

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

SEPTEMBER 3, 2017 – TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2	
5:00 PM	Living & Deceased Members of the O'Donnell Family <i>req. by Maura Ferguson</i>
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3	
8:00 AM	Maureen Burns (decd) <i>req. by Wayne & Maureen Modrovsky</i>
10:00 AM	Mary Shallo (decd) <i>req. by Maria & Russ York</i>
12:00 PM	Cisleen Redhead (decd) <i>req. by Dawn Redhead</i>
6:00 PM	Special Intention for Saint Gerard <i>req. by The Hermoza Family</i>
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4	
6:45 AM	Pasquale Costanza (decd) <i>req. by Carmela Gagliormella</i>
9:00 AM	Jim Phelan (decd) <i>req. by Maura Ferguson</i>
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5	
6:45 AM	Frank & Angelina Mastrangelo (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo</i>
9:00 AM	Andrew Piacente (decd) 5 Year Anniversary <i>req. by Marie Piacente & Family</i>
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6	
6:45 AM	Lolita Abundo (decd) <i>req. by Lutzie Yangco</i>
9:00 AM	Peg Henshaw (living) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo & Paul Henshaw</i>
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7	
6:45 AM	Ralph Bockino (decd) <i>req. by Father Fernan & Gina Mastrangelo</i>
9:00 AM	Bridget & Declan French (decd) <i>req. by Eileen Power</i>
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8	
6:45 AM	Anthony & Rachel Magnotta (decd) <i>req. by Deborah Magnotta</i>
9:00 AM	In Honor of the Blessed Mother
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9	
9:00 AM	Timothy Robinson (decd) <i>req. by The Robinson & Nicholson Family</i>

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Jeremiah 20:7-9 God's word has brought me derision.
Psalm 63 "My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God."
Romans 12:1-2 Discern what is the will of God.
Matthew 16:21-27 Take up the cross and follow the Lord.

Jeremiah in today's First Reading shows us what it means to truly belong to God. He cannot suppress the message that God has planted within him. As we hear God's holy word today, listen for the message God has planted within you. How will it burn within your heart, and how will you express it in the world?

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 ANDREW PIACENTE
REQ. BY HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN



BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE
SPECIAL INTENTION FOR BABY ELIZABETH LASKI
REQ. BY GRANDMA & GRANDPA

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:

August 27	2017	2016
Weekly Collection.....	\$ 8179	\$9,892
Monthly Collection.....	\$ 1566	\$1,932

"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."

LABOR DAY

On Labor Day, let us celebrate those who work to support their families and whose dedicated labor also support our nations growth. Especially let us remember those who work in support of protection the right to life of the unborn, the elderly and the medically dependent. *The rectory office is closed on Monday, September 4, Labor Day.*

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY OF SAINT EUGENE PARISH

With summer coming to an end, 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 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."

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel, located in the vestibule, is open daily Mon-Fri from 9:30am 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. **The Adoration Chapel will be closed on Monday, September 4th for Labor Day.**

SAINT EUGENE SENIORS

The St. Eugene Seniors have a trip planned for October 5th to see the matinee performance of Annie Get Your Gun at the Westchester Broadway Theater. The cost is \$55. This trip is open to all St. Eugene parishioners. For more information about the St. Eugene Seniors call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CHILD PROTECTION

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration forms for the upcoming classes of Religious Education have been mailed out to all of our registered families. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Mastrangelo at ginamastrangelo@csey.org. If you need registration forms please call the rectory secretaries.

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 7PM from May through October. Please join us near the outdoor statue of Our Lady as we honor the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima.

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 McMahan, Anthony Battista, Andrea Dworken, Anthony McCauley, Mary Sweeney, John Sweeney, Joseph A. Collins, Francis Bowen, Geraldine Gluck, Albert Casico, Charlie Saumell, Leonor Abanilla, Jerry Weber, Carmen Delia Rivera, Fr. Joseph Irwin, Teagan Maria Farrah, Helene Layman, Aimee Rizzi and those recently called home to God, especially Emilio Irizzary, Hugh Macken, Mike O'Hanlon, Fr. Anthony Boating-Mensah and Antoinette Ploger. 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.

