St. Eugene Parish
Chicago, IL 60656

THE VOICE

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time **February 1, 2015**

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SUNDAY MASSES: (5:30 PM Saturday), 7:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM, 4:30 PM

WEEKDAYS: 6:30, 9:00 AM (8:30 AM Saturday)

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays from 4:00—5:00 PM in the Reconciliation Room.

BAPTISMS: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 1:00 PM. Baptismal Preparation Class the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM in the rectory. Please telephone the rectory to register.

WEDDINGS: Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with one of the Priests. Weddings are celebrated for registered parishioners of St. Eugene Parish.

PARISHIONERS: When moving in or out of St. Eugene Parish, please notify the rectory.

YOUR WILL: Remember the church in your bequests.

CHURCH ETIQUETTE: The priest should be the last in, and first out of church.



Parish Staff

Rev. George Koeune, Pastor
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Mrs. Terri Swiderski, Receptionists

Please TURN OFF any electronic devices before entering the church for Mass or any other Liturgical service.
Please do NOT park in front of church to ensure emergency vehicle access.
There are ample parking spaces provided on the north side,
to the rear of the church and the Shaunessy Center parking lot.

Welcome, visitors and guests, to St. Eugene Church and Parish. Please sign our guest register in the rear vestibule and let our ushers know if you need a taxi or need to use a phone.

RECTORY HOURS
MONDAY - FRIDAY
9:00 - 11:30 am & 12:30 - 8:00 pm
(closed for lunch: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm)
SATURDAY & SUNDAY:
9:00 am - 1:00 pm





The Holy Eucharist

Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself. (1Corinthians 11: 27-29)

The above quote from Paul's letter has been ignored by many people in recent years. Simply put, there are some people coming up to Holy Communion who should not be receiving. Recently, Father Greg showed me a Host that a woman found in a pew after Mass. The Host was broken up into several pieces and placed where the song books are kept. This is a serious abuse. Desecration of the Holy Eucharist is such a serious abuse that it cannot be forgiven by a priest in the confessional unless permission is first obtained from Rome to forgive such a sin. Automatic Excommunication occurs when someone knowingly desecrates the Holy Eucharist.

Unfortunately, Eucharistic abuses do occur in many churches. Once, after a funeral, I found a Host tucked into the pages of one of our song books. The person used the Host as a book mark, or just placed it there because he or she did not know what to do with the Body of Christ. Clearly, we need to emphasize the importance of Holy Eucharist to those who are unaware that it is the source and summit of our faith. This means that non-Catholics or uncatechized individuals who attend weddings, funerals, and other special events, must not come forward for Holy Communion. Reception of the Body and Blood of Jesus requires faith and the proper spiritual disposition. Those who are not Catholic must not receive that which we hold most sacred. Also, those who are aware of serious sin (such as deliberately missing Sunday Mass) must abstain from reception of Holy Communion until they have received the Sacrament of Confession.

At one time in our church history, very few people received Holy Communion. This was not good. However, we seem to have gone too far in the opposite direction where everyone comes forward for Holy Communion. This also is not good. The beginning of my article started with a quote from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. In that letter St. Paul is urging people to not eat the body and blood of the Lord in an unworthy state. St. Paul says it very clearly that anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself or herself. Reception of Holy Communion must not be done in a casual manner, in the state of serious sin, or by someone who does not truly believe. For those, it is better for to not come forward when it is time for Holy Communion. It is not an insult for people to pray and not receive the Holy Eucharist. However, it is an insult when some people come forward and receive the Host without knowledge or faith about what they are doing.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. George



Bulletin copy **MUST** be in the rectory office **NO LATER THAN 12:00 NOON EACH MONDAY**. Copy material received past the deadline will not be published in *The Voice* until the following weekend—NO EXCEPTIONS.

THIS WEEKEND

TO TEACH WHO CHRIST IS
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PLEDGE DRIVE
Please place your pledge card in the regular collection basket.



