

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

JUNE 25, 2017 – TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, JUNE 24	
5:00 PM	John Shanahan (decd)
SUNDAY, JUNE 25	
8:00 AM	Father's Day Novena
10:00 AM	Peggy O'Connor (decd) <i>req. by Irene Moyles</i>
12:00 PM	Grace Gallo (decd) <i>req. by Eugene Gallo</i>
6:00 PM	Special Intention for St. Gerard <i>req. by The Hermoza Family</i>
MONDAY, JUNE 26	
6:45 AM	Father's Day Novena
9:00 AM	Maria Notaro (decd) <i>req. by Her Family</i>
TUESDAY, JUNE 27	
6:45 AM	Carmel Finnegan (decd) <i>req. by Frank & Jackie Finnegan</i>
9:00 AM	Sara S. Keenan (decd) <i>req. by Ann Mary, Tom & Emma Farrell</i>
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28	
6:45 AM	Souls in Purgatory <i>req. by Dora</i>
9:00 AM	David O'Sullivan (Living) <i>req. by Eileen O'Sullivan</i>
THURSDAY, JUNE 29	
6:45 AM	Josephine Villa (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo</i>
9:00 AM	Lydia Pascuzzi (decd) <i>req. by Tracy & Michael Stickley</i>
FRIDAY, JUNE 30	
6:45 AM	Living & deceased members of the George Family <i>req. by The Family</i>
9:00 AM	Michael Miliziano (decd) <i>req. by Maria Miliziaiano</i>
SATURDAY, JULY 1	
9:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory
5:00 PM	Fr. James Smyth (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>

**What you hear...
proclaim**



from the housetops.

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Jeremiah 20:10-13 The Lord will rescue the beloved from their persecutors.

Psalm 69 "Lord, in your great love, answer me."

Romans 5:12-15 By grace, the gracious gift of God's Son, Jesus Christ, has saved us all from sin.

Matthew 10:26-33 There is no fear when God's love is received as a precious gift.

Disciples can expect to be confronted at any time by those who seek to harm them. We may not necessarily suffer the fate of modern-day martyrs in Asia and the Middle East, but we know well what we may face even here at home if we talk publicly about our faith. So what comfort to hear Jesus tell us to not be afraid to proclaim our faith from the housetops, for even the hairs on our head are counted by God, who loves us and sustains 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

SPECIAL INTENTION FOR ELIZABETH & ODETH

REQ. BY ELSIE LARA

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

SPECIAL INTENTION FOR MARY SHEAHAN

REQ. BY CAROL & PAUL HRABSKY



BREAD AND WINE

SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

Adoration Chapel	Natalie Philpin	793-4757
	Patricia Finan	961-0146
Altar Guild	Jennie Sepe	776-9847
Boy Scouts	Donna Ragusa	472-7567
Religious Education	Gina Mastrangelo	961-2590
C.Y.O.	Joan DeLuca	497-9798
Catholic Daughters	Martina Parisi	400-3634
Cheerleaders	Lori Fox	325-0333
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
Music Director	Jerry Celestino	961-2590
Parish Council	Father Fernan	961-2590
Serra Club	George Alessi	779-8719
Senior Club	Jennie Sepe	776-9847
St. Vincent DePaul		
Of Saint Eugene Parish	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 18	2017	2016
Weekly Collection.....	\$8280	\$9014

"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 OF SAINT EUGENE PARISH

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. 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 29th 25th. Donations can be dropped off at the adoration Chapel entrance from 7:30-9:50 am or the lower parking lot of the school at 9:45 am.

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."

CAMP VERITAS

Camp Veritas is a one-week play-and-pray sleep away summer camp for teens going into 7th to 12th Grades. It will be held at three USA locations in 2017; July 16-22 at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, NY, July 23-29 at Summit Lake Camp in Emmitsburg, MD, and August 13-19 at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. The enrollment price for each week is \$450 per camper. Visit www.campveritas.com for details.

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Jannelle 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.

PRAYER TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, Source of all goodness and healing, I love You. Increase within me Your gifts of faith, hope and love. I offer You my own heart, wounded by sin, crippled by unkindness, but not beyond Your power to make whole again. Jesus, I ask that You touch me, calm me and heal me. Teach me to be gentle and humble of heart, to be patient and loving. In You I live and move and have my being. In You I am healed. Keep me close to You and the life and wholeness that You bring. If I stray give me the grace to accept Your invitation to return to You. Glory to You, O Most Sacred Heart; glory and praise and thanksgiving today and everyday. Amen.



