

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

NOVEMBER 5, 2017 – THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4	
5:00 PM	Kenneth G. Kilgannon (decd) <i>req. by Maureen Kilgannon</i>
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5	
8:00 AM	All Souls Novena
10:00 AM	Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Veltri & Family (decd) <i>req. by daughter, Ida Belmonte & Family</i>
12:00 PM	Joseph Nicholson (decd) <i>req. by Eileen Nicholson</i>
6:00 PM	Anabella Pastilha (decd) <i>req. by The Goncalves Family</i>
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6	
6:45 AM	All Souls Novena
9:00 AM	Mary Ann Marron (decd) <i>req. by John McKeon</i>
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7	
6:45 AM	George Tlamsa (decd) <i>req. by The Tlamsa Family</i>
9:00 AM	All Souls Novena
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8	
6:45 AM	All Souls Novena
9:00 AM	Ciboso, Veltri & DiMuro Family (decd) <i>req. by Vita DiMuro</i>
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9	
6:45 AM	Patrick Joseph and Mary Moyles (decd) <i>req. by Irene Moyles</i>
9:00 AM	All Souls Novena
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10	
6:45 AM	All Souls Novena
9:00 AM	Aley Mathew (decd) <i>req. by The George Family</i>
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11	
9:00 AM	Jack Davis (decd) <i>req. by Clare Davis</i>



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Malachi 1:14b - 2:2b, 8-10 Worship the one God who created us, and keep faith with one another.

Psalm 131 "In You, Lord, I have found my peace."

1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13 God is as a gentle mother caring for her children.

Matthew 23:1-12 Jesus teaches that we have only one master who is the Christ.

Our First Reading and Gospel deliver a very clear message about practicing what we preach. Imagine being a Scribe or Pharisee and hearing Jesus tell the people to ignore what you do and only do what you preach! As we hear this word, let us each examine our own lives. Do we do what God asks of us, or do we only pay lip service to God's commands?

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 JOSEPH MALLON
REQ. BY FAMILY

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE
CHRISTOPHER & ADELAIDE REZZA
50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE

BREAD AND WINE
SPECIAL INTENTION FOR BABY ELIZABETH LASKI
REQ. BY GRANDMA & GRANDPA



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.	Toni-Ann Licatesi	879-3956
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:

October 29	2017	2016
Weekly Collection.....	\$8908	\$9820

"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."

VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

Prayer for Vocations

O Jesus, Divine Shepherd of souls, You called the Apostles to be fishers of men. Send us holy priests O Lord through the intercession of Mary, Mother and model of all vocations. Let your call be heard and answered by generous and courageous men to meet the pressing needs of Your Church and the world. Come, Lord, do not delay. Send to Your Church holy priests! Amen.

VETERAN'S DAY

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.

PRAYER BEFORE AN ELECTION

Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city, state, and country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.

We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.

We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.

We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Recitation of the Rosary will be in the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9AM weekday Masses.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Please contact Martina Parisi at (914) 400-3634 to learn more about the Catholic Daughters. All women of the parish are welcome.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY OF SAINT EUGENE PARISH

With autumn upon us, 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.)

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."

SAINT EUGENE SENIORS

There will be a Seniors meeting on November 9, 2017 at 12:30pm. New members can contact Jennie Sepe at 914-776-9847. Meetings are held at the Old Kindergarten.

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.

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, 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, Baby Elizabeth Laski, 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, Martha Jane, Margaret Fleming, Michael Laymon, Charles Saumell, Paul Henshaw, Joseph Angione and those recently called home to God, especially Nancy Marino, James Russo, Alison Henry, Juan Rodriguez and Elda Perna. 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.

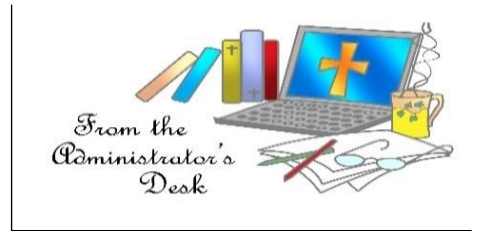
PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Jannelle Amador, Jose Luis Petrovich, Matthew Valentinetti, Brian Mulhern, John Kollinger, Kevin Brodeur, David Daliso, Logan Wilson, Matthew Fishwick, Kevin Jones and Joe Kelly.. 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.

AREA EVENTS

Free Lecture "Building Resilience in Children, Tweens and Teens: Developing Confidence, Character and Courage: Presenter, Orla Cashman, Ph.D., LSCW. Thursday, Nov. 9th, 8:30-10AM at The RDC Center for Counseling & Human Development, 52 N. Broadway, White Plains, NY RSVP to Pat Sheridan, psheridan@divinecompassion.org by Nov, 7th

Dear Parishioners:



- National Vocation Awareness Week : (NVAW) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the U. S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which falls on January 13 in 2013. Beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November. *Almighty and eternal God, in Your unfailing love You provide ministers for Your Church. We pray for those whom You call to serve the Catholic Church as priests. Inspire in them a generous response. Grant them courage and vision to serve Your people May their lives and service call Your people to respond to the presence of Your Spirit among us that, faithful to the Gospel and hope of Jesus the Christ, we may: announce glad tidings to the poor proclaim liberty to captives, set prisoners free and renew the face of the earth.*

- Thanksgiving Food Drive: As we are in the month of November and the Thanksgiving Season, let us remember those who are less fortunate than ourselves. The parish food drive, working with our Saint Vincent DePaul Society, will be November 1-19. We are collecting nonperishable items. They can be placed into the containers located at the church entrances. All the food collected will be distributed to Saint Joseph's Food Pantry in Yonkers. We will also be collecting frozen turkeys (10-14lbs.) and hams to be distributed to the Sharing Community. We will be collecting those on Monday morning, November 20, in the parking area near the adoration chapel *Give thanks in all circumstances: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:18*

