

# THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

MAY 14, 2017 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



	<b>SATURDAY, MAY 13</b>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Rose Perer (decd) <i>req. by Richard Doyle</i>
	<b>SUNDAY, MAY 14</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	Angela Dolan (decd) <i>req. by Thomas Dolan</i>
<b>10:00 AM</b>	Eira Fatima Maghuyop (decd)
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>6:00 PM</b>	Adele Zuccaro (decd) <i>req. by Richard Zuccaro</i>
	<b>MONDAY, MAY 15</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Edward Power (decd) <i>req. by Eileen Power</i>
	<b>TUESDAY, MAY 16</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Carmel Finnegan (decd) <i>req. by Frank &amp; Jackie Finnegan</i>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
	<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 17</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Bill Hartigan (decd)
	<b>THURSDAY, MAY 18</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Edmond Laprade (decd) <i>req. by the St. Eugene 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Religion Class</i>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
	<b>FRIDAY, MAY 19</b>
<b>6:45 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Julia & Argavino Toriello (decd) <i>req. by Eugene Toriello</i>
	<b>SATURDAY, MAY 20</b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Mothers Day Novena
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Sal Bellitto & Family (decd) <i>req. by Dolores Bellitto</i>



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Acts 6: 1-7** They chose Stephen.

**Psalm 33** "Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in You."

**1 Peter 2:4-9** "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."

**John 14:1-12** I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Our Gospels for the next few weeks are taken from Jesus' "farewell discourse" at the Last Supper in John's Gospel. Today Jesus reassures Thomas, Philip and us, who don't understand where Jesus is going, much less how to follow Him there. All we have to do is focus on knowing and believing in Him, and we will find the way. It will not be easy to do, but that is why we have our community with us, to help us. See how the early church community sorted out a big issue in today's First Reading? We can do the same. Let us listen and learn how.

## 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

**SPECIAL INTENTION FOR FR. FERNAN**

*REQ. BY THE ST. EUGENE STAFF*

### BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

**IN MEMORY OF ELSA MONTERO**

*REQ. BY ANNA SERRAO*



### BREAD AND WINE

**SPECIAL INTENTION FOR FR. FERNAN**

*REQ. BY THE ST. EUGENE STAFF*

## 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
Couples for Christ	Dino Paolo Waga	917-882-2995
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 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:

**May 7 2017 2016**  
Weekly Collection.....\$10,533 \$10,160

"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."

## MAY IS DEVOTED TO MARY, OUR BLESSED MOTHER

The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady, and is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven". During this month Christians both in church & in the privacy of the home offer to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayers and veneration. In this month the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance.

PRAY THE ROSARY

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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. *The recipe for the chicken legs and thighs is as follows:* Wash and clean chicken, season, place chicken in large tray, add ½ cup water. Bake at 375 degrees skin side down for 45 minutes, turn chicken over, season and bake skin side up for an additional 45 minutes. When the chicken is done sprinkle with paprika.

*Please drain all juices and transport the chicken in Ziploc bags. 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."*

## 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.

## ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Recitation of the Rosary and 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.

## LEGION OF MARY

We meet every Tuesday morning immediately after 9AM Mass or Tuesday evening at 7:00PM. For more information please contact Josephine Bitetti at (914) 337-1372.

## HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

*John 19:26-27 - When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, He said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.*

On behalf of the Priests, Parish Administrator, and Staff, we would like to extend our blessings to all the Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers and all who will be celebrating Mother's Day this weekend.

## SAINT EUGENE SENIORS

Saint Eugene Seniors next meeting will be Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1:30pm at Pastina's in Hartsdale. We have a trip planned for October 5<sup>th</sup> to see Annie Get Your Gun at the Westchester Broadway Theater, the cost is \$55. For more information about the St. Eugene Seniors call Jennie Sepe at (914) 776-9847.

## 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, Julia Duffy, 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, Lucille Mallon, Ann McMahan, Anthony Battista, Andrea Dworken, Anthony McCauley, Mary Sweeney, John Sweeney, Joseph A. Collins, Francis Bowen, Geraldine Gluck, Albert Casico, Analiza Miranda, Charlie Saumell, Leonor Abanilla, Phillip Armstrong Sr. and those recently called home to God especially, Dorothy (Dot) Gray, Fr. Tom Champigny and Gary Corbett. 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

Jannelle Amador, Jose Luis Petrovich, Matthew Valentinetti, Brian Mulhern, John Kollinger, Kevin Brodeur, David Daliso, Logan Wilson, Matthew Fishwick and Kevin Jones. 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.

