

THE PARISH OF SAINT EUGENE

OCTOBER 14, 2018 – TWENTY- EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Wisdom 7:7-11 I deemed riches nothing in comparison to wisdom.
Psalm 90 "Fill us with Your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!"
Hebrews 4:12-13 The word of God discerns reflections and thoughts of the heart.
Mark 10:17-30 or 10:17-27 Sell what you have and follow Me.

Solomon makes a wise decision in today's First reading, choosing wisdom over power or riches. He realizes that those things are temporary, whereas wisdom is lasting. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches the rich man the same lesson, noting the incompatibility of wealth and the kingdom of God. This is our challenge today. How are our temporary possessions obstacles to our mission and ultimate goal? Can the "two-edged sword" that the writer of Hebrews invokes separate what lasts from what doesn't?

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
IN MEMORY OF DONALD TORRE
 REQ. BY DOLORES TORRE



BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE
SPECIAL INTENTION FOR STEPHEN KUBASEK
 REQ. BY MR. & MRS. MONTEMURRO

BREAD AND WINE

SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

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| Adoration Chapel | Natalie Philpin | 713-4831 |
| | 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 |
| Knights of Columbus | John Fuoco | 774-0527 |
| Legion of Mary | Marisol Natiello | 337-2147 |
| 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 |

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| | SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 |
| 5:00 PM | Maria Ragni (decd) <i>req. by Enza Coffaro & Family</i> |
| | SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14 |
| 8:00 AM | Michael Mullee (decd) <i>req. by Wayne & Maureen Modrovsky</i> |
| 10:00 AM | Primitiva Casillan (decd) <i>req. by Sonia Zabala</i> |
| 12:00 PM | Paul Hrabsky (decd) <i>req. by Fr. Fernan & Fr. Anthony</i> |
| 6:00 PM | Ruth F. Taylor (decd) <i>req. by Roberta Twomey & daughters</i> |
| | MONDAY, OCTOBER 15 |
| 6:45 AM | Paulina Orta (decd) |
| 9:00 AM | Ellen Zaccaro (decd) <i>req. by Nijole Zukauskas</i> |
| | TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16 |
| 6:45 AM | Carmine Gugliotti (decd) <i>req. by Legion of Mary</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Patricia Mahon (decd) <i>req. by Maura Ferguson</i> |
| | WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17 |
| 6:45 AM | Tommy McGovern (decd) <i>req. by John & Anne O'Connor</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Irene & John Zucconi (decd) <i>req. by Diana & Gabriel Gandolfi</i> |
| | THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18 |
| 6:45 AM | Assunta Porco (decd) <i>req. by Giovanni Vairo & Family</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Frank Mastrangelo Sr. (decd) <i>req. by Gina Mastrangelo</i> |
| | FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19 |
| 6:45 AM | Mary & Angelo Napoli (decd) <i>req. by their daughters</i> |
| 9:00 AM | Eira Fatima Maghuyop (decd) |
| | SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 |
| 9:00 AM | Maura Ferguson (living) Happy Birthday <i>req. by Eileen O'Sullivan</i> |

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:

| October 7 | 2018 | 2017 |
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| Weekly Collection..... | \$9460 | \$10247 |
| Monthly Collection..... | \$1701 | \$1785 |

"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."

ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

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

LEGION OF MARY

We meet every Tuesday morning immediately after 9 AM Mass or Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 PM. For more information please contact Marisol Natiello at (914) 337-2147

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Please contact Martina Parisi at (914) 400-3634 to learn more about the Catholic Daughters. All women of the parish are welcome. Catholic Daughters meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month at 7:15pm.

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.

ALL SOULS DAY

All Souls Day is a day we pray for all our beloved dead. If you wish to have your loved ones remembered at the Masses please use the envelope provided in your envelope packet. Additional envelopes are available throughout the Church.

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, Cora Lucy Sannella, Ann McMahan, Andrea Dworken, Anthony McCauley, Baby Elizabeth Laski, Mary Sweeney, John Sweeney, Joseph A. Collins, Geraldine Gluck, Albert Casico, Leonor Abanilla, Jerry Weber, Carmen Delia Rivera, Teagan Maria Farrah, Helene Layman, Aimee Rizzi, Martha Jane, Charles Saumell, Lucille Layman, Thomas Kilgannon, Jennifer Ingoglia, Louis Ingoglia, Carol Russo, George Georgiadis, Peggy Collins, Michael O'Sullivan, Baby Sean, James J. Virga, Sadie Turner, Liz Pitre, Fr. Richard Pereira, Lucia Langworth, Gloria Saccone and those recently called home to God especially, Walter Sekinski, Joseph J. Fedak and Leonora Mandell. 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, Kevin Jones, Brian Grealy Joe Kelly and Jimmy Sullivan. 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.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CHILD PROTECTION

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949. She may be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

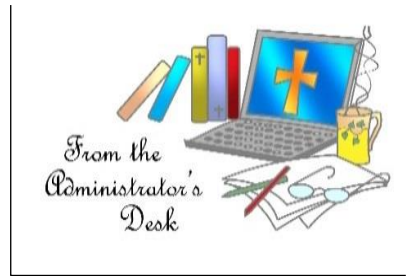
Beginning this Sunday, October 14th Anointing of the Sick will be offered every second Sunday of the month at the 12 o'clock Mass.

