

# THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

MARCH 4, 2018 – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



SATURDAY, MARCH 3	
5:00 PM	Elizabeth Reid (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
SUNDAY, MARCH 4	
8:00 AM	Nora Kerr (decd) <i>req. by George Klett</i>
10:00 AM	Marie Coles (decd) <i>req. by Clare Davis</i>
12:00 PM	Joseph O'Neill (decd)
6:00 PM	Geno Egiziaco Sr. (decd) <i>req. by Kathleen Jacob</i>
MONDAY, MARCH 5	
6:45 AM	Cardinal Egan (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan &amp; Gina Mastrangelo</i>
9:00 AM	Tom & Agnes Neville (decd) <i>req. by Ita Yager</i>
TUESDAY, MARCH 6	
6:45 AM	Benito Loren (decd) <i>req. by Maghuyop Family</i>
9:00 AM	Decd Members of The Yager Family <i>req. by Ita Yager</i>
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7	
6:45 AM	Leonor Naron (decd) <i>req. by Maghuyop Family</i>
9:00 AM	Abdelrahim Sulaiman (decd) <i>req. by Negma Sulaiman</i>
THURSDAY, MARCH 8	
6:45 AM	Maura Daleon (decd) <i>req. by Maghuyop Family</i>
9:00 AM	Michael Kenny (decd) <i>req. by The Kenny Family</i>
FRIDAY, MARCH 9	
6:45 AM	Mary Ellen Carey & Sara Keenan (decd) <i>req. by Eugene &amp; Ann Fernan</i>
9:00 AM	Martin Fressle (decd) <i>req. by Gretta Evers</i>
9:30 AM	<b>Stations of the Cross-if no funeral</b>
7:00 PM	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
SATURDAY MARCH 10	
9:00 AM	Coronato Dalli (decd) <i>req. by Carmen Dalli</i>

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

**Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17** The law was given through Moses.

**Psalm 19** "Lord. You have the words of everlasting life."

**1 Corinthians 1:22-25** We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to many, but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.

**John 2:13-25** Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

Last week we heard God speak to Peter, James, and John from the mountain where Jesus was transfigured. Today God speaks to Moses from another holy mountain. But we are challenged not to misunderstand. Jesus was misunderstood when He assured the temple authorities that He could raise it up in three days. This promise will be used against Him when He is on trial. But as Christians, we know, as did Paul, that the wisdom of God is beyond all human wisdom.

## 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 \$10.00 a week is requested.

### TABERNACLE CANDLE

**SPECIAL INTENTION FOR BABY ELIZABETH LASKI**

REQ. BY GRANDMA & GRANDPA

### BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

**IN MEMORY OF NORA KERR**

REQ. BY GEORGE KLETT



### BREAD AND WINE

**IN MEMORY OF KATHERINE ESPOSITO-ALLAN**

REQ. BY CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

## 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:

<b>February 25</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Weekly Collection.....	\$8874	\$9400

"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 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](mailto: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."*

## ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Recitation of the Rosary at 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.

## 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.

## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Next weekend, Daylight Savings Time begins. Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead 1 hour.

## ST. PATRICK / ST. JOSEPH PARTY

Sign up by March 5<sup>th</sup>. The party is on March 11<sup>th</sup> 4pm-7pm. No admittance without reservations.

## 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 McMahon, Andrea Dworken, Anthony McCauley, Baby Elizabeth Laski, Mary Sweeney, John Sweeney, Joseph A. Collins, Francis Bowen, Geraldine Gluck, Albert Casico, Leonor Abanilla, Jerry Weber, Carmen Delia Rivera, Teagan Maria Farrah, Helene Layman, Aimee Rizzi, Martha Jane, Margaret Fleming, Charles Saumell, Lucille Layman, Vincent Scardino and those recently called home to God, especially Florence Lauria, Diana Krasnow and Billy Houlihan. 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, Kevin Jones, Brian Grealy 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

## SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

**THE 63RD ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE ON MCLEAN AVENUE**  
Saturday, March 24, 2018 – Starting at 1:00 P.M. The Parade Committee is proud to announce that former Irish Ambassador to the United States **Anne Anderson** is the 2018 Grand Marshal and she will lead the Parade, starting at 1:00PM. Before the Parade, at 11:15 a.m., the Parade Committee will participate in a Mass at St. Barnabas High School Chapel. All are welcome. Please join us at the parade, either as a marcher or a spectator. If you are interested in attending the Annual Dinner on March 10th at the Empire City Casino, please contact Jean Tickell the Dinner Chairman at (914) 419-3611 or at [paradedinner@gmail.com](mailto:paradedinner@gmail.com), or visit the Parade website at <http://www.yonkersstpatricksparade.org>.

