St. Eugene Parish
Chicago, IL 60656

THE VOICE

Fifth Sunday of Lent **March 22, 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.

REV. ROBERT I. GRIB, S.J.



THANK YOU FATHER BOB!!!

Parish Staff

Rev. George Koeune, Pastor
Rev. James J. O'Brien, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Grzegorz Wójcik Associate Pastor
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Mrs. Kathleen Kon &
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

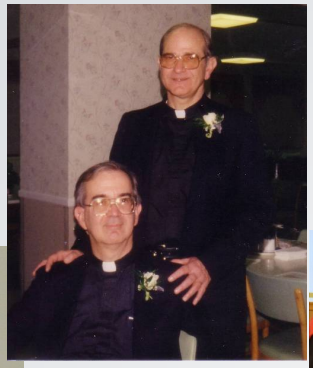
FATHER BOB GRIB, S.J.

Fr. Bob Grib, S.J. came to St. Eugene Parish with a wealth of missionary experience. After being ordained a Jesuit Priest, Father Bob spent more than 30 years in India spreading the Gospel message. After returning to the United States, he helped out around the Archdiocese of Chicago. He has worked more recently at St. Juliana Parish and St. Francis Borgia Parish before helping out here at St. Eugene Parish these past 18 months. Again, I am very grateful for all that Fr. Bob has done for our parish. As a way to honor him, I have asked Mrs. Barbara Meier to put together some pictures for all of us to enjoy.



Yours in Christ,

Fr. George















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CONFIRMATION

Friday, March 27, 2015 - 7:00 pm

MOST REVEREND GEORGE J. RASSAS

Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

On Friday evening, March 27th, the Most Reverend George J. Rassas will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation at Saint Eugene Parish. As a parish family, we pray that the Holy Spirit will enlighten and strengthen the Confirmandi. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, may they be good Christian ladies and gentlemen who truly live the Gospel in their lives.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. George

Patricia Adams
Joseph Antosh, III
Daniel Anzaldua

Timothy Bolger
Caroline Byrne

Vincent Cotter

Mario Di Benedetto
Anthony Doles

Margaret Gercone

Megan Heerdt

Daniel Kalinowski

Gia Larucci
Isabelle Lipski
Theresa Lo Giudice

Natalie Marker
Sean Martin
Emily Mendyk
Charles Moskal

Christian Orend

Isabella Parravicini
Lindsey Payton
Daniella Pecoraro

Cameron Ranne
Leo Reina
Samantha Rickert

Joseph Saineghi
Sophia Santore
Michael Senese
Isabel Sobolewski
Jessica Story

Joseph Thome
Molly Tomzik

Stephanie Udzielak

Mackenzie Van Horn

Christian Wiak

Linda Crowley
Essa Gercone

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Wisdom ~ Understanding ~ Counsel ~
Fortitude ~ Knowledge ~ Piety ~ Fear of the Lord

THIS WEEKEND

CUB SCOUT MASS - 9:30 AM
The following Cub Scouts will receive the Light of Christ medal today:
Tommy Acierno, Christopher Czubek, Colin Fitzpatrick, Alex Jackiewicz, Kevin Kinel, Jorje Lara, Anthony Lazarroni, Benedetto Modica, Jack Shortall

FATHER BOB GRIB, S.J. - 11:30 AM
Mass with reception to follow Mass in church vestibule

SECOND COLLECTION
EASTER FLOWERS
FOR OUR SANCTUARY

CASH RAFFLE TICKETS
ARE AVAILABLE AFTER ALL MASSES

Sacrificial Giving

March 15, 2015

Regular Sunday Offering	**$**	**13,834**
Electronic Giving Weekly Average February (four week average)	**$**	**1,194**
Total	**$**	**15,028**
Sunday Budget 2014-15	**$**	**16,000**
Over / (short)	***$***	***972***
Sharing Parish	**$**	**171**
To Teach Who Christ Is	**$**	**1,030**

