

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

MARCH 18, 2018 – THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



SATURDAY, MARCH 17	
5:00 PM	Elizabeth Reid (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo & Paul Henshaw</i>
SUNDAY, MARCH 18	
8:00 AM	Elvira Tarantino (decd) <i>req. by Giovanni Vairo & Family</i>
10:00 AM	Spencer Reames (living) Happy Birthday <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
12:00 PM	Danielle & Michael McDonald (lvg) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo & Paul Henshaw</i>
6:00 PM	Sabbatino J. Delango (decd) <i>req. by Teresa Ciccone</i>
MONDAY, MARCH 19	
6:45 AM	Nik Mrnacaj (decd) <i>req. by Vera Gojcaj</i>
9:00 AM	Joseph Bastone (decd) <i>req. by Rosetta Bastone</i>
TUESDAY, MARCH 20	
6:45 AM	Buena Ortilla (Living) <i>req. by Efren, Cora, Efrille, Mazette & Family</i>
9:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory <i>req. by Ita Yager</i>
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21	
6:45 AM	Joanne Ciccone (decd) <i>req. by Teresa Ciccone</i>
9:00 AM	Fabien Mathews (decd) <i>req. by Preetha Mathews</i>
THURSDAY, MARCH 22	
6:45 AM	In Thanksgiving <i>req. by Maghuyop Family</i>
9:00 AM	Maria & Victor Notaro (decd) Anniversary <i>req. by their daughter, Maria Iazurlo</i>
FRIDAY, MARCH 23	
6:45 AM	Ann & Tom Farrell (living) Happy Anniversary <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
9:00 AM	Frank Potenzo (decd) <i>req. by Dolores & Walter Sekinski</i>
9:30 AM	Stations of the Cross-if no funeral
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY MARCH 24	
9:00 AM	Naoku Reames (lvg) Happy Birthday <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>

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Jeremiah 31:31-34 I will make a new covenant and remember their sin no more,

Psalm 51 "Create a clean heart in me, O God."

Hebrews 5:7-9 Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation.

John 12:20-33 If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit.

In the First Reading, Jeremiah preaches the new covenant, when the law of the Lord is internalized and written upon the hearts of all who believe. With a new heart, we will have knowledge and obedience of God's will. John describes this knowledge and obedience in Jesus, who realizes that, like the grain of wheat, He must die to this world in order to produce much fruit. It is fitting then, to ask God in the responsorial psalm, "Create a clean heart in me...and a willing spirit sustain in me."

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 JON PHOENIX ALVES GANGOSO

REQ. BY PARENTS, JULIE & JOEMARIE GANGOSO

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

SPECIAL INTENTION FOR BABY ELIZABETH LASKI

REQ. BY GRANDMA & GRANDPA



BREAD AND WINE

IN MEMORY OF ELIZABETH REID

REQ. BY GINA MASTRANGELO & PAUL HENSHAW

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.

March 11	2018	2017
Weekly Collection.....	\$8360	\$8494
Catholic Relief Collection.....	\$1518	\$1499

"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.

"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.

CATHOLIC UNDERGROUND CENTRAL

Prayer, great music, silence, fellowship and an opportunity for Confession. Please join us at Annunciation-Our Lady Of Fatima Parish in Scarsdale! Please mark your calendar for upcoming dates this spring: April 14th and May 12th. Starts at 7:30pm and ends at 9:30pm Our Lady of Fatima Church, 5 Strathmore Road, Scarsdale. If you have any questions, contact Domenick Canale, 914-902-3255 or email, Domenick@thecatholicpulse.com.

SAINT EUGENE SENIORS

The Saint Eugene Seniors will meet on Wednesday, April 4th at 12:30pm in the Kindergarten room of the Church Office. For more information about the St. Eugene Seniors call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847.

ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Recitation of the Rosary at the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9AM weekday Masses.

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, Lorraine Fuoco and those recently called home to God especially, Constance Ricciardi. 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.

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. The 26th Anniversary Luncheon will be held on Thursday, April 19th 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 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.

ARCHDIOCESAN HYMN FESTIVAL

Join fellow choir members and cantors from around the tri-state area in discovering and singing the "hidden gems" of Catholic hymnody as well as beloved favorites. All voices are welcome at this exciting evening of music-making and fellowship!
Church of St. Joseph (Somers) on Monday, April 16, 7-8:30pm. Suggested donation: \$15 (participants keep all distributed music). For more information and registration: nyliturgy.org/workshops
Contact: liturgy@archny.org or 914-968-6200 x8177.