ALTAR & ROSARY
MASS 9:30 AM
PLEASE JOIN US TO SAY THE ROSARY AT 9:05 AM

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY
DIAPER DRIVE (see page 8)



PLEASE RETURN YOUR MARKET DAY ORDER FORM

BLESSING OF THROATS AFTER ALL MASSES



Sacrificial Giving

January 25, 2015

Regular Sunday Offering	**$**	**11,669**
Electronic Giving Weekly Average December (four week average)	**$**	**1,243**
Total	**$**	**12,912**
Sunday Budget 2014-15	**$**	**16,000**
Over / (short)	***$***	***3,088***
Sharing Parish	**$**	**37**
To Teach Who Christ Is Families participating		**468**
Total Pledged	**$**	**338,573**
Received to date	**$**	**43,283**

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISH. YOUR EFFORTS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

We have over 85 donors on Give Central and we continue to see our online giving grow. You can now visit our giving page by going to our web site (www.st-eugene.org)

HAPPENINGS

SUNDAY	**1**
	Altar & Rosary Diaper Drive
9:30 am	Altar & Rosary Society Mass & Rosary: CH
MONDAY	**2**
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM	
3:00 pm	Cub Scouts: SH.MR
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
TUESDAY	**3**
11:30 am	Young at Heart Club: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	Altar & Rosary Society: SH.CTR+MR
WEDNESDAY	**4**
3:00 pm	Jr. Girl Scouts: SH.MR
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	School Advisory Committee: SCH.110
7:00 pm	RCIA: REC.DR
THURSDAY	**5**
3:00 pm	Girl Scouts: SH.MR
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
FRIDAY	**6**
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	School Event: SCH.RH
7:00 pm	First Reconciliation CH
SATURDAY	**7**
9:30 am	Market Day: SH.CTR+MR
10:00 am	AA.SCH.RH
1:00 pm	Knights of Columbus
	Free throw championship: SH.CTR
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
6:00 pm	Girl Scouts
	Father Daughter Dance: SCH.RH
SUNDAY	**8**
12:30 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR

FACILITY CODES

CH	**Church**
CV	**Convent**
REC.MR	**Rectory Meeting Room**
SCH.110	**School Room 110**
SCH.RH	**Ryan Hall**
SH.CTR	**Shaunessy Center**
SH.CTR+MR	**Shaunessy Center & Meeting Room**
SH.MR	**Shaunessy Center Meeting Room**



ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT
Mondays in church
12:00 NOON - 8:00 pm
with Benediction at 7:45 pm

"It is faith in the resurrection that alone distinguishes and sets apart Christians from all other men."
St. Augustine

PLEASE COME -- VISIT JESUS



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3
FEAST OF ST. BLAISE
Throats will be blessed **after** the morning Masses 6:30 & 9:00 am.

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

Tuesday, February 3 - 11:30 am
Shaunessy Center

After our regular meeting, we will have cake & coffee and then play Bingo.

We are also collecting dues ($7.00) for 2015. Please pay your dues as soon as possible, if you haven't already done so.

We welcome new members. We meet on the first & third Tuesdays at 11:30 am in the Shaunessy Center

See you at the meeting.



ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY



Tuesday, February 3 - Doors open 6:30 pm
Shaunessy Center

Just an early reminder that at our upcoming meeting on February 3rd, we be having our annual Baby Shower and/or Mission Collection of monetary donations for the Women's Center. If you plan to purchase an item/s, diapers in sizes 1, 4, 5, 6 and baby hygiene products are urgently and always needed. Barbara Brinlee is the chairperson for the meeting this month and the theme is **Be My Valentine**.

Prayer with Scripture

We invite you to an encounter of prayer where you can stop from the hurry of the moment and listen to God through God's Word, in silence, meditation, adoration and contemplation. In this short but intense time, we listen to a talk that introduces us into the understanding of the Word of God, which later, we reflect on and meditate in an attitude of faith, discovering what God is trying to reveal to us. The prayer is accompanied by the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with songs to help the faithful enter more into prayer.