PRAYER TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Immaculate Heart of Mary, full of love for God and mankind, and of compassion for sinners, I consecrate myself to you. I entrust to you the salvation of my soul. May my heart be ever united with yours, so that I may hate sin, love God and my neighbor, and reach eternal life with those whom I love. May I experience the kindness of your motherly heart and the power of your intercession with Jesus during my life and at the hour of my death. Amen.

SUNDAY MASS AND VACATION

Take God with you on vacation. As part of your planning for the summer, go to www.masstimes.org, enter your destination, and find the local Catholic Church and Mass times. The Sunday obligation for Mass is still in effect for the summer.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers the ill of our parish especially Helen Sheedy, Nicholas Gardini, Michael Tomanelli, Elise Gelpi, Liam Frawley, Angelo Bavaro, John Hopkin, Deborah Mahon, Joseph Kelly, Grisha Balaj, Julia Duffy, Eileen Brasiel, John McGarry, Serette Bernadin, Franzgermain Bernadin, Lisette Abraham, Joan Pinto, Frank Azaltovic, Frankie Delosso, Mary Ann R. Encarnacion, Fr. Terence Lee, Cora Lucy Sannella, Ann McMahon, Anthony Battista, Andrea Dworken, Anthony McCauley, Mary Sweeney, John Sweeney, Joseph A. Collins, Francis Bowen, Geraldine Gluck, Albert Casico, Analiza Miranda, Charlie Saumell, Leonor Abanilla, Jerry Weber, Carmen Delia Rivera, Emilio Irizzary and those recently called home to God especially Patrick J. Montgomery. 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.

Dear Parishioners:

- 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. - USCCB

- Saint Eugene Summer Office Hours: During the summer months the office will be open Monday –Thursday 9:30-3:30 and Friday 9:30 -12 :00 noon. This will begin next Friday, June 30th.
- 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.
- 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 4th, 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

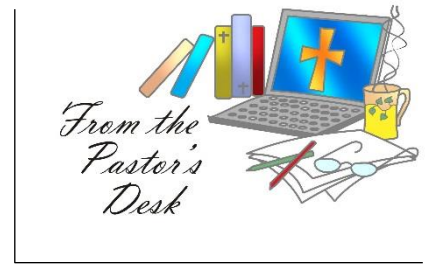
- *Almighty God, Father of all nations, for freedom You have set us free in Christ Jesus. We praise You and bless You for the gift of religious liberty, the foundation of human rights, justice, and the common good. Grant to our leaders the wisdom to protect and promote our liberties; by your grace may 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*
- 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.
- Summertime A time to relax : *Long warm days...The pace of life slows...A time for picnics and rest in the shade...Lord, help me to rest awhile in the cooling shade of your presence. Slow down my restless heart and fill me with gentle compassion for all your people. Amen. I hope that you, our parishioners, will all enjoy some rest and relaxation during the upcoming summer months. - Gina*



May God bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

Beloved of God,

The Feasts of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary



“When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up the mountain; and after He sat down, His disciples came to Him. Then He began to speak, and taught them, saying: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.” (Matthew 5:1-11)

Before there was ever the human heart, there is Love. One of the basic realities of Love is birth. Love gives birth. Creation is the act of revealing the Love already present. So when God created at the beginning of time, Genesis 1-2, it was Through Love, With Love and In Love... “Through Him, With Him and In Him.” The Love of God, the Love within God, gave birth to creation. When we were created in the “*Divine Image*” (Genesis 1:27)... when we had life “*breathed*” into us (Genesis 2:7)... when Man was given the “*partner*” of a Woman (Genesis 2:22), it was out of Love that we might have the image of Love on our being, the breath of Love within us. It is through this Divine Love that we are partnered in that Loving relationship of the Sacramental Marriage Covenant, One Man and One Woman, created by God for humanity.



So which came first, The Loving and *Immaculate Heart* of Our Blessed Mother or the Loving and *Sacred Heart* of Her Son, Our Blessed Lord? Some might argue, since Our Blessed Lady existed in time before Her Son, that Her Heart, Her Love existed first. Listen to the Sacred Scriptures, “*Then the Jews said to Jesus, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?” Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am.” (John 8:57-58)* “Before Abraham was” reveals to us that the Love that was to exist in the hearts of Our Blessed Lady and Our Blessed Lord, existed before them because it existed before Abraham. That Love is the essence of God. It is the relatedness of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. As Saint John wrote in his First Letter, “*Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.*”

Our Blessed Lady was conceived in love. Being free from sin, She lived a life of love. And as Jesus teaches in the Beatitudes, “*Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.*” Our Holy Mather, who was “*pure in heart,*” was later graced with title of being the *Immaculate Heart*. By Her example we are being told that we should strive to be free from sin and pure of heart so that we “will see God,” Her Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord and Savior... the *Sacred Heart*.

God love you... Father Fernan