Dear Parishioners;

Feast of Saint Joseph: Monday, March 19th we celebrate the Foster Father of our Lord, Saint Joseph. *Prayer to Saint Joseph... O St. Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. O St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your Heavenly power I may offer my Thanksgiving and Homage to the most Loving of Fathers. O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me, and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my*



dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.

Reconciliation Monday: Save the Date.... Monday, March 26th in all of the churches in the Archdiocese of New York, confession will be available from 3-9 pm. All are welcome.

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal: The appeal for 2018 has begun. Envelopes are located in all of the plastic holders in each pew. As of this printing we have received \$23,762.00 towards our goal of \$96,000.00. Please pray and consider a gift that can be given over time. For more information please visit www.cardinalsappeal.org and as always, thank you.

Boy Scout Troop #25: Our Boy Scout Troop will be selling delicious treats at the 8:00, 10:00 and 12:00 masses this weekend. Please stop by and purchase a tasty treat and support our troop at the same time. Thank you.

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.

Palm Sunday: Palm Sunday is March 25th. We invite all the children on the Parish to join us at the 10:00 Mass on Palm Sunday to be part of the grand procession.

Easter Flowers: If you would like to memorialize a plant please send in your Easter Flower envelope by Monday, March 26th so that we can add it to the list.

Golden Jubilee Mass: Couples celebrating their 50th 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. 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 8th Grade. For more information please visit 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 TM will be held next Friday, March 23 in the school gym. **Reservations must be in no later than the morning of the 23rd.** 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 next Saturday, March 24th. 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.

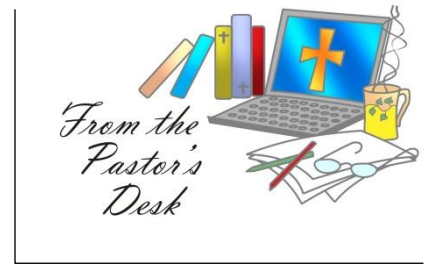
May God Bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator



Beloved of God,

The Hail Mary... Meditation 6

“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.”



Why was this woman, who was conceived without Sin, who was used to “walking about in the garden at the breezy time of the day...” conversing with the Lord in the privacy of Her own mind – “and Jesus’ mother kept all these things in Her heart” – why was She “greatly troubled” when the angel Gabriel greeted Her saying... ‘Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you?’ (Luke 1:28)

Was it fear? Was it terror? Was it fright? Was it distress? Was it anxiety? Was it panic? Was it alarm? Was the vision of an angel startling? Was the appearance of Gabriel unknown to Her? Why was She “greatly troubled?” We have seen in last week’s meditation that, in the Virgin Blessed, there was a re-creation of the Original Intention of Humanity... for God and man to walk in peace in the Garden. So we realize that our Holy Mother had a most unique relationship with the Divine... as Her Son would later say in His Priestly Prayer at the Last Supper... “I pray not only for them (the Apostles), but also for those who will believe in Me through their word, so that they may all be one, as You, Father, are in Me and I am in You, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.” (John 17:20-21) She was one

with God. If She was one with God, again, why was She “greatly troubled” when the angel Gabriel greeted Her saying... ‘Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you?’ What was so troubling?

When we hear the word “troubling,” we usually jump to one of the conclusions above... fear, anxiety, terror, fright, distress, panic or alarm. But this is not the case with the Virgin Blessed. None of the above apply. How can we know that? Let us examine Her own words spoken to Her cousin Elizabeth on the occasion of the Visitation... “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; My spirit rejoices in God my Savior. For He has looked upon His handmaid’s lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is His name.” (Luke 1:46-49... emphasis added) You may recall, that after the visit from the angel Gabriel, Our Lady went in haste to Her cousin Elizabeth who was with child... Saint John the Baptist. The infant in Elizabeth’s womb recognized and proclaimed the presence of the Infant Savior in Mary’s womb. And so the Virgin Blessed offered the words above which have been prayed to the present day as a part of Evening Prayer of the Clergy and Religious Orders of Sisters and Brothers... “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; My spirit rejoices in God my Savior. For He has looked upon His handmaid’s lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is His name.” Read again the words underlined. Do they in any way hint towards fear or trepidation? They, instead, are words of rejoicing, gladness and, most importantly, “lowliness” or humility.

Our soon to be Holy Mother was truly humble before Her Almighty God. These words at once troubled Her, because in Her great humility, She could not consider Herself being worthy of being visited by an angel nor being given the greeting or the title as spoke by Gabriel... “Hail, favored one!” She is perfectly humble.

God love you... Father Fernan