As the deer longs for streams of water,
so my soul longs for you, O God. Psalm 42,2

Every Tuesday in Spanish - 7:00 pm
Every Wednesday in English - 7:00 pm
Every Thursday in Polish - 7:30 pm
Every Friday in Filipino - 7:00 pm
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For more information please contact the convent at:773-467-0295

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Next Sunday, and on the second Sunday of each month, St. Eugene Parish offers a blessing for expectant mothers, fathers and their unborn children following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The blessing is given to strengthen mothers and fathers during the time of waiting, and to pray for the health and safe delivery of their child. This blessing may be received monthly throughout the pregnancy.

2014 CHURCH DONATIONS

2014 statements of contributions *have been* mailed to ALL parishioners who have made donations totaling $200 or more during the 2014 calendar year.

If your donations total less than $200 and you would like a **2014 STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS,** please call the rectory. Have your envelope ID number available. The envelope ID number is the group of numbers found to the far left above your name.

PLEASE PRAY



***For the Sick*:** Pat Apida, Robert Apida, Linda Babusci, Michael Brennan, Baby Jeremy Brigante, Arthur Bronski, Barbara Bronski, Dr. Patricia Brown, Rosa Canepa, Carmen Casneros, Lorna Chapuis, Franco Chiappetta, Infant Liam Thomas Clark, Mirna Cozzo, Jerry Crimmins, Susan Curtin, Ed Czerwinski, James Donovan, Marge Dyson, Rev. Richard Feller, Carol Gasiorek, Robert W. Gelfond, Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Anne Marie Godby, Michelle & Shaun Hamilton, David Hampal, Tim Heider, Patricia Imburgia, Kathy Jeskey, Virginia Kerber, Linda Knight, Olga Kykta, Peggy Leen, Allie Lim, Stephanie Lim, Vernon Lipps Jr., Rosaria Lombardo, Rosina Macak, Elizabeth Mancheff, Rose Mary Maratto, Rosemary Marinello, John Masley, Vicenza Mazza, Richard Miedona, Dennis Mikulski, Nick Milazzo, Sebastian Milka, Michael C. Muscarello, Virginia Muscarello, Lou Nava, Leo Navickis, Dorothy O'Leary, Robynn O'Leary, Lois Pallo, Isaac Parris, Lena Pighini, Norma Quilici, Gerry Randazzo, Charlotte Rice, Rita Rogers, Teresa Ruberti, Theresa Samborski, Joanne Schippers, John Schuster, Michael Shannon, Yolanda Shannon, Dean Showalter, Michael Solberg, Emily Steckiewicz, Maxine Stefanowski, Maria Tenuta, Erich Thuer, Rev. Fred Tomzik, Louanne Will, Evelyn Yore, Mary Ann Zulawinski and for those who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes and under hospice care.

Newly added to our sick list: Rosemary Beyak, Janet Stryker

For the Deceased: Joseph R. Golden, John Mc Guane

PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY IF YOU WOULD LIKE A NAME LISTED.

2016 MASS BOOK

The Mass Book for 2016 opened
Tuesday, January 20 at 9:00 am

Consistent with Archdiocesan policy, there is one intention per Mass. To accommodate the additional requests of parishioners, collective, or multi-Intentional Masses are scheduled at 9:00 am on Wednesday, and 11:30 am on Sunday. Since we have a large parish, we must allow people an opportunity to get specific days for Mass Intentions. Therefore, only five intentions may be given to an individual within the first two weeks that the book is open. An individual person may not take more than five Mass Intentions in a given month. Of these five Masses, no more than two should be listed in any given week. The above guidelines do not apply to the designated Multi-Intentional Masses. A person can have a Multi-Intentional Mass every week if they desire it. However, since the intentions are read at Mass, no more than thirty intention should be taken in on any Multi-Intentional Mass.

ST. JOSEPH TABLE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 11 - 7:00 pm
School Room 110



Regular meeting for the March 2015 St. Joseph Table. We ask all members to be present. We are always looking for new members.

NEW REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Saint Eugene School is now accepting new registrations for the 2015-16 school year. We offer full and part time pre-school for three year olds, full and part time pre-kindergarten for four year olds, and full time classes for kindergarten through grade 8. Pre-school parents have the option of three mornings (M-W-F), three full days (M-W-F), or five mornings (M-T-W-T-F), or five full days (M-T-W-T-F). Pre-Kindergarten parents have the option of five mornings or five full days.