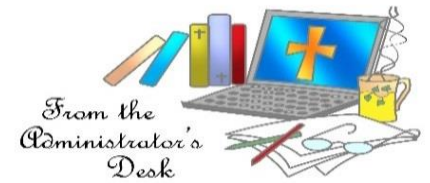
PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

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.

CATHOLIC WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS OF YONKERS

They are a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its members. They meet on the third Thursday of each month (next meeting September 21st 1PM) at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers. They are also holding their annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday September 17th. Mass will be at Christ the King Church, 740 N. Broadway, Yonkers, at 10:30AM followed by breakfast at Dunwoodie Golf Course. Cost is \$23. All are welcome. For more information, call (914) 423-5331.

Dear Parishioners:



*I hope that everyone had a restful and healthy summer. We are looking forward to a new year in the church. May God bless you and your families on this Labor Day Weekend. **Lord on this Labor Day, we thank you for the blessing of work. We ask for strength to complete each day. We ask for rest when we are weary. We ask Your guidance for everyone seeking employment, and we ask that You be with those whose faces we might never see but who work tirelessly each day for the good of us all. Amen.***

- **Our Blessed Mother** - On Friday, September 8th, we celebrate the birthday of our Blessed Mother, Mary. Please join us for the rosary and prayer service as we celebrate the birthday of our Blessed Mother on September 8th at 7:00 pm at the statue of the Blessed Mother. Please take the time to pray to her for our country, for those in need, and for our church. *Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of Thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

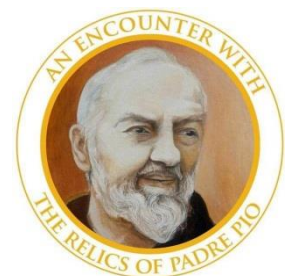


- **Saint Eugene School** - On Thursday September 7th our school will reopen for the 2017 -2018 academic year. We welcome all of our new families and welcome back our students and families that have been part of our school family and a big welcome to our new school principal *Mrs. Joan Fox.*



We ask our Lord and his Blessed Mother to pray for them as we enter the new school year. *Dearest Father in Heaven, Bless us all and bless this day of new beginnings. Smile upon this staff and student body, and surround us, Lord, with the soft mantle of your love. Teach this community to follow in your footsteps, and to live life in the ways of love, faith, hope and charity... through Your name, Jesus Christ... Amen*

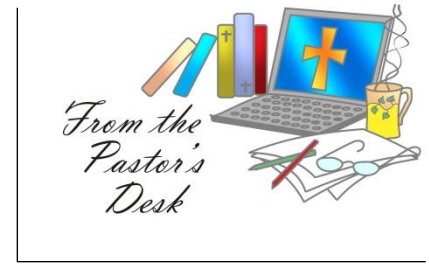
- **Saint Eugene Religious Education** – Registration forms for the upcoming school year have been mailed out to all of our families who attended last year. If you are new to our program or have not received the forms, they can be retrieved from the church office during normal business hours, which are Monday – Friday 9:30-3:30. Thank you.
- **Saint Eugene CYO** : Saint Eugene Parish has a vibrant CYO with competitive boys and girls basketball teams and Cheerleading squads. All are coached by parent and student (18 and over) volunteers. All must be cleared through the Safe Environment Office of the Archdiocese of New York. Registration will be in September for basketball and cheer weeknight practices starting in October and continuing through March. The basketball season begins in November and games are played throughout Westchester County. Cheerleading is done at home games. Parents of CYO participants are asked to support the program by attending games, volunteering during the games, and cheering for the players as well as being models of sportsmanship. For more information, please contact Mrs. Joan Deluca.
- **Save the Date:** The Padre Pio Foundation has organized a first-time tour of the official relics of Padre Pio, on the occasion of the 130th anniversary of his birth and the 15th anniversary of his canonization, here in the United States. St. Patrick's Cathedral has been blessed to welcome these beautiful and holy relics for full veneration throughout the day on Sunday, September 17 and Monday September 18 from 7:00am-8:00pm each day to commemorate their first stop on this once in a lifetime tour. For more information please go to archny.org and click events.



