



Pope Saint Eugene I

# ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT EUGENE

“WHERE PETER IS,  
THERE IS THE CHURCH”

TUCKAHOE ROAD AND CENTRAL PARK AVENUE  
YONKERS, NEW YORK



## **Sacrament of Baptism**

Please call the Rectory to arrange for the Sacrament and parental instruction. Baptisms are possible on Saturday or Sunday.

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: 4:00-4:45pm and call the rectory anytime.

## **Sacraments for the Sick**

Please contact the Rectory for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Communion for the homebound.

## **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Please call the Rectory at least 6 months in advance. A marriage preparation program is required.

## **Adoration Chapel Mon. to Fri.**

Open from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

## **Choir Rehearsals**

Sunday Mornings Prior to Holy Mass.

## **Parish Membership**

Our parish invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every new parishioner is requested to register at the Parish Office. If you move to another parish, or change your address, please notify the Parish Office.

## **Served by**

**Rev. Matthew Fernan, *Pastor***

**Rev. Michael Morris,  
*Parochial & Weekend Assistant***

**Ms. Gina Mastrangelo  
*Parish Administrator***

**Deacon John Duffy**

***Weekend Associates*  
Mill Hill Missionaries**

## **Parish Office Hours**

Monday to Friday...9:30 AM to 3:30 PM

## **Parish & Religious Education Offices**

31 Massitoea Rd., Yonkers, NY 10710  
914-961-2590

## **Regional School**

707 Tuckahoe Rd., Yonkers, NY 10710  
914-779-2956

## **Email**

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## **Holy Mass Schedule**

### **Saturday Vigil for Sunday**

5:00 PM

### **Sunday**

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM Family Mass  
12:00 PM Choir Mass, 6:00 PM

### **Weekdays**

Mon-Fri... 6:45 AM & 9:00 AM  
Saturday... 9:00 AM

### **Holy Days of Obligation**

6:45, 9:00 AM, & 12:00 noon, 7:30 PM

### **First Friday Devotion**

Evening Mass at 7:30 PM the First Friday of Each Month, followed by Holy Hour and Confessions.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - NOVEMBER 29, 2015

# THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

NOVEMBER 29, 2015 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28	
5:00 PM	Vincent & Jennie Mazzei (decd) <i>req. by Laura Mazzei</i>
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29	
8:00 AM	John Trevorah (decd) <i>req. by Michael Mullee</i>
10:00 AM	Mary Segreti (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo and Paul Henshaw</i>
12:00 PM	Victor Miri (decd) <i>req. by Antoneta Tarazhi &amp; George Gjela</i>
6:00 PM	Ida Conte (decd) <i>req. by the Ahearn Family</i>
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30	
6:45 AM	Decd Members of Ahearn & Cocco Families <i>req. by the Ahearn Family</i>
9:00 AM	Gjoka Dedvukaj - Peace & Good Health <i>req. by Robert Dedvukaj</i>
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1	
6:45 AM	Decd Members of Conte & Mazzella Families <i>req. by the Ahearn Family</i>
9:00 AM	Eira Fatima
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2	
6:45 AM	Pasquale Conte (decd) <i>req. by the Ahearn Family</i>
9:00 AM	Helen & Cesar Tipawan Wedding Anniversary <i>req. by Helen Tipawan</i>
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3	
6:45 AM	Doda Camaj (decd) <i>req. by Antoneta Tarazhi</i>
9:00 AM	Willie Evers (decd) <i>req. by Gretta Evers</i>
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4	
6:45 AM	Helen Paulus (decd) <i>req. by Nancy Acciavatti</i>
9:00 AM	Rose Capra (decd) -8th Anniversary <i>req. by Charles Capra</i>
7:30 PM	Rose Capra (decd) -8th Anniversary <i>req. by Charles Capra</i>
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5	
9:00 AM	George Gjela - Good Health <i>req. by George Gjela</i>
5:00 PM	John Procaccino

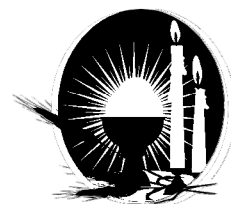
## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**Jeremiah 33: 14-16** I will raise up for David a just shoot.  
**Psalm 25** "To You, O Lord, I lift my soul."  
**1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2** May the Lord make you abound in love."  
**Luke 21:25-28, 34-36** Be vigilant at all times.

Our readings today are about signs: the just shoot raised up from David; the sun, the moon and stars; and even the earth. As we begin this new season of Advent, let us be attentive to the signs of God's movement in our own lives. How do we live so that we are not surprised by the coming of the Lord? Let us heed Paul and conduct ourselves in a way pleasing to God. The best way to get ready for the coming of the Lord is to act as if the Lord was already here.

