

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

APRIL 10, 2016 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



SATURDAY, APRIL 9	
5:00 PM	John Iazzetti (decd) <i>req. by Gina and Ernie Diaz</i>
SUNDAY, APRIL 10	
8:00 AM	Luigi Dedvukaj (living) – For Peace, Inner Guidance and Health <i>req. by Mom</i>
10:00 AM	Living & deceased members of the Holy Name Society <i>req. by the Holy Name Society</i>
12:00 PM	Gina Mastrangelo (Ivg)-Special Int. <i>req. by Fr. Fernan</i>
6:00 PM	Emily Giangrasso (decd) <i>req. by The Henze Family</i>
MONDAY, APRIL 11	
6:45 AM	Lenny Ackley (decd) <i>req. by Betty Madden</i>
9:00 AM	Carmel, Dora, Tom & Anthony Palmieri (decd) <i>req. by Carmella</i>
TUESDAY, APRIL 12	
6:45 AM	Yolanda Davis (living) <i>req. by Yolanda Davis</i>
9:00 AM	Luigi Dedvukaj (living) – For Peace, Inner Guidance and Health <i>req. by Mom</i>
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13	
6:45 AM	James Walsh, Caroline Lobozzo, and Julia Walsh (decd) <i>req. by Carolyn Walsh</i>
9:00 AM	Mariam McNamara (decd) <i>req. by Eugene & Ann Fernan</i>
THURSDAY, APRIL 14	
6:45 AM	Nicanor Pangilinan (decd) <i>req. by Lutzie Yangco</i>
9:00 AM	Ann Guerin (decd) <i>req. by Tom Guerin</i>
FRIDAY, APRIL 15	
6:45 AM	Marco Davis (living) <i>req. by Yolanda Davis</i>
9:00 AM	Paolo LaRocco (decd) <i>req. by Isa Pepe</i>
SATURDAY, APRIL 16	
9:00 AM	Raymond Henshaw Jr. (decd) <i>req. by St. Eugene Parish</i>
5:00 PM	Esther Napolitano (decd) <i>req. by Gloria & Paul Battista & Fam.</i>

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-31 The apostles openly give witness to the power of Jesus' name.

Psalm 30 "I will praise You, Lord, for You have rescued me."

Revelation 5:11-14 John declares the glory of Jesus, the Lamb of God.

John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14 The risen Christ welcomes his own at the seashore.

In today's Gospel Jesus appears to the apostles after his Resurrection, and even prepares a meal for them. As we listen to these Holy Scriptures about the life of the early church, let us reflect on the many ways Christ comes to us and feeds us in our own lives. How does Christ's presence sustain us and give us strength to proclaim the Good News to those around us?

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

GINA MASTRANGELO – SPECIAL INTENTION
REQ. BY ANDREA & JOAN

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

IN MEMORY OF EVELYN & RALPH AURIEMMO
REQ. BY JOSEPHINE & AMADIO MAGGIO

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:

March 27

Weekly Collection..... \$8,903
Easter Collection..... \$21,536

April 3

Weekly Collection..... \$10,027

"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

With spring here please let us remember all those who are in need of a warm meal and food on the table. There are many who are struggling in our own church community. 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."

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Save the date. The 3rd annual Catholic Daughters court of St. Therese Little Flower Mother/Daughter Communion breakfast is Sunday, 4/24/16 following the 10am Mass. For more information call Rita DiPippo at (914) 793-3065 or Catherine Blanco at (914) 793-1539.

ST EUGENE SENIORS

We have two events coming up. We are going to the Sands Casino Tuesday, April 26th. The cost is \$42 which includes transportation, \$30 for slots, \$5 for food & \$2 driver gratuity. There is time to book seats for Saturday Night Fever at Westchester Broadway dinner on September 15, 2016. The cost is \$55. Our next meeting is May 4th. 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 meets the 3rd Thursday each month. Our next meeting is April 21st at 1pm. 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.

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 (April 12). To RSVP or for more information call (646) 794-2885 or visit www.buildboldfutures.org.