May God bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

Beloved of God,

THE BIRTH OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER – September 8th
THE TRAGEDY OF 9/11 – September 11th
THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS – September 14th



“Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Messiah of the Lord. Simeon came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to Him, he took Him into his arms and blessed God, saying: “Now, Master, You may let Your servant go in peace, according to Your word, for my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for Your people Israel.” The Child’s father and mother were amazed at what was said about Him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted and you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.” (Luke 2:25-35)

It has long been the tradition of the Catholic Church found in Her Sacred Calendar of Solemnities, Feasts and Memorials of Saints and Sacred Events (Christmas/Easter), that the holy people of God are to call to mind and incorporate into the movement of their day the *Birth of the Mother of God*, September 8th, and the *Triumph of the Cross*, September 14th. (The reason the Birth of Holy Mary is celebrated on September 8th is because it is exactly 9 months after Her *Immaculate Conception* which is celebrated on December 8th.) Within the space of a week, the Holy Church has given us the beginning of Divine Intervention in Salvation History where *“With us is God,”* (Isaiah 8:10, Matthew 1:23) to its culmination Our Savior offering Himself on the Cross of Life, *“It is finished.”* (John 19:30) This one week has captured the essence and fullness of the Love and Mercy of Almighty God. In His great love, God, Who had sent numerous prophets and judges to remind His Chosen People of Himself while at the same time drawing them back to Himself after their wandering. In His mercy, God, each time they wandered, opened His arms to His wayward flock to Shepherd them home. While these attempts were full of His love and mercy, they were not fully received by His people. So *“when the fullness of time had come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law so that we might receive adoption.”* (Galatians 4:4-5) The Son of God, becoming Human at the Incarnation, offered to those not born “under the law”, (the Hebrews), the possibility of salvation through the one Savior of all people, Jesus the Christ, the Son of Man.

There must be a Mother... *“Standing by the cross of Jesus were His Mother and His Mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. When Jesus saw His Mother and the disciple there whom He loved, He said to His Mother, “Woman, behold your son.” Then He said to the disciple, “Behold, your Mother.”* (John 19:25-26) Mary, as Jesus’ Mother, is Queen of Heaven. Mary, as our Mother through the gift of Her to John the Beloved Disciple, is Queen of Earth. And as our Mother, She has never left us. She is aware of the great suffering we are enduring. Her Immaculate (free of sin) Heart hurts for all of us, Her children. We know this because of the numerous times Our Beloved Holy Mother has revealed Herself to us throughout history... Our Lady of Guadalupe and Our Lady of Fatima, to name a couple. In Her revelations, She tells us of Her knowing our pain and She offers us remedies... most especially prayers – ever dear to Her Heart is the Holy Rosary. And any true apparition always carries with it a message where Our Lady points us not to Herself but to Her Son. In Her own words, She asked to children of Fatima to add the following phrase to the Holy Rosary... *“O My Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Your mercy.”*

So when the Evil One chose September 11th, 9/11 or 911, hoping to send a message of despair, destruction, domination and fear tied to the known distress call 911, it indeed was a distress call...not to our local first responders, but to the Ultimate Responder Who saves the body and more importantly the Soul. (Matthew 10:28) Please listen to the words of Our Lady of Fatima again... *“O My Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Your mercy.”* As we recall both September 8th and September 11th, please pray this prayer repeatedly. It applies to these days because both Jesus and Mary were there. *“O My Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Your mercy.”*

God love you... Father Fernan