## CATHOLIC WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

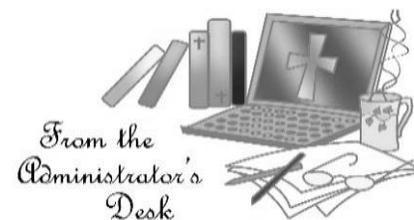
The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. Meetings are on the third Thursday of each month at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers. Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 1PM. New members are welcome. The 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon will be held on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 1PM at Gianna's Restaurant, 1034 North Broadway, Yonkers, NY. It is located at Executive Park, corner of Odell Terrace and North Broadway. Cost is \$25.00, payable at the luncheon. Reservations required. New and former members and guests are welcome. For more information, please call 914-423-3331.

## SAINT EUGENE SENIORS

The St. Eugene Seniors have a trip planned for Thursday, May 3, 2018 to see Sister Act, The Musical at the Westchester Broadway Theater. The cost is \$55, which includes lunch, parking and tip. (Going by car, Para Transit.) This trip is open to all St. Eugene parishioners. For more information about the St. Eugene Seniors call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847.

Dear Parishioners;

Lent: We are now in the Lenten Season, let us remember what it is; and why as Catholics it is such an important time in the Liturgical year. Lent is a special time of prayer, penance, sacrifice, mercy and good works in preparation of the celebration of Easter. It is the desire to renew the practices of the Church. The two features which are especially characteristic of Lent are; the recalling of baptism or the preparation for it, and reconciliation (penance) which should be given the greater emphasis.



The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal: The appeal for 2018 has begun. This weekend is our first in-pew. Envelopes are located in all of the plastic holders in each pew. As of today we have \$19,972, towards our goal of \$96,000.00. For more information please visit [www.cardinalsappeal.org](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org) and as always, thank you.

Feast Day Celebrations: Please join us next Sunday March 11th, for our annual Saint Patrick and Saint Joseph celebrations. Please fill out the flyers which are located in the entrances of the church and return them ASAP. All reservations MUST be in by Monday March 5<sup>th</sup>. Reservations are required and we will not be accepting reservations after Monday. **There will be no admittance at the door on the day of the event.**

Flu Season: During the winter season if you are not feeling well please make the right decision about attending Mass. If your illness continues and you would like to have a visit by a priest or our deacon, please call the church office. In Church if you see that someone is ill next to you, or if you are not feeling well, please wave or nod during the sign of peace. Not transferring germs is the nicest thing we can do for each other.

Religious Education / Inclement Weather: Just a reminder, if there is any form of winter precipitation that should occur on Wednesday afternoons or evenings, which may interfere with Religious Education, or safety on the roads, please watch news 12 for cancellations or news12.com.

Communications: Please do not call the school office if you are unable to contact someone in the church office. The school cannot answer any questions regarding the church, its schedules or religious education. Thank you.

Altar Server Practice: The next Altar Server Practice for new and experienced servers will be held on Thursday, March 15th at 4:00 in the church.

Golden Jubilee Mass: Couples celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2018 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 3 at 2:15 PM. Pre-Registration is required. If you would like to register, please contact me at the office or by email at [ginamastrangelo@csey.org](mailto:ginamastrangelo@csey.org). The closing date to register for the Mass is Monday, May 14, 2018.

Saint Eugene School News: On-Line Registration for the 2018-2019 is open for all students in Pre-K 3, and Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. For more information please visit [www.steugene.education](http://www.steugene.education) and go to the admissions tab and follow the prompts. Registration is open. Please call the school office at 914-779-2956 for additional information.