Parents may make an appointment for an individual tour of our school.
For more information, please call: 773-763-2235

ANNUAL ALUMNI MASS

February 15th, 9:30 am, in the Church.
ALL alumni and their families are invited and encouraged to attend!

SUPER ALUMNI BASH

ALL St. Eugene alumni are cordially invited to kick off another exciting and action-packed Alumni Weekend by attending a multiple year bash on **Friday, February 13th at:**

The Curragh Irish Pub, 6703 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago, IL (773) 774-6170

The bash has been a very enjoyable experience for each of the past twelve years, with approximately 100-150 alumni attending the event each year. Hundreds of alumni from the "Classes of 1980-2008" have been invited. ALL St. Eugene alumni and their families are welcome and encouraged to attend. It can be even more fun if you market the event by enticing more of your classmates and friends to attend. If you convince them to join you, they will be back again next year! The bash will take place from 9 pm until 2 am. You will be responsible for your own expenses. The kitchen will close at 11 pm and a late night menu will be available until midnight. Please, be very generous to your bartenders and servers! For your convenience there will be valet parking, or you can park on the street or the small parking lot one block west of the establishment. Please be courteous to everybody you encounter because you will be a reflection of St. Eugene Parish and School. Which class will have the best turnout this year? Once again, it promises to be an awesome event.

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!

ONLY FOUR MORE SPOTS AVAILABLE!

PLEASE CONTACT FATHER GREG BY FEBRUARY 28 IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!

BEST OF IRELAND TOUR



11 DAYS: MAY 11 - 22, 2015

$2989 Roundtrip from Chicago

(Air/land tour price is $2619 plus $370 govt. taxes & airline fuel surcharges)



Hosted by
Father Greg Wojcik



TOUR INCLUDES:

Roundtrip Air from Chicago, First Class/Select Hotels,
Most Meals, Professional Driver/Guide & Comprehensive Sightseeing

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Connemara, Knock, Sligo and Dublin

For a brochure & more information contact Fr. Wojcik at:
Tel: (773) 775 6659 ext 108 Email: grzegorzmwojcik@gmail.com

AUTHORITY FROM GOD

According to Moses, the people decided they didn't want to hear God's voice directly any more. It was much too frightening. Why couldn't God send human teachers, prophets, instead? God agreed, but with a warning. The people had better listen to those teachers, because they spoke in God's name.

That arrangement, though, had its own problems, for them and for us. How do I know this teacher is truly from God? And if the teacher is from God, are all parts of the teaching meant for me? We have the Church and scripture to help us with those questions, but still there are always a few loose ends.

That is the powerful significance of the sentence in today's Gospel: "The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes." The people knew that this Jesus was authentic—truly a teacher sent by God. They knew it by hearing him.

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CRISIS PREGNANCY HELPLINE

The **Crisis Pregnancy Helpline** is sponsored by the Women's Center. They provide counseling, food, clothing, baby furniture, referral services, etc. to those experiencing a difficult pregnancy. **1-800-400-4205**



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A PARISHIONER OF ST. EUGENE PARISH, WE WELCOME YOU TO PLEASE STOP BY THE RECTORY OFFICE DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS.
M-F 9 am - 8 pm, SAT – SUN 9 am - 1 pm

"Archbishop Cupich Welcome Mass"

Everyone of Vicariate II is invited to welcome and meet our new shepherd, Archbishop Blasé Cupich as the Ninth Archbishop for the Archdiocese of Chicago. A special Mass will be held on:

Thursday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m.
St. John Brebeuf Church
8307 N. Harlem Ave., Niles, IL

A reception will follow Mass. There will be an opportunity to meet Archbishop Cupich and have a photo taken (by a photographer).

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS

GUERIN PREP: Sarah Sciaraffa, Eric Creager, Emily Mierzwa, Ryan Worthington



POPE FRANCIS TWEET FOR THE WEEK

Auschwitz cries out with the pain of immense suffering and pleads for a future of respect, peace and encounter among peoples.

Parishioner Contact Update

To help us keep our records current, please print the information below and drop the form in the collection basket or at the rectory. Thank you.