## 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

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**  
**SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR NOAH**

## BREAD AND WINE

## FUND RAISER CLUB

CONGRATULATIONS - RICHARD COLONNA

## SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

Adoration Chapel	Natalie Philpin	793-4757
	Patricia Finan	961-0146
Altar Guild	Jennie Sepe	776-9847
Bereavement Group	Carolyn Walsh	961-8689
Boy Scouts	Donna Ragusa	472-7567
Religious Education	Parish Office	961-2590
C.Y.O.	Rob Pechin	(646)208-6385
Catholic Daughters	Rita DiPippo	793-3065
	Catherine Blanco	793-1539
Cheerleaders	Lori Fox	325-0333
Couples for Christ	Cesar Tipwan	343-0914
Girl Scouts	Jerilin Carota	968-5526
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
Organist & Adult Choir		
Parish Activities Committee	Parish Office	961-2590
Parish Council	Father Fernan	961-2590
Respect Life Society	Jackie Barton	793-9322
Serra Club	George Alessi	779-8719
Senior Club	Jennie Sepe	776-9847
St. Vincent DePaul	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:

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, the financial data was not available for publication. However, thank you for your continued generosity most especially during these difficult economic times.

"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."

## CATHOLIC CAMPAIGNING FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Thank you for your contributions to the Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! Your generous gifts will help CCHD end poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we help keep Catholic social teaching alive and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor...to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We are always looking for volunteers to cook chicken. If you are interested in helping, you can do so in many forms, by cooking, by making phone calls, by organizing, by using your computer skill etc. It only takes an hour or two of you time, once every two months. Also, We NEED MORE Packaged & Can foods to be put in our baskets. Please bring these foods with you to Mass and put them in the basket in the school corridor (boxes of pastas, cereals, rice, cans soups, assorted vegetables, etc.

## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The Catholic Daughters Court of St. Therese Little Flower will be

If you would like to welcome the statue of St. Therese into your home for a week, please contact Rita DiPippo at (914) 793-3065 or Catherine Blanco at (914) 793-1539.

## SENIOR TRIP

The Senior Trips Club meets the first Wednesday of each month at 1pm in the Kindergarten room in the Parish Office. The next meeting is December 2, 2015. Please call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847 during the winter months to find out if the meeting is canceled due to inclement weather.

## FIRST FRIDAY

Friday is the first Friday of the month. First Friday Mass Devotion is at 7:30PM in the Church.

## NEW HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Thank you to all those who filled out the Holy Mass Survey. There were a total of 167 surveys returned out of 800 printed. That's more than 20%. Recall what the options were...

- Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am... 52 votes
- Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm... 109 votes
- Sunday 5:00 pm... 77 votes
- Sunday 6:00 pm... 69 votes

So, based on your voting and looking at the surrounding parishes the new Sunday Holy Mass Schedule will be the following...

- Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm and
- Sunday 6:00pm

The reasons the Sunday Evening Holy Mass stayed the same were three...

1. The established schedule people are used to is 6:00 pm,
2. The two times were only 8 votes apart,
3. St. Bartholomew, Yonkers, already has a 5:00 pm and Sacred Heart, Hartsdale, has a 7:00 pm. Keeping St. Eugene's at 6:00 pm will be able to serve the greatest number of parishioners and other faithful.

Thank you for participating in this process. The Daily Holy Mass will remain the same. The Holy Day of Obligation Holy Mass Schedule is listed on the front of the bulletin.

The possibility of a Latin Mass/Mass of the Extraordinary Form on Sunday afternoons is being investigated.

The Mass Book will be opened following the First Sunday of Advent. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

God love you... Father Fernan

## ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel, located in the vestibule, is open daily Mon-Fri from 7am to 4pm. 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, James Gallagher, Fr. Smyth and Carmel Finnegan...and those recently called home to God.....Eternal rest grant unto them O, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen

It has been some time since the names on the list were updated. We have not stopped praying for the ill of the parish, but the rectory staff does not know if all the people on the list still need to be included. We ask you to please call the rectory if you wish to have yourself or a loved included on the list again.

*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 and David Daliso. 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.

Dear Parishioners:

**Advent:** This Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is a lovely spiritual season. With the beginning of the season of Advent, we begin a new liturgical year. The First Sunday of Advent is therefore the Church's "New Year's Day". In the Judeo-Christian tradition, Sunday begins at sundown of the day before when the faithful celebrate First Vespers. Advent begins the Christmas cycle. Advent comes from the Latin word for an "arrival" or a "coming". Advent means that the Lord is coming. Jesus Christ, our brother in our humanity and our God in His divinity is about to arrive. But He comes to us in different ways. First, Jesus came to us at a specific point in history at Bethlehem about 2000 years ago. But in the Church's great feast of Christmas He mystically comes again. Second, the Lord, Alpha and Omega, will come to judge the living and the dead in the Second Coming. Third, the Redeemer comes to us in grace. He speaks to us in our consciences; He comes to us in the Eucharist and in the Word of God proclaimed. He arrives in the person of the beggar, the needy, the suffering, and the oppressed. We must be ready to receive and welcome Him when He comes.