Saint Eugene Penny Social: One of the highlights of the school is there annual Penny Social. The Penny Social this year with a Monopoly theme™ will be held on Friday, March 23, in the school gym. The doors will open at 6:30. The cost of this fun event is \$20.00 per person which includes food, soda, coffee & dessert. For more information or for reservations please call the school office at 914 779-2956.



Saint Patrick's Parade on McLean Avenue: We are so excited to announce that Saint Eugene School will be marching in the McLean Avenue Saint Patrick's Day parade on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. The parade starts at 1pm at Hyatt and McLean Avenues and ends at McLean Avenue and McCollum Place by Coyne Park. There will be free parking at Empire City Casino by using the Yonkers Avenue entrance for free shuttles to the parade route. McLean Avenue will be shut down the length of the parade route from 1am until 5pm. Please come and support our students and families as they march and show their school spirit.

Saint Vincent DePaul Society of Saint Eugene Parish: As we are now in the Lenten season, instead of giving up something, why not give to those in need. We have containers at three of the entrances to collect non-perishable items. The items we are in most need of are: pasta, rice, peanut butter, canned vegetables, tuna and cereal. Please think of those in need the next time you are out shopping. We are also in need of the cooking of chicken legs and thighs, which we collect on the last Thursday of the month. **"It is more blessed to give than to receive" Acts 20:35**

**May God Bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator**



*Father of Light, In You is found no shadow of change but only the fullness of life and limitless truth. Open our hearts to the voice of Your Word and free us from the original darkness that shadows our vision. Restore our sight that we may look upon Your Son who calls us to repentance and a change of heart, for He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.*

Beloved of God,

### The Hail Mary... Meditation 4

*“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 death. Amen.”*



In our meditation last week, the following was offered... At the Annunciation, Who was speaking? Was it *just* the angel Gabriel? Recall that... Pontius Pilate did not participate in the mocking of the Christ, and seemingly, did not instruct the soldiers to mock Him either. The soldiers took it upon themselves, based upon His crime – Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews – to treat Jesus in this manner. So the Boss, the Superior, the Ruler did not intend to participate in the “conversation” between the soldiers and the Christ. So, once again I ask, at the Annunciation, Who was speaking? Was it *just* the angel Gabriel? In one of our earlier meditations we learned, directly from the Sacred Scriptures, the answer.

*“In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God...”* (Luke 1:26)

One of the most significant words in this verse is “*sent*.” This verb presupposes the One who is sending and the one who is sent. It also implies a purpose... Why is the One sending the one who is sent? Verse 26 answers all these questions for us... God is the One Who is sending,

the angel Gabriel is the one who is being sent by God. We must see that the angel Gabriel did not decide on his own to God to Mary. God sent the angel. So, when the angel was speaking with the Blessed Virgin, the angel was speaking on behalf and for God.

So God said, through the Angel Gabriel, *“Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you.”* Think about the implications! The Creator is speaking to the created. The Author of Grace is speaking with She who is “Full of Grace.” The Lord of Lords is speaking with the one who is told *“The Lord is with you.”* As Adrienne Von Speyr wrote in her book, Handmaid of the Lord, “The angel comes to her. She sees him with her own eyes, in the form proper to him both in his essence and as an apparition. But her gaze does not stop at the angel; she sees, in him and behind him, the whole of heaven, straight up to God. For her (Mary) the angel is no indistinct supernatural phenomenon but an exact, precise figure which is at the same time the clear and definitive revelation of God Himself.” (pg. 27... emphasis) God, the Almighty One, is in conversation with She who is blessed among women.

Do you think this is the first time, the first conversation between God and the soon to be Mother of God? What does freedom from sin entail? Remember that Our Blessed Lady was conceived without Original Sin. Pope Pius IX proclaimed as a Dogma of the Church, which must be believed as a True Catholic... *“The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin.”* (Ineffible Deus, 1854, DS 2803) This most unique freedom from sin, afforded Mary the ongoing possibility of being in perfect union with God. When the angel said, *“The Lord is with you,”* we are being told that not only is the Lord God with Her, but She is with the Lord God. This conversation, of which we have been blessed to witness, is not the first, nor will it be the last between God and Mary. Recall the words of Our Blessed Lord in Luke’s Gospel... *“Pray always.”* (Luke 18:1)

God love you... Father Fernan