Last Name _____ First Name _____ M/M, Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss

Last Name _____ First Name _____ M/M, Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss

Address _____ City _____ Zip code _____

Email address: _____ Email address: _____

Phone # (Home) _____ Cell # _____ Cell # _____

MARKET DAY, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2015

Please look over our FEBRUARY sale order sheet.
You are sure to find something that your family will love for every meal of the day!
Sale dates for this school year: March 7, April 11, May 9 & June 6.

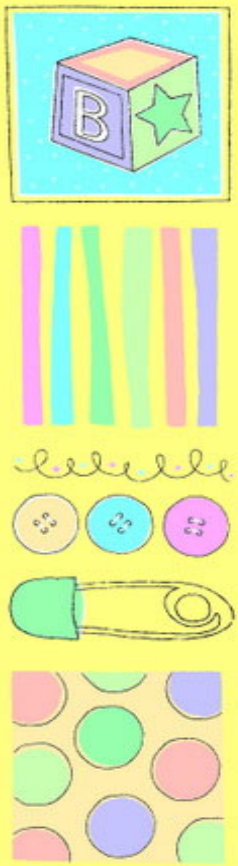
OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan 31/Feb 1	Sat/Sun	Return orders after Mass
February 2	Mon	Return orders to the rectory or school.
February 3	**Tue**	**Internet orders due by 11:00 pm**
February 7	**Sat**	**Pick up orders in the Shaunessy Center 9:30 - 10:30 am**
March 7	Sat	Next Sale Date

If you would like to help this month, just fill out the form below and return it to the rectory or place it in the collection basket during Mass.
New volunteers are always welcome and we appreciate your orders, too. We especially need "dads" to help unload the Market Day truck.

Name_____ **Phone**_____

_____**I'll help unload the truck at 8:00 am and/or**
_____**I'll help fill orders from 9:30 am until 10:30 am**



The Altar & Rosary Society
is sponsoring a Diaper Drive
for the Women's Center.

Diapers in sizes 1, 4, 5, & 6 as well as
baby hygiene products are urgently needed.

Please drop off your donation(s) at church
the weekend of January 31 & February 1, or
at the Altar & Rosary meeting
on Tuesday, February 3, at 6:30 pm.

+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +

Saturday, January 31 - Vigil:
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 Ania Fornal

Sunday, February 1 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 Rosaria Centineo
9:30 Phil Saineghi
11:30 Concetta & Cristoforo Alaimo, Helen & Steve Dobrowolski, Walter D'Souza, John Keating, George Koerber, Robert Landeck, Vincenzo & Angela Lonero, Robert Mrose, John F. Mugnaini, Eugenia Puccini Quilici, Bartolini & Chapetta Fams., Francesco (Frank) Randazzo, John Van Moffaert
4:30 People of the Parish

Monday - Friday: 6:30 am & 9:00 am
Saturday: 8:30 am

Monday, February 2 - The Presentation of the Lord
6:30 Purgatorial Society
9:00 Margaret & Jim McGuire

Tuesday, February 3 - St. Blaise, St. Ansgar
6:30 Int. Francis Cardinal George, OMI, Archbishop Emeritus, Arch. of Chicago
9:00 Andrew & Joan Maier

Wednesday, February 4
6:30 Maureen Walsh
9:00 Rocco Falco, Kazimierz & Henryka Fornal, Vince & Mary LaPietra Fam. & Friends, Anthony Laterza, Int. of Veronica Lukasik

Thursday, February 5 - St. Agatha
6:30 Michael & Dominick DeCarlo
9:00 Michael Kwilas

Friday, February 6 - St. Paul Miki & Companions
6:30 Novena of Support for our School
9:00 Renee Pinter

Saturday, February 7
8:30 Stanislaw & Jan Jozwiczki

Saturday, February 7 - Vigil:
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 Dec'd Mbrs. Conlon & Husfield Fams.