**Prayer for the Advent Wreath** O God by whose word all things are sanctified pour forth thy blessing upon this wreath and grant that we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ, and may receive from thee abundant graces, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**Holy Name Society:** The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a coat drive this weekend to support the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal in their efforts to assist impoverished families in Yonkers at the Casa Juan Diego Community Center. We are in need of coats, hats scarves and gloves that are new or lightly used for men, women and children. (If used please have the items cleaned) Also the Friars are in need of paper plates, napkins and coffee cans. The Friars use these items weekly as they provide coffee and food to the poor every week. The drop off location will be the church entrance on the school side. There will be tables' set-up for drop-off of your items. The time for drop off will be before and after the 5:00 mass and before and after all the masses on today with the exception of the 6:00 mass.

**Christmas Wreaths:** Our Saint Eugene Boy Scouts, Troop 25, will again be selling beautiful fresh hand decorated Christmas Wreaths before and after the 5:00 PM Mass on December 5<sup>th</sup> and before and after all the masses on December 6<sup>th</sup>, except the 6:00 PM Mass. Please support our troop and bring home a beautiful wreath to adorn your home or give as a gift. The cost is \$20.00 each.

**The Giving Tree:** The Legion of Mary is sponsoring the Giving Tree. Please take a bell from the tree and return the gift and place it under the tree by December 13. The gifts will be going to Mothers and babies at the Sienna House. Thank you and God bless you.

**Angelica Chamber Choir:** Next Sunday, December 6 at 3:00 PM, *Angelica*, women's Chamber Choir will be performing *Lessons in Carols* in our church. What a wonderful way to celebrate the Christmas Season. For more information; [www.angelicavoices.org](http://www.angelicavoices.org).



May God Bless you always  
Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

*We await the Savior*  
**EMMANUEL**

Beloved of God,

### First Sunday of Advent

*“On the first of each month you shall offer as a holocaust to the LORD two bullocks, one ram, and seven unblemished yearling lambs, with three tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil as the cereal offering for each bullock, two tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil as the cereal offering for the ram, and one tenth of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil as the cereal offering for each lamb, that the holocaust may be a sweet-smelling oblation to the LORD. Their libations shall be half a hin of wine for each bullock, a third of a hin for the ram, and a fourth of a hin for each lamb. This is the new moon holocaust for every new moon of the year. Moreover, one goat shall be sacrificed as a sin offering to the LORD. These are to be offered in addition to the established holocaust and its libation.”* (Numbers 28:11-15)



In all the Scriptures, Old or New Testament, there is only one verse that contains the words “new” and “year.” It is within the Book of Numbers, chapter 28, verse 14. Chapter 28 reveals a conversation between God and Moses where God is telling Moses how the people are to dedicate various days and weeks during the year to worship of the Almighty Who has freed them from slavery. The Oblations (you may recognize this word from our own recent translation of the Roman Missal. It means “the offering of a gift or sacrifice to a deity and the offering of bread and wine to God during the Christian service of Communion.”) are to be offered each Morning and Evening, on the Sabbath, at the New Moon, at Passover and at Pentecost. The Day is supposed to begin and end in showing reverence to God. The year is supposed to begin the same way with various days during the year (Passover and Pentecost) also being dedicated to the Almighty. The Jewish people did this by taking the very best fruits of their crops, labor or herds and sacrificing them to God. Giving the best of what you have, not leftovers or from your surplus, is what God intended as explained in the Passage of the *Widow’s Mite*... “(Jesus said) for those others have all made offerings from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has offered her whole livelihood.” (Luke 21:4)

This Advent Season is a new beginning offered to us each year by our Holy Mother, the Church. She, by listening to God’s revealed word in the Holy Scriptures and the teaching of Her Groom, Jesus the Christ, continues to echo through Her practices the intentions of God Father, Son and Holy Spirit... of having the people of God grow to see the importance of having God’s presence pervade their lives.

We too easily and too quickly compartmentalize God, restricting Him to an hour on Sunday, a Morning or Evening offering, Night prayers, or when we want something. Some of us even might say, “How much more does God want from me?” How about a comparison... How many hours do you dedicate to God during the week? – verses – How many hours do you *work*, do you *sleep*, do you *watch television*, do you *drink*, do you *eat*, do you *talk* with others, do you *read* the papers or books, how many hours are you on the *internet*?

As we enter this most holy Season of Advent, where we should be first preparing for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ in all His glory and then recalling Our Lord’s First Coming as the Infant Jesus who was born to die for us, let us make an effort to truly make God a greater part of our day and hopefully, the most important part of our lives on a daily basis.

God love you... Father Fernan