LEGION OF MARY

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, Andrew Moraitis, Michael Tomanelli, Elise Gelpi, Eugene Fernan, Liam Frawley, Angelo Bavaro, Deborah Mahon, Vincenzo Tramontozzi, Ralph Grillo, John Hopkin, Joseph Kelly, Bill Hyland, Anna Lisa Miranda and those recently called home to God especially Patricia Iovanella Gallo.....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 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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Experience Mass with Seminarians on Sunday April 24th at noon at St. Joseph's Seminary, located at 201 Seminary Ave, Yonkers, NY 10704. Your \$17 donation will help seminarians with their expenses. Please mail donation to Cardinal Hayes Council, P.O. Box 503, Yonkers, NY 10710 by April 10th for a reservation. For more information call (914) 709-5090 or email kofc3995@gmail.com.

FAMILY LIFE RESPECT LIFE OFFICE

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2016 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Saturday, June 25th at 1:30PM or Sunday, June 26th at 2:00PM. Pre-registration is required. Please contact, Parish Administrator, *Gina Mastrangelo* at (914) 961-2590 to register. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 24th, 2016.** This event is sponsored by the Family Life Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

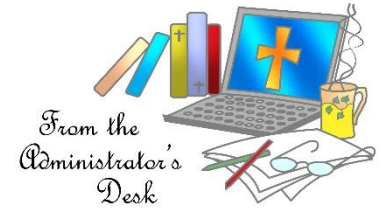
EVENTS IN THE AREA

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.

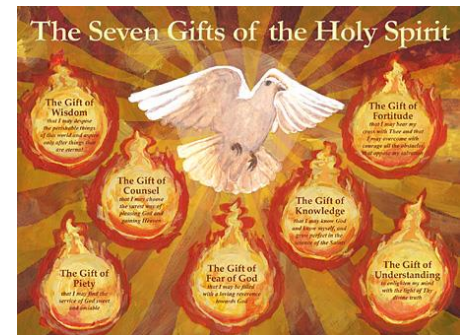
St. Paul The Apostle Parish: Jumbo Flea Market at St. Paul The Apostle Parish on Saturday, April 16th from 10:00AM-4:00PM. Located at 602 McLean Ave, Yonkers. Parking is available behind the church on Lee Ave. For information or to register space as a vendor please call (914) 965-9333.

Dear Parishioners:

- The Cardinal's Appeal: The Cardinal Appeal is progressing. The goal for our parish is \$95,500.00. Your gift to the Appeal helps to fund many Charities to the people in our archdiocese and throughout the world. To date our parish has received \$54,996.00 in pledges and gifts towards the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal from 199 families. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and as always, thank you!



- Confirmation: Our confirmation candidates will be receiving the *Sacrament of Confirmation* next Sunday, April 17th at 3:00 PM. *Bishop Gerald T. Walsh* will be officiating. Please join us in praying for our Confirmandi, their parents and sponsors. We are very proud of our students in the school and religious education who have been preparing for this important sacrament. We thank our Priests and their teachers. *Confirmation Practice*, the confirmation candidates will have a practice on Thursday, April 14th at 7:00 PM in the church. *The sponsors do not need to attend.* Attendance for the Confirmation Candidates is mandatory.



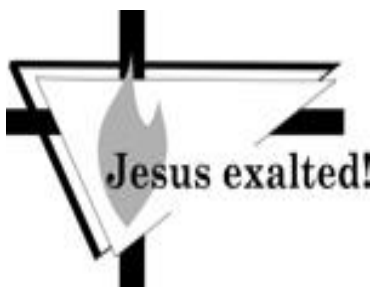
- Wedding Jubilees: Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2016 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, Saturday, June 25th at 1:30 pm or Sunday June 26th at 2:00 pm. ***Pre-registration is mandatory. If you are interested in participating in either of the Masses please contact me at 961-2590.*** The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 24th. The event is sponsored by the Family Life, Respect Life office of the Archdiocese of New York.

- Mother's Day Cards: Mother's Day cards and offering envelopes are available in the back of the church for all to give their mothers (living or deceased) a special remembrance on Mother's Day. Please return your intentions in the collection or to the church office by May 6th in order to be included on the altar at all of the Masses on Mother's Day.

