *The solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa* supports pastoral projects that foster lasting peace and reconciliation in a continent often marked by division and tension. Pope Francis challenges us: "Touched by Christ's infinite mercy, may all the faithful be signs of the reconciliation, justice and peace that God wills for...all of Africa (April 15, 2015)

With so many people in Africa on the move, providing pastoral care to meet their spiritual needs is often difficult. In Angola, this is true for migrant and refugee communities, as well as for people whose livelihoods keep them moving, such as fisherman and truck drivers. Creating fellowship among various groups, ethnicities, and tribes is crucially important in order to avoid tribalism, discrimination, and racial violence.

To address these needs and foster growth in the communities, and with a grant from *the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa*, the bishops are providing training and formation for lay leaders in every diocese. These leaders attend seminars and workshops that equip them to return to their communities to welcome immigrants and help them find a home in local parish communities. After attending a seminar, one participant expressed his gratitude, saying, "Thank you for yet another moment of grace."

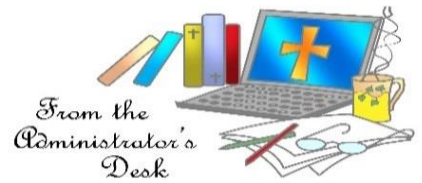
With your help, the *Church of Africa* can continue to play an active role in the evangelization of the world. Projects like this one care for the spiritual needs of the African people, allowing Africans to continue giving the world their vibrant expression of faith. Please give generously to the *Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa*.

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,  
Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

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 \$91,276.00 in pledges and gifts towards the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal from 300 families. Please consider a gift to the appeal on behalf of your parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and as always, thank you!



- **Feast of Saints Peter & Paul, June 29:** Veneration of the two great Apostles, Peter and Paul has its roots in the very foundations of the Church. They are the solid rock on which the Church is built. They are at the origin of her faith and will forever remain her protectors and her guides. To them Rome owes her true greatness, for it was under God's providential guidance that they were led to make the capital of the Empire, sanctified by their martyrdom, the center of the Christian world whence should radiate the preaching of the Gospel. St. Peter suffered martyrdom under Nero, in A.D. 66 or 67. He was buried on the hill of the Vatican where recent excavations have revealed his tomb on the very site of the basilica of St. Peter's. St. Paul was beheaded in the Via Ostia on the spot where now stands the basilica bearing his name. Down the centuries Christian people in their thousands have gone on pilgrimage to the tombs of these Apostles. In the second and third centuries the Roman Church already stood pre-eminent by reason of her apostolicity, the infallible truth of her teaching and her two great figures, Saints Peter and Paul.



- **Saint Eugene Summer Office Hours:** During the months of July and August the office will be open Monday –Thursday 9:30-3:30 and Friday 9:30 -12 :00 noon.
- **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 - Thursday 9:30-3:30. Thank you.
- **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.
- **Fortnight for Freedom:** The Committee on Religious Liberty of the USCCB issued a formal statement on



various threats to the freedom of conscience and religion; *Our First, Most Cherished, Liberty*. In a statement from the Bishops it read, "We suggest that fourteen days from June 21, the vigil of the feasts of Saint John

Fisher and St. Thomas More to July 4<sup>th</sup>, Independence Day, be dedicated to the **Fortnight to Freedom** a great hymn of prayer for our country." Please join us we pray for religious liberty.

### ***Prayer for Religious Freedom***

*Almighty God, Father of all nations, for freedom You have set us free in Christ Jesus. We praise You and bless You for the gift of religious liberty, the foundation of human rights, justice, and the common good. Grant to our leaders the wisdom to protect and promote our liberties; by your grace may we have the courage to defend them, for ourselves and for all those who live in this blessed land. We ask this through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, our patroness, and in the name of your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with whom You live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. – from the USCCB*

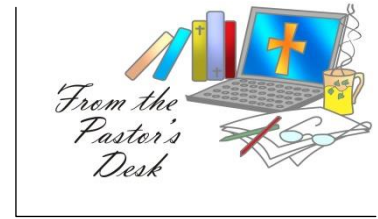
May God bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator



Beloved of God,

## **THE CLERGY OF SAINT EUGENE AND THE SUMMER MONTHS**

*“The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat. So they went off in a boat by themselves to a deserted place. People saw them leaving and many came to know about it. They hastened there on foot from all the towns and arrived at the place before them.” (Mark 6:29-33)*



- **Father Morris** – As was announced last week before all the Holy Masses and also as reported in this week’s Catholic New York, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan “with much joy” has appointed Father Morris as “Pastor of Regina Coeli Parish in Hyde Park... effective at noon on July 1, 2016.” As Father Morris’s classmate, I am so pleased for Fr. Morris who, while loving his responsibilities as the Archdiocesan Archivist, has been longing to return to the priestly work of serving the good and holy people of God in a parish. As your pastor, we are sorry to see Fr. Morris go because the exercise of his Holy Priesthood here at Saint Eugene has blessed many. Father Morris told me that while his assignment begins July 1<sup>st</sup>, he will still be available to help at Saint Eugene until the beginning of August. Our prayers will always be with him as he starts this new chapter of serving God.
- **The Mill Hill Fathers** – In speaking with Father Lee this past week, I just learned that it has been the longstanding practice of Fathers Lee and Coffey to take a most deserved rest from their weekly responsibilities at Saint Eugene during the summer months. Father Coffey usually goes home to Ireland for July and then for the month of August joins Father Lee on Mission Appeals. Please recall when we have visiting priests making spiritual and financial appeals on behalf of their order or mission. Our Mill Hill Fathers are doing the same for their order. We thank them for the last 10 months of priestly service and pray that they do find some rest during the mission appeals and come back to us rested in September. Please keep them and their mission efforts in your prayers.
- **Father Anthony** – Because of Father Anthony’s studies, he was not able to return home to Ghana for the past two years. He has been longing to see his family, especially since the death of his father occurred while he was assigned to a Brooklyn parish before coming to Saint Eugene. One of the challenges that face international priests is the type of VISA (not credit card) they have. Father Anthony’s visa is one used for educational purposes only. As his Bishop wanted Father to have pastoral experience, and we are so blessed by the Bishops decision, Father Anthony has to apply for a new visa. If he were to return to Ghana at this time, he would not be allowed to return to us before reapplying for a different visa, which takes from 6 months to a year. Although, Father cannot go home, we are talking about some time for him to also get some rest... stateside.

So where does this leave us? I am so pleased that Father George Obeng-Appah will be coming for the month of August also from Ghana. He will be a blessing for Saint Eugene. Since learning that the Mill Hill Fathers are not available for July and August, I have contacted the Office of International Priests about getting someone for July and I am also looking to get another weekend priest to succeed Father Morris. Please keep all the Fathers who have and are serving you in your prayers, thanking them for their work before the Lord and affording them some well-deserved rest.

God love you... Father Fernan