Sunday, February 8 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 Allen Sadowski
9:30 Angeline Komperda
11:30 Domenico Battista, Thomas Blair, Stephan Cieslak, Fiorentino Colantonio, Chris & Tadeusz Dabros & Wytrwol Fams., Vincenzo Di Iorio, Girolama & Salvatore Leone, Rosalia Mannino - Special Int., Quilici, Bartolini & Chapetta Fams., Michael Vito Parente, M/M Robert Reilly, Sr., Francesco (Frank) Randazzo, James Urbaszewski, Ed & Victoria Wnek
4:30 People of the Parish

+ MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

Lector **Eucharistic Minister ***Server

Saturday, February 7 - 8:30 am
*** **Team 6**

Saturday, February 7 - 5:30 pm
* T. Swiderski
** T. Swiderski, M. Pollowy, J. Schmitt, P. Conlon
*** **Team 5**
Mon., 2/9 - 9:00 am

Sunday, February 8 - 7:00 am
* M. Egan
** C. Paulini, L. Feist, D. Feist, C. Bobka
*** **Team 1**
Tue., 2/10 - 9:00 am

Sunday, February 8 - 9:30 am
* T. Bernacki
** M. Meo, E. Mendoza, M. Kenny, M. Guerrieri
*** **Team 2**
Wed., 2/11 - 9:00 am

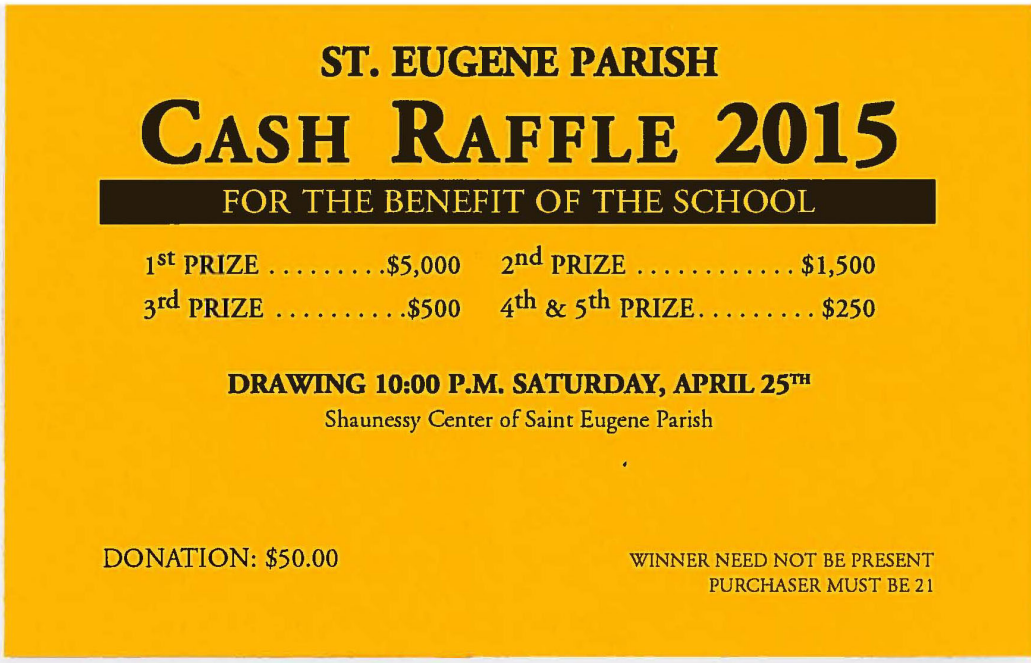
Sunday, February 8 - 11:30 am
* J. Sclafani
** S. Sclafani, R. Fiorante, M.B. Glynn, M. Russo
*** **Team 3**
Thu., 2/12 - 9:00 am

Sunday, February 8 - 4:30 pm
* R. Kopf
** B. O'Neill, E. Della Santina, A. Rodriguez, N. Rodriguez
*** **Team 4**
Fri., 2/13 - 9:00 am

PLEASE NOTE:
The designated multi-intentional Mass times will be the 9:00 morning Mass on Wednesday, and the 11:30 morning Mass on Sunday. Multi-intentional Masses will have no more than 30 names.

At the time of a family member's death, if you would like memorials to be made to St. Eugene Parish, please instruct the Funeral Home to use the following in the death notice:
"In lieu of flowers, a memorial may be made to St. Eugene Parish, Foster Avenue, Chicago."
Envelopes can be provided by the Funeral Home.

