

# ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT EUGENE

“WHERE PETER IS,  
THERE IS THE CHURCH”

TUCKAHOE ROAD AND CENTRAL PARK AVENUE  
YONKERS, NEW YORK



Pope Saint Eugene I

## **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 at 11 AM

## **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***  
**Rev. Anthony Gyamerah,**  
***Parochial Assistant***

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

**Deacon John Duffy**

***Weekend Associates***  
**Mill Hill Fathers**

## **Parish Office Hours**

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

## **Parish & Religious Education Offices**

31 Massitola Rd., Yonkers, NY 10710  
(914) 961-2590, (914) 961-2779  
Fax – (914) 961-2881

## **Regional School**

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

## **Email**

[fatherfernan@csey.org](mailto:fatherfernan@csey.org)  
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## **Holy Mass Schedule**

### **Saturday Vigil for Sunday**

5:00 PM

### **Sunday**

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM

12:00 PM Choir Mass, 6 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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JANUARY 17, 2016

# THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

JANUARY 17, 2016 - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, JANUARY 16	
5:00 PM	The Ferguson Family <i>req. by Maura Ferguson</i>
SUNDAY, JANUARY 17	
8:00 AM	John Gibson (decd) <i>req. by John &amp; James Prato</i>
10:00 AM	Rita Ianni (decd) <i>req. by the Smith Family</i>
12:00 PM	Lena Miri-Intentions for Good Health <i>req. by Antoneta Tarazhi and George Gjelij</i>
6:00 PM	Sara & John Keenan (Ivg)
MONDAY, JANUARY 18	
6:45 AM	Maria Mastrangelo (decd) <i>req. by Mario Mastrangelo</i>
9:00 AM	Decd members of the Bucciero Fam. <i>req. by Amelia Magnotta</i>
TUESDAY, JANUARY 19	
6:45 AM	Thomas & Ilse Dwyer (decd) <i>req. by Catherine Dwyer</i>
9:00 AM	Bernard C. Mistal (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20	
6:45 AM	Elissa McAvlay (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
9:00 AM	Noel Briody (decd) <i>req. by Betty Madden</i>
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21	
6:45 AM	
9:00 AM	Bernard C. Mistal (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo</i>
FRIDAY, JANUARY 22	
6:45 AM	Elissa McAvlay (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo</i>
9:00 AM	Annie Teresa Mulhern & Patrick Mulhern (decd) <i>req. by Eileen O'Sullivan</i>
SATURDAY, JANUARY 23	
9:00 AM	James Cunningham (decd) <i>req. by Rosalinda Dombish</i>
5:00 PM	Josephine Iazzetti (decd) <i>req. by Gina &amp; Ernie Diaz</i>

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Isaiah 62:1-5** All shall behold your vindication.

**Psalms 96** "Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations."

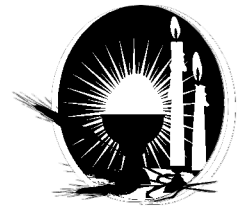
**1 Corinthians 12:4-11** The Spirit distributes gifts to each person.

**John 2:1-11** Jesus transforms water into wine.

Even though the Christmas season is over, our Psalm refrain urges us to continue to proclaim God's marvelous deeds. Indeed, Isaiah in the First Reading is addressing Israel upon their return home from exile, and he cannot keep silent about Israel's vindication. Likewise, at his mother's urging, Jesus cannot keep from performing the first of his signs and so revealing his glory. Saint Paul tells us there are many gifts in the Spirit. With which one shall you proclaim God's marvelous deeds?

## 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

**GEORGE BRUCE**

### BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

### BREAD AND WINE

## 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.	Joan DeLuca	497-9798
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	Jerry Celestino	961-2590
Parish Activities Committee	Father Fernan	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:

#### January 10

Weekly Collection.....\$8,894  
Communications/Catholic University.....\$1,124

"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

As we are in the spirit of giving let us remember how fortunate we are and to pray and remember those who are struggling just to put food on their table. *The Sharing Community of Yonkers needs our help.* We are in need of volunteers to cook chicken (legs and thighs). We collect them on the last Thursday of each month. If you are available for cooking but cannot deliver them to us on designated Thursday, please contact either Walter Whitmore @ 914-779-1826 or email David Fabi @ [hotfabi@optonline.net](mailto:hotfabi@optonline.net). Also we are continuing to collect canned food, pasta, rice and cereals, please place them in the bins located at the entrances of the Church.