## AREA EVENTS

**The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers** have meetings on the third Thursday of each month. They meet at St. Ann's Church, Fr. Anthony Hall, 31 College Pl, Yonkers, NY. The next meeting is Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 1PM. New members welcome. For more information, call (914) 423-5331.

**Mount Hope Cemetery** is having a Memorial Mass on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:30PM for all loved ones laid to rest at Mount Hope. Mount Hope Cemetery is located at the intersection of Saw Mill River Rd and Jackson Ave, Hastings-On-Hudson, NY.

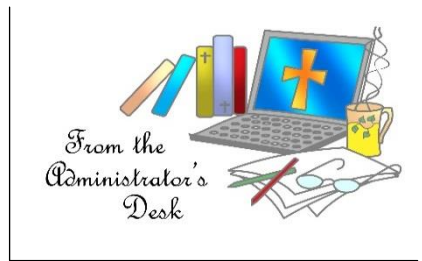
**The Serra Club of the Bronx & Westchester** is having a luncheon meeting Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 12 Noon at Eastwood Manor, 3371 Eastchester Rd, Bronx, NY. The cost for the luncheon is \$30. To make a reservation by May 22<sup>nd</sup> call (718) 671-8915.

Dear Parishioners:

- **Happy Mother's Day:** I would like to wish all of our Mothers,



Grandmothers, Godmothers, a Blessed Day Mother's Day. *God, Our Creator, we pray; for new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility; for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting; for those who are tired, stressed or depressed; for all mothers who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family; for those who are unable to feed their children due to poverty; for those whose children have physical, mental or emotional disabilities; for those who have children they do not want; for those who raise children on their own; for those who have lost a child; for those who care for the children of others; for those whose children have left home; and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled. Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender, and living not for themselves alone, but that they may lead their children to know what is good, living not for themselves alone, but for God and for others. Amen.*



- **Legion of Mary:** Recitation of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9AM weekday Masses. We will pray the Rosary weekly on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm from May through October. Please join us near the outdoor statue of Our Lady as we honor the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima.
- **Bereavement Support Group:** Saint Augustine Church will be conducting a bereavement group every Monday from April 24th -June 19th from 1:30-3:30. The meetings will take place in the rectory, 18 Cherry Street, Larchmont NY. The sessions will be facilitated by Sr. Muriel Cooney, O.P. and Chaplain Rosemary Parandelis. For more information please contact Sr. Muriel at 914 934-1220 ext. 23 or email [srmuriel@staugustineny.org](mailto:srmuriel@staugustineny.org).
- **Renew & Rebuild:** We thank all those who have made their pledge, and ask those who have not yet to please consider a gift to our parish. Every dollar will make an impact on our campaign. Your generosity will help us to make necessary improvements to our facilities which include; replace the aging roof on the church and school, replace the air condition in the church, repave the upper school parking lot, remove and replace the original boiler in the church offices, as well as other projects. Thank you for the consideration.
- **Crowning of Mary, our Blessed Mother:** Last weekend we crowned the Statue of our Blessed Mother at the 10 am Mass, The history of the crowning is as follows: Mary the Crown of Creation in the Marian Year, 1987, The Holy See (Congregation for Divine Worship) issued a ritual for honoring Images of Mary, Order of Crowning an Image of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It describes the honor of crowning as follows: The queen symbol was attributed to Mary because she was a perfect follower of Christ, who is absolute "crown of creation". She is the Mother of the Son of God, who is the messianic King. Mary is the Mother of Christ, The Word Incarnate... "He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High; the Lord will give him the throne of His father David; and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of His Kingdom there will be no end."(Lk 1:32-33). Elizabeth greeted the Blessed Virgin pregnant with Jesus, as "the mother of my Lord" (Lk 1:41-43) Mary is the perfect follower of Christ. The maid of Nazareth consented to God's Word and kept it in her heart; she remained steadfastly in close union with her Son, All the way to the foot of the Cross; she persevered in prayer with the Church. Thus, in an eminent way she won the "crown of righteousness" (II Tim4:8), "the crown of life" (Jas 1) from the USCCB. *If you have a statue of Mary at home, why not place a crown or flowers on her head to honor her as not only the Mother of Christ but our Mother as well.*