A REMINDER
To make sure a Mass Intention is included in the bulletin, it must be made **2 weeks** in advance. To make sure a Mass Intention is read at Mass, it must be made at least **1 week** in advance of the date requested.



Tickets are available at the school and rectory offices during the week.

CA$H RAFFLE

It's CA$H RAFFLE time again! As you know, this is our biggest school fundraiser. Parishioners have the opportunity to purchase tickets after the weekend Masses in March or in the rectory or school offices now. You can also use this tear-off mail-in form. Only 500 tickets will be sold. The odds and prizes are great! Who wouldn't like to win $5,000?

Thank you in advance for your support of the CA$H RAFFLE.

MAIL ORDER

St. Eugene Parish Cash Raffle
for the benefit of the school

Please send me _____ ticket(s) @ $50.00

Total enclosed $_____
(checks payable to St. Eugene School)

Name_____ (please print)

Address_____

_____

Phone_____

Mail to: St. Eugene School
7930 W. Foster
Chicago, IL 60656

Any questions: 773-763-2235

SAVE THE DATES
ST. THECLA/ST. EUGENE
PARISH MISSION
MONDAY THRU WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16-18, 2015
"Serving our Neighbors across the Archdiocese of Chicago"

Where: St. Thecla Parish - 7:00 p.m.
6725 W. Devon
Chicago, IL 60631

Our speakers will be:

Bishop Joseph N. Perry, Auxiliary Bishop
Vicar Vicariate VI - Archdiocese of Chicago

Deacons Dennis Brown and Mark Duffey
Vicariate I - Archdiocese of Chicago

Sister Kate O'Leary
Our Lady of the Angels Mission
Vicariate III - Archdiocese of Chicago

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As a result of the reforms of the Second Vatican Council, the Church has defined a new pastoral plan for your care whenever you struggle with illness. There are rites for children, a communal rite for celebration in the parish, forms of care for the sick at each stage and transition, and for the desperately ill. There is a much broader interpretation of who may be anointed, including not only the visibly ill, but those battling addiction, or the elderly coping with the frustrating aches and pains of aging. Children under seven are normally not anointed, since the oil is associated with reconciliation. (For the same reason, they do not receive ashes on Ash Wednesday.) However, children close to that age who have a serious illness often gain a deep level of spiritual insight and maturity, and may benefit from catechesis for the Eucharist. Once admitted to confirmation and/or Eucharist, a sick child should be anointed. It is a great strength of our present rite that a section is included with prayers tailored to the experience and understanding of a child. Considering our recent history of being fairly sparing with this sacrament, the generosity of celebration today is helping us to retrieve an essential part of our tradition of reverence for the sick. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Oil of the Sick, usually labeled OI (for *Oleum Infirmarum*), is often reserved with chrism and the oil of catechumens in an ambry. An ambry is a cabinet, often beautifully ornamented and kept near the baptistery in the church. Olive oil, with no fragrance added, is blessed at the Chrism Mass in Holy Week by the bishop, although there is now a provision for a priest to bless oil if none is available. This restores to our Latin Rite practice a tradition never lost in the Eastern tradition, in which priests consecrate the oil of the sick, even at the sick person's home. Any vegetable oil may be used now, since olive oil is difficult to obtain in some places. Many priests keep a small supply of oil close at hand in a small metal tube called a "stock."

In the former rite, every sense of the body was anointed, accompanied by a prayer for forgiveness of sin. So, the eyes, ears, nostrils, mouth, hands, and feet were all touched. Today, this is simplified to an anointing of the forehead and the hands, but generally today the oil is used more lavishly, and the symbolism of touch so central to the rite is enhanced. Often, a priest will invite everyone present to join in the "laying on of hands." Sick persons are often pushed aside or feared in our culture, and to be reverently touched in love can be a profound experience of God's healing, forgiving, accepting presence through the ministry of the Church.
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Dwell



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In the Scriptures, we find a cluster of similar and important words—*dwell*, *stay*, *abide*, and *remain*. They all point to a single reality. In the rite of Baptism, water was poured on us. Even more significantly, as Saint Paul says, " God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." (Romans 5:5) Deep within us, then, in our hearts, God **dwells** within us by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The presence of God dwelling within us through Baptism signals the absolute closeness we enjoy with God. And God's indwelling presence is reliable. He is always faithful, even if we are not. He stays with us and stands by us. Finally, this presence of God dwelling in us in sacrament and mystery is a foretaste of our future. Our hope and our destiny is that we will dwell in God and God in us, when we see God face-to-face.