CATHOLIC WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS OF YONKERS

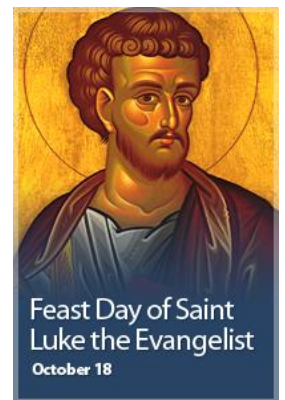
The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will hold its meeting on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at Tombolino's Restaurant, 356 Kimball Ave. Yonkers, at 1pm. Lunch will be served, the cost is \$25, payable at lunch. Members and guests are welcome. Reservations are required. For more information, call (914) 423-5331.

Dear Parishioners:

- **Right to Life Month:** Intercessions for us to pray every day: For Life For all people throughout the world: that they might recognize and treat each person as a masterpiece of God's creation; *We pray to the Lord:* For the poor, the homeless, and all who are in need: that they may receive love, respect, and the material assistance they need; *We pray to the Lord:* For all those facing an unexpected pregnancy: that the peace of Christ may fill their hearts; *We pray to the Lord:* That we may listen for the Lord's voice and follow Him with trust; *We pray to the Lord:* That Jesus grant each of us the courage and peace to share His love with the world; *We pray to the Lord:* That birthparents placing their children with adoptive families may receive abundant support; *We pray to the Lord:* That all women, men, and family members suffering from abortion may know the Lord's tender, healing love; *We pray to the Lord:* For those who are ill: may they draw strength from the Sacred Heart of Jesus, who is always with us in our suffering; *We pray to the Lord:* For parents who have lost a child through miscarriage: that they may know the comfort and hope that Jesus brings; *We pray to the Lord:* For all elected officials: that throughout their service, they may respect the dignity of each person; *We pray to the Lord:* - *from the USCCB.*



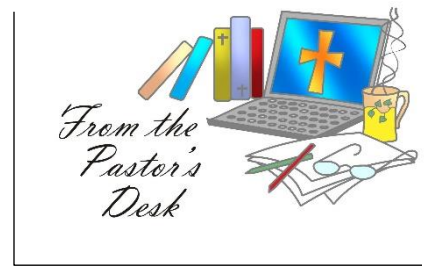
- **Saint Eugene Choir:** Each weekend under the direction of our Music Director, *Jerry Celestino* we are given the chance to lift our voices high in the Holy Mass. What is the importance of music and singing in the Mass? Music that blends both spiritual and artistic excellence is liturgical, it is sacred. Music has the ability to cultivate, strengthen, and deepen the spiritual experience of those gathered for worship. Liturgical music never dominates, but serves. Sacred music imparts spiritual truth to one's mind, heart, and soul. It displays a dimension of meaning and feeling that mere words cannot. Music makes prayer more pleasing, promotes a sense of congregational unity, and confers greater solemnity upon the sacred rites. Singing is an expression of joy. *In Colossians 3:16, St. Paul exhorts the faithful assembled in expectation of their Lord's return to sing together. He says, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly..., singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God."* Our relationship with God is one of love, and whether we sing loudly or softly, on pitch or out of tune, sing. Our Children's Choir sings everyweek at the 10:00 AM Family Mass. We are looking for adults who are willing to lend their talent and join our Saint Eugene Adult Choir. The Choir Mass is the 12:00 Mass on Sundays. If you are interested in joining either choir please see Mr. Celestino after one of the masses.
- **Mass Book:** The 2019 Mass Book is open. The Church office is open Monday – Friday from 9:30- 3:30.
- **Catholic Daughters:** The Catholic Daughters will be hosting a bake sale on Sunday October 28th at the 8:00,10:00 7 12:00 Masses. Please save the date!
- **October 18, Feast of Saint Luke:** Saint Luke lived in the First Century A.D. He was a physician, a companion to Saint Paul whom he traveled and preached the doctrine of the new faith; he was also a Christian historian. According to ecclesiastical tradition, Luke was the author of the Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel according to Luke. The first chapters of Luke Gospel relate the story of Christmas. He is the only Evangelist to provide certain information about the conception, infancy and childhood of Jesus. The events described in the Bible by Luke include the Annunciation, the announcement by the Archangel Gabriel that Mary had been chosen as the mother of Christ. These words are the basis for the Hail Mary. St. Luke also chronicled the only Gospel account of the visitation, which contains what is considered to be one of the world's most beautiful prayers, the Magnificat. - *From the USCCB.* As we are in the month of the Rosary, let us not only pray to our Mother, but to Saint Luke as he gave us these beautiful words.
- **Catholic School High School Open House:** *The Ursuline School*, an independent, private, Catholic, college preparatory school for girls, located in New Rochelle cordially invites prospective students to attend an Open House on Saturday October 27, from 12:30-3:30. For more information please call 914-500-6227 or www.Ursulinenewrochelle.org *Archbishop Stepinac High School* will host a Fall Open House on Sunday October 28th. Presentations will be at 1-2PM. Pre-register at www.stepinac.org. Cardinal Spellman High School will conduct their Open House on October 21 from 11-3 PM. For more information, please call 718-881-8000. *TACHS* Test for Admission into Catholic High School - will be administered on Friday, November 2, 2018. Students may register via online at www.tachsinfo.com or via telephone from 8am-7pm 866-618-2247.