- Save the Date: Mother Daughter Communion Breakfast sponsored by the Court of St. Therese Catholic Daughters'. The event will take place on Sunday, April 24th in the Parish Center (Gym) after the 10AM Mass. All Mothers and Daughters of the Parish are welcome. \$10.00 per person, by reservation only, no walk-ins. For reservations, please call Rita DiPippo at 793-3065 or Catherine Blanco at (914) 793-1539.



For Faith in the Risen Lord



Father, in Your love You have brought me from evil to good and from misery to happiness. Through Your blessings give me the help I need to continue in virtue. Make my faith strong and my hope sure. May I never doubt that You will fulfill the promises You have made. May I who am redeemed by the suffering and death of Christ always rejoice in His Resurrection. As I honor His glorious Resurrection renew Your gift of Divine life within me. *From the treasury of Novenas.*

Beloved of God,

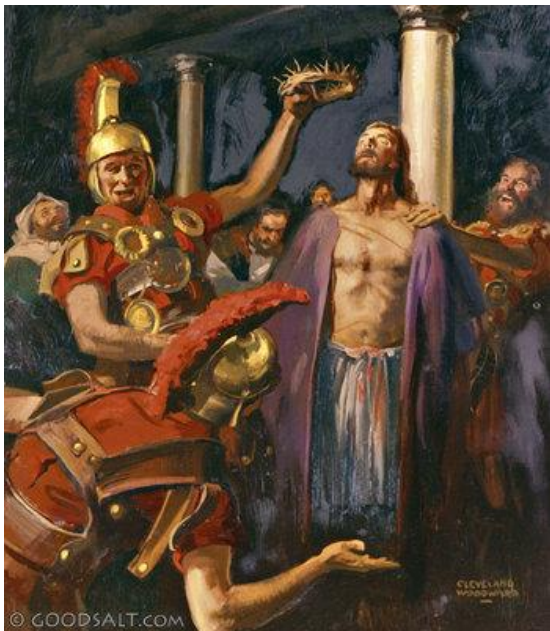
“The Rubrics of bowing and genuflecting during the Holy Mass.”

“So why are we genuflecting to the Tabernacle only at the beginning and the end? Why are we bowing to the Altar during the Holy Mass? Why does the priest celebrant normally genuflect only three times during the Holy Mass? Why don't we genuflect every time we pass the Tabernacle? Why are we bowing every time we pass the Altar? Why don't the Altar Servers bow with the Cross and Candles?”



Before we get into the questions from above that we originally wrote about before Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday, I would like to ask a question...

“Who was the first to genuflect before Jesus?”



“Pilate said to them (the crowd), “Why? What evil has He (Jesus) done?” They only shouted the louder, “Crucify Him.” So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas to them and, after he had Jesus scourged, handed Him over to be crucified. The soldiers led Him away inside the palace, that is, the praetorium, and assembled the whole cohort. They clothed Him in purple and, weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on Him. They began to salute Him with, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and kept striking His head with a reed and spitting upon Him. **They knelt before Him in homage.** And when they had mocked Him, they stripped Him of the purple cloak, dressed Him in His own clothes, and led Him out to crucify Him.” (Mark 15:14-20) So the Soldiers, who were responsible for the scourging, were the first to kneel before Jesus. Of course, they were doing it as they mocked, struck and spat upon Our Blessed Lord. They scene we picture of Jesus and kneeling before Him is very different then when we approach the altar and kneel or genuflect before the

Presence of Jesus, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, in the Blessed Sacrament/the Holy Eucharist.

In adoration we come before the Lord. Worshipping we approach the Holy Sanctuary. With a humble heart, acknowledging our sinfulness we bow before Our Divine Savior. How the action of the “first genuflection” before Jesus has change... from the derision of the soldiers to the adoration of the faithful.

So then, since Jesus is present in the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the Tabernacle, why don't we genuflect or at least bow every time we pass before the Tabernacle? The questions we should be asking ourselves are, “What is actually happening during the Holy Mass?” “Is the Holy Mass just a reenactment of the Original Last Supper as many Christian Faiths believe?” “Is the Holy Mass just a symbolic representation of Christ's sacrifice on the Holy Cross?”

Recall when I spoke about eternal vs. everlasting. Open your hearts to the reality of “What has happened?” vs. “What is happening?” More to come.

God love you... Father Fernan