"Only, they asked us to remember the poor, the very thing I was eager to do." Galatians 2:10

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Please contact Rita DiPippo at (914) 793-3065 or Catherine Blanco at (914) 793-1539 to learn more about the Catholic Daughters. All women of the parish are welcome.

### ST EUGENE SENIORS

Please join us September 15, 2016 at Westchester Broadway Theater for Saturday Night Fever. The cost (\$55.00pp) includes lunch and the show. We have great seats. We meet the first Wednesday of the month in the Kindergarten room in the Parish office. Our next meeting is February 3rd. New members are welcome. Please call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847 for more information or if there is inclement weather.

### BEREAVEMENT GROUP

St. Eugene's Bereavement Group on every third Thursday of the month at 1:00PM in the Parish Office. Our next meeting is January 21st. Through caring support, we hope to lessen the pain and confusion brought on by the death of a loved one.

### ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Recitation of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9AM weekday Masses. Please join us.

### SAINT EUGENE SCHOOL

#### OPEN HOUSE & TOURING TUESDAY

The Catholic School Region of Central Westchester invites you to experience Saint Eugene School by visiting on a Touring Tuesday from 9:00-11:00am or by appointment (January 12, February 2 & 23, March 8, April 12). To RSVP or for more information please call (646) 794-2885 or visit [www.buildboldfutures.org](http://www.buildboldfutures.org).

### LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary would like you to join us. We meet every Tuesday morning immediately after 9AM Mass or Tuesday evening at 7:00PM. For more information please contact Josephine Bitteti at (914) 337-1372.

### ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel, located in the vestibule, is open daily Mon-Fri from 7am 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, Gladys Armitage, Michael Tomanelli, Tom Tucker, Elise Gelpi and those recently called home to God.....especially Marie Castry, Candida Maio and Deirdre Yapchanyk.....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 one 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, David Daliso and Logan Wilson. 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

### EVENTS IN OUR AREA

**Saint Joseph's Medical Center:** The Pastoral Care Dept. at St. Joseph's Nursing Home is looking for volunteers to help transport their Nursing Home Residents to and from Sunday Mass in the chapel within the facility. If you are able to spend an hour and a half 9:15 to 10:45AM one or more Sundays each month to help, please contact Sr. Ellen O'Connor at (914) 378-7648.

**Eucharistic Vigil:** There will be a Eucharistic Vigil for the Holiness of Priests and Holy Vocations around the world Friday, January 22, 2016 from 8pm-7am at our Lady of Shkodra Church. They are located at 361 West Hartsdale Ave, Hartsdale, NY 10530. For more information please call (914) 761-3523.

Dear Parishioners:

Incident 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, please watch news 12, or News12 online.



March for Life: This year's March for Life in Washington DC will be this



Friday, January 22, 2016. *Our Lady of Guadalupe, we turn to you who are the protectress of unborn children and ask that you intercede for us, so that we may more firmly resolve to join you in protecting all human life. Let our prayers be united to your perpetual motherly intercession on behalf of those whose lives are threatened, be they in the womb of their mother, on the bed of infirmity, or in the latter years of their life. May our prayers also be coupled with peaceful action which witnesses to the goodness and dignity of all human life, so that our firmness of purpose may give courage to those who are fearful and bring light to those who are blinded by sin. Encourage those who are involved in the March for Life; help them to walk closely with God and to give voice to the cry of the oppressed, in order to remind our nation of its commitment to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness for all people. O Virgin Mother of God, present our petitions to your Son and ask Him to bless us with abundant life. Amen.*

Collection for Birthright: In conjunction with the 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Roe vs Wade, we will be collecting baby items to send to Birthright of Peekskill NY. Items needed are **new** blankets, onesies, bibs, t-shirts and diapers. All these items should be for newborn babies only. We will start the collection next week and will continue through January 31<sup>st</sup>. Please place them in the baby bassinet located in the church.

Flu Season : During the winter season if you are not feeling well or see someone ill next to you, please wave or nod during the sign of peace. Not transferring germs is the nicest thing we can do for each other.