May God bless you always, Gina Mastrangelo, Parish Administrator

Beloved of God,

As Mid-Term Elections are drawing near and since in our daily lives we are constantly faced with choices, let us meditate and reflect upon the *Conscience*. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* CCC states... "Man has the right to act in conscience and in freedom so as personally to make moral decisions. "He must not be forced to act contrary to his conscience. Nor must he be prevented from acting according to his conscience, especially in religious matters." (1782)



What is the conscience? "Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing, or has already completed. In all he says and does, man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right. It is by the judgment of his conscience that man perceives and recognizes the prescriptions of the divine law." (CCC 1778) Also, "Moral conscience, present at the heart of the person, enjoins him at the appropriate moment to do good and to avoid evil. It also judges particular choices, approving those that are good and denouncing those that are evil. It bears witness to the authority of truth in reference to the supreme Good to which the human person is drawn, and it welcomes the commandments. When he listens to his conscience, the prudent man can hear God speaking." (CCC 1777) It is important to note that the conscience of the human person is first to realize that as we are created by the Divine we are intimately connected to Our Creator and the inner voice we hear ought not to be driven by selfish desires, personal gain, or political motives, but must be informed by the God who is speaking to that inner place where we are called to pray. (Matthew 6:6) This call to listen not to society often makes us think we are being limited in freedom. But as Saint Paul wrote in his Letter to the Galatians, "For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love. For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (5:13)

We are, therefore, obliged to listen to our conscience in all things. But not a conscience that is improperly formed, meaning not informed by God. "(CCC 1783) Conscience must be informed and moral judgment enlightened. A well-formed conscience is upright and truthful. It formulates its judgments according to reason, in conformity with the true good willed by the wisdom of the Creator. The education of conscience is indispensable for human beings who are subjected to negative influences and tempted by sin to prefer their own judgment and to reject authoritative teachings. (CCC 1784) The education of the conscience is a lifelong task. From the earliest years, it awakens the child to the knowledge and practice of the interior law recognized by conscience. Prudent education teaches virtue; it prevents or cures fear, selfishness and pride, resentment arising from guilt, and feelings of complacency, born of human weakness and faults. The education of the conscience guarantees freedom and engenders peace of heart. (CCC 1785) In the formation of conscience the Word of God is the light for our path, we must assimilate it in faith and prayer and put it into practice. We must also examine our conscience before the Lord's Cross. We are assisted by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, aided by the witness or advice of others and guided by the authoritative teaching of the Church."

What it comes down to is, that no matter what we feel, what makes us happy, what we want to do, or what society says is okay... we are bound to follow a conscience that has been informed only by God and His Holy Church

Placing ourselves before the Lord's Cross, putting ourselves in the presence of God to be assisted by the Holy Spirit, and listening to the Word of God as taught us by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, let us examine our consciences. Stealing is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Missing Mass on Sunday's is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Sexual Relationships outside of Marriage are wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Marriage is only between one male and one female, even if *your conscience* tells you that's not true. Lying is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Showing your parents a lack of respect is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Abortion is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Adultery is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Contraception is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Cheating at school or work is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay. Living together is wrong, even if *your conscience* tells you it is okay.

So when you make your choices for life, for election day, for your families and your children, remember to truly follow your conscience... that conscience which is being taught by the word of God, with the assistance of the Holy Spirit, in the presence of the Lord's Cross.

God love you... Father Fernan