- Election Day: November 7th is Election Day. There are many local politicians that are up for re-election s well as our County Executive. Please pray when you vote and pray for our city and county, as well as our country. *Prayer to Our Lady, Patroness of America.* In 1959, the U.S. bishops once again solemnly entrusted the country to Mary. Their prayer is well worth our consideration: *Most Holy Trinity: Our Father in heaven, who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters; Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as Your spouse; God the Son, who chose Mary as Your Mother; in union with Mary, we adore Your majesty and acknowledge Your supreme, eternal dominion and authority. Most Holy Trinity, we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to you. Through her we wish to thank You*



for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage. Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our president and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy born of justice and charity. Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the precious gift of many religious vocations. Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the poor, the tempted, sinners, on all who are in need. Mary, Immaculate Virgin, our Mother, patroness of our land, we praise You and honor You and give ourselves to You. Protect us from all harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to Your will and the will of Your divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God. Amen. Please pray for our nation as we enter this election.



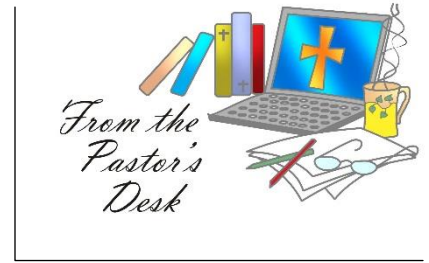
- Veteran's Day: Saturday, November 11th is Veteran's Day and Friday, November 10th is a legal holiday. The church office will be closed on Friday. **Let us remember all those who served so we can enjoy our freedoms.** *Heavenly Father, we thank You for the selfless service of those who gave their lives to protect our nation, preserve our freedoms, and restore peace in the face of brutal aggressors. Grant relief to those who continue to experience emotional or physical agony from their days of combat. Give us a sense of responsibility for their welfare. Comfort those who mourn for loved ones who died while performing their duty to our country. Enlist all who are in our military forces into Your church militant, that they may pledge eternal loyalty to Christ, our King, and know His Peace. Amen.*



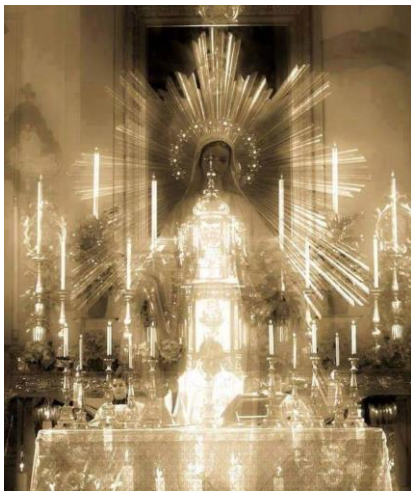
May God bless you always; Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

Beloved of God,

*Jesus said, "The gift you have been given, give as a gift."
(Matthew 10:8b)*



A recent television commercial showed all sorts of children doing all types of chores... that seem to be above and beyond what they would normally be willing to do. The parents are looking at the children with great surprise... and then the announcer says "Nobody wants to be on the Naughty List this year!" Christmas is all over Costco. Have you started Christmas shopping yet? Are you making plans for *Black Friday* or *Cyber Monday*? Have you heard that some stores have decided to open at 7:00PM of Thanksgiving? The pressure is beginning to mount for parents to top what was given last year and on children "to behave." The Marketing departments are in overdrive... and we will be bombarded hourly and daily for the next two months. So what are you thinking of giving?



"And Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way, after the supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is poured out for you." (Luke 22:19-20)

The greatest gift humanity has received, besides being created by the Blessed Trinity, "then God said, "Let Us make mankind in Our image, in Our likeness," (Genesis 1:26), was the gift the Son of God, Our Savior Jesus Christ, gave us in the Blessed Sacrament... the gift of His very Self – Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity – given to us at the Last Supper and through the Holy Mass. Saint Luke was inspired to remember and write the words Our Blessed Lord spoke, "Do this in remembrance of Me." Saint Matthew was also inspired by God to record in his Gospel these words of Our Savior, "The gift you have been given, give as a gift."

What better gift can you give than the Holy Mass? When people say it is the thought that counts, what better thoughts could you intend that your loved one be remembered at a Holy Mass, that the intention of the priest as he becomes one with the Holy Priest Jesus on the Cross, that your loved one be in his heart and memory? Saint Anselm said, "A single Mass offered for oneself during life may be worth more than a thousand celebrated for the same intention after death." May I offer that a single Holy Mass offered for any of your intentions, any of your loved ones, on any occasion is of untold value. It occurs to most people to have a Holy Mass offered for someone on the occasion of their going home to God. And yet, many saints, Jerome, Thomas Aquinas, Augustine, Therese, John Chrysostom, all stress the value of the Holy Mass most especially offered while the person is alive. Think about it, what good is the doctor after the patient has died. His/Her work is done. Although the Holy Mass gives untold graces to the souls for which it is offered and if they are in Purgatory will assist them along the road to finally attaining their heavenly reward... the spiritual medicine, the heavenly remedies that a Holy Mass offered for a person while alive are only bound by the limitless love and mercy of God.

So as you are considering a Christmas Gift, a Thanksgiving gift, a Birthday present, a Wedding Anniversary remembrance, a loved one who is suffering a terminal illness, a friend who is facing a life-altering decision, a Saint Valentine's Day, Mother's Day and Father's Day present, a friend or family member who is sick or stressed, or a "just-because" card, think about having a Holy Mass, with all the graces which flow from it, offered for your loved or your special intention. Turn a regular and/or special occasion into a Divine Intervention. (The parish offices will help you with this.)

God love you... Father Fernan