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Wake Up



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At a certain low point in the story of the now-destitute prodigal son, he **wakes up** to his situation. The text reads: "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father" (Luke 15:17–18)

In the Sacrament of Penance, we ask God for forgiveness that he gladly and generously gives to us. A very first step, however, is waking up to our situation and realizing how much we need God's mercy. The habits of sin may dull our minds and hearts. We may be sluggish in reflecting on our lives. Whatever numbs us must dissipate. We do need to wake up, and then with the prodigal son we can get up and go to our father.

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MORE SCENES FROM THE APPRECIATION DINNER - JANUARY 10, 2015



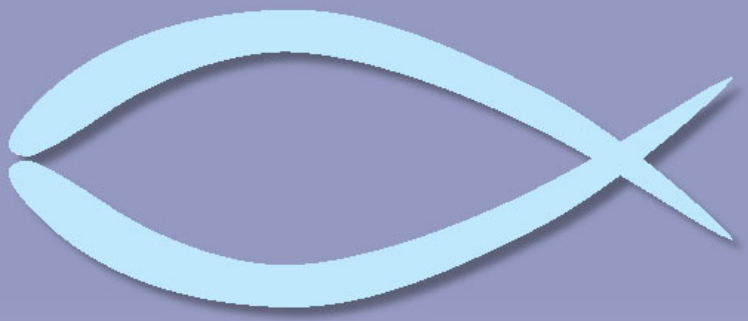








Friday Fish Fry



When:
February 20
February 27
March 6

Fried Cod, Popcorn Shrimp,
Baked Tilapia, Pasta and
Pizza Dinners Available

5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Where:
Shaunessy Center
at St. Eugene Parish
5220 N. Canfield
Chicago, IL

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
Karol Wojtyla/Pope John Paul II
Council #14008

We ask all of our parishioners, if you have a loved one serving in the military, to please contact the rectory office to give us the name of the soldier, so the whole parish can pray for your loved one. A book in the church vestibule is available for inscribing the names of all military personnel. This book will be part of the offertory procession from now until the war is over.

A PRAYER

LORD, HOLD OUR TROOPS IN YOUR LOVING HANDS.
PROTECT THEM AS THEY PROTECT US.
BLESS THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES
FOR THE SELFLESS ACTS THEY PERFORM
FOR US IN OUR TIME OF NEED.
WE ASK THIS IN THE NAME OF
JESUS OUR LORD AND SAVIOR. AMEN

We pray for our loved ones

who are serving in any branch of the Armed Forces during this time of conflict.

GHALEB AZROUI
CHRISTOPHER BAUER
TIMOTHY EMMETT CAROLAN
CATHY O'LEARY CHAMBERLAIN
ZBIGNIEW DUDKOWSKI
MARTY DURCAN
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ERIC NORWOOD
VINCENT PAGE
CHAD PRITCHARD
NICHOLAS RANCH
MICHAEL SCHIPPERS, JR.

If you would like to add a name to the list, please call the rectory.

Also, please call the rectory when your loved one returns home.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission as Catholics united in faith at St. Eugene Parish is to help bring God to people and people to God. Through evangelization, education and being of service to each other, we strive to make our parish community a holistic community in body, mind and spirit. It is our goal to develop, support, encourage and empower one another in our parish ministries, so that each person can reach their human and Christian potential. We are enthused about the future of St. Eugene and the whole Catholic Church and we pledge our participation in that future. We seek dialogue and open communication with all parishioners in fulfilling the needs of our parish. While recognizing the cultural diversities in our community, we will strive to bring all people together in Christ under a common bond of faith, hope and love.