Feeding Our Neighbors: This initiative is an Archdiocesan Wide Drive to replenish Food Pantries in our local areas. The Food Drive will be held from Sunday, January 24 through Sunday January 31. Please deposit all food items in the box marked Feed Our Neighbors. We will be distributing all the food that we collect to our own local people in need. Please be generous as we remember those who are in need of a warm meal. For more information on this please go to [www.catholiccharities.org/feedingourneighbors](http://www.catholiccharities.org/feedingourneighbors).

World Marriage Day: The Archdiocese is looking for the longest married couples in the archdiocese. If you have been married for more than sixty-five years, and would like to enter, please send your entries to the Family Life Respect Office, 1011 First Avenue, New York, NY 10022, or call Izabella Nagle at 646-794-3190. The deadline is Friday, January 22, 2016.

Catholic School Week: National Catholic School week begins on Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> and continues through February 6<sup>th</sup>. The children of our school will be attending mass on Sunday, January 31 at 10:00 am. The theme of this year's Catholic School Week is Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service.



Appalachia Habitat for Humanity: This summer parishioner and graduate of Saint Eugene School, *Michael Smith*, a sophomore at Fordham Prep will travel to Scott County, Tennessee to participate in Appalachia Habitat for Humanity. The students will be assisting in the construction of three new homes. Fordham Prep is looking for donations to assist in this endeavor. If you are interested in making a donation, you can make a donation online at <https://fordhamprep.org/servicestrips> and please mark it on behalf of *Michael Smith*, or send the check to the rectory made payable to Fordham Prep, and send it to my attention, and I will forward them to Fordham. Thank you, and may God bless all those who are participating in this wonderful service project

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

Beloved of God,

**Raffles to the left of me... Raffles to the right of me.**

Upon arriving in August, and then when the Archdiocesan Audit was in full swing, the topic of the Raffles at Saint Eugene were brought to the fore. You may recall that there were three raffles here during the year... 1. The Spring Raffle,

2. The Christmas Raffle, and
3. The Fundraiser Club.



**The Fundraiser Club**... There is a formula that makes this a successful means of raising money for the parish of a necessary number of participants multiplied by the cost of the tickets. The cost of tickets for the past year was \$26. In order for the parish have broken even or made some money, there would have to have been no less than 300 participants or tickets in the pot to be available for the weekly pull. Because there less than 190 participants, the parish was operating this at a loss from the outset. Also, because all participants acted in good faith, we had to continue the raffle to its completion with the grand winners pulled before Christmas. All the winners have been notified. However, because the number of participants was so dramatically low, this *wasn't a fundraiser* at all for the parish. The Fundraiser Club cost the parish \$4,864. Because of this loss, the parish will no longer have the Fundraiser Club at this time. Other means of fundraising, most especially cost cutting, are being investigated.

**The Spring Raffle and the Christmas Raffle**... These two fundraisers were run by the same raffle manager for the last eight years. The process was he would send out envelopes that had a letter of explanation and raffle tickets to a mailing list we provided. He would come to the offices on a weekly basis and personally open all envelopes the parish received. Based on the totals from those envelopes for that week, a check would be immediately written to him personally. The raffle manager would make 30% of all monies left after winnings were paid out and expenses. Of all your donations for tickets sold, the parish would typically make 50% of the total collected. So this was a fundraiser for the parish. There were, however, a number of other issues - complications.

It took Ms Mastrangelo and I a bit of digging. We first started by “googling” the corporation which was listed on the papers in the “raffle file.” There was no record of any such corporation. We and the Archdiocesan Auditors were not only wondering why checks were being written to raffle manager instead of the raffle corporation but officially recommended that all ties be served with him.

Further, just as New York State has gaming rules with necessary permits that must be issued at a fee, because we are residents of Yonkers, and Yonkers has the Empire Casino at Yonkers Raceway, Yonkers has its own gaming rules as well. Ms Mastrangelo found all the gaming rules and regulations on line, which are quite extensive with the associated fees for any and all fundraisers. After we read them (and they governed all three raffles here at Saint Eugene), I called the raffle manager back, leaving him a message requesting his Certificate of Incorporation and wanting to know if he was registered with the Yonkers Gaming Association. Two days after my phone call, the raffle manager called me back to let me know, “I’m getting old, so I’ve decided to retire... after all Yonkers would go back all eight years.” Does anything else need to be said?

Ms Mastrangelo and I will be looking into other fundraisers for the parish, but the parish first and foremost is supported by you, her parishioners. Thank you for your generosity.

God love you... Father Fernan