**May is the month of Mary Our Blessed Mother....**

*To Follow Mary's Example*

Lord Jesus Christ, help me follow the example of Mary, always ready to do your will. At the message of an Angel she welcomed You, God's Son, and filled with the light of Your Spirit, she became Your temple. Through her prayers for me, take away my weakness and make the offering of my life with You in the holy Sacrifice of the Mass pleasing to You and the Father. May I rejoice in the gift of Your grace and be united with You and Mary in glory.

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

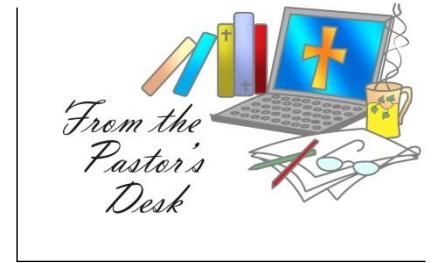


Beloved of God,

## **Eucharist Heart of Jesus Litany – Part 6B**

“Heart of Jesus in the Eucharist, sweet companion of our exile, I adore You.”

Two weeks ago I listed the appropriate passages from the *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) regarding the miracle of The Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. For the next few weeks the first passage is the following...



**1373** “Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us,” is present in many ways to His Church:<sup>197</sup> in His word, in His Church’s prayer, “where two or three are gathered in My name,”<sup>198</sup> in the poor, the sick, and the imprisoned,<sup>199</sup> in the sacraments of which He is the author, in the sacrifice of the Mass, and in the person of the minister. But “He is present . . . most especially in the Eucharistic species.”<sup>200</sup>

“In Rome, in the year 93, (Flavius) Josephus published his lengthy history of the Jews. While discussing the period in the Jews of Judaea were governed by the Roman procurator Pontius Pilate, Josephus included the following account:

“About this time there lived Jesus, a wise man, in indeed one ought to call him a man. For he was on who performed surprising deeds and was a teacher of such people as accept the truth gladly. He won over many Jews and many of the Greeks. He was the Messiah. And when, upon the accusation of the principal men among us, Pilate had condemned him to a cross, those who had first come to love him did not cease, He appeared to them spending a third day restored to life, for the prophets of God had foretold these things and a thousand other marvels about him. And the tribe of the Christians, so called after him, has still to this day not disappeared.” Jewish Antiquities, 93 A.D., 18.3.3@63 [www.josephus.org/testimonium.htm](http://www.josephus.org/testimonium.htm)

One of the criticisms of the Bible, and especially the Gospels, is that supposedly the Catholic Church relies on one Gospel to prove the other Gospels that Jesus the Carpenter of Nazarene truly did exist. There is a basic scientific principle that you cannot use a thing to prove that thing. For example, “you know it is cold when it is cold.” A more accurate proof of cold would be, “you know it is cold when the temperature dips below 45degrees Fahrenheit.” So if the Church held to the proof of the Gospels is the Gospels, Her argument would be weak and easily dismissed. Therefore, having an outside source, and independent author, as Flavius Josephus supporting many statements of the Gospels, validates many points of the Catholic Churches and so many Christian churches beliefs. For your information, Flavius Joseph was not the only outside source writing about Jesus. There was also Tacitus (64A.D.) and Pliny the Younger (112A.D.)...

“Nero fastened the guilt (on the fire that destroyed Rome)...on a class hated for their abominations, called Christians by the populace. Christus, from whom the name had its origin, suffered the extreme penalty during the reign of Tiberius at the hands of... Pontius Pilate, and a most mischievous superstition, thus checked for the moment, again broke out not only no Judaea, the first source of the evil, but even in Rome...” (Tacitus) and...

“They were in the habit of meeting on a certain fived day before it was light, when they sang in alternate verses a hymn to Christ, as to a god, and bound themselves by solemn oath, not to any wicked deeds, but never to commit any fraud, theft to adultery, never to falsify their word, nor deny a trust when they should be called upon to deliver it up; after which it was their custom to separate, and then reassemble to partake of food – but food of an ordinary and innocent kind.” Pliny the Younger

More to come...

God love you... Father Fernan