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

THE NEW COVENANT

When the prophet Jeremiah coined the term "new covenant" he was actually doing something quite radical. For the Jewish people, there was only one covenant, the one made between the Lord God and Israel through Moses at Mount Sinai. For Jeremiah to suggest that God would somehow supersede the covenant with a new one would have sounded audacious to Jewish ears. But in this way he is a predecessor of Jesus who, in the Gospel of John, is continually portrayed as superseding the past, establishing the reign of God in a new way. And in today's Gospel passage, Jesus the "new covenant" speaks the language of his "new commandment" of love when he tells of the dying grain of wheat, and of our own need to die to self in order to be raised with Christ. As Lent ends and we prepare to enter into Holy Week, the dying grain of wheat serves as an excellent symbol of the kind of dying and self□sacrifice to which disciples are called, a symbol of that new covenant written deep within our hearts.

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HAPPENINGS

SUNDAY	**22**
9:30 am	Cub Scout Mass: CH
10:30 am	Breakfast with the Easter Bunny: SCH.RH
11:30 am	Fr. Bob's Mass & reception: CH
12:30 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
MONDAY	**23**
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	**24**
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
6:30 pm	Parish Pastoral Council: SCH.110
WEDNESDAY	**25**
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	Band Concert: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	RCIA: RECMR
THURSDAY	**26**
3:00 pm	Girl Scouts: SH.MR
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
FRIDAY	**27**
7:00 pm	Confirmation: CH
	Reception to follow Mass: SH.CTR
SATURDAY	**28**
10:00 am	AA.SCH.RH
12:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
SUNDAY	**29**
	PALM SUNDAY
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

"The Church beseeches that we may venerate Christ in the Eucharist. We show this "veneration" by going to visit Christ in the tabernacle. He dwells there, really present, he who was present in the crib, at Nazareth, upon the mountains of Judea, in the supper-room, upon the cross."
Blessed Columba Marmion

PLEASE COME -- VISIT JESUS

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, March 24 - 6:30 pm
School Room 110

There will be an Open Forum beginning at 6:30 pm and lasting one-half hour. Parishioners are welcome to attend.





Baptisms

Madalyn Kathleen O'Claire
Vincenza Lucia Pierri

BULLETIN COPY FOR THE BULLETIN OF *MARCH 29*
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BULLETIN COPY FOR THE BULLETIN OF *EASTER, APRIL 5*
NEEDS TO BE IN THE RECTORY OFFICE BY TUESDAY, MARCH 24 - 9:00 AM

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 Thursday in Filipino - 7:00 pm
St. Eugene Convent
7920 W. Foster, Chicago IL 60656
For more information please contact the convent at:773-467-0295

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Confirmation takes place on Friday, March 27.
No stations on this date.



LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Good Friday, April 3 - 3:00 pm

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, March 24 at 7:00 pm
Parish Reconciliation Service
(English, Italian, & Polish)

Wednesday, March 25
from 1:00 until 2:00 pm
(English, Italian, and Polish)

Saturday, March 28
from 4:00 until 5:00 pm
(Several Confessors, but **only English**)

CONFESSIONS EVERY SATURDAY 4:00 - 5:00 PM

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMANDI

On Friday, March 27, 2015, the St. Eugene 7th graders and religious education students will be confirmed. They have been preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation, and they are eager to become fully initiated Catholics. Their names are on display in the vestibule of the church. Please keep them in your prayers as they complete their studies.

WANTED:
Silent Auction & Raffle Prizes

St. Eugene School is hosting it's annual major fundraiser, the Round-Up, on Saturday, April 25th. More information will be coming soon. Right now we are seeking items for the Silent Auction and raffle baskets. We welcome any new/unused donations from parishioners. Your donation may be brought to the school or rectory office during regular office hours. Thank you.

You are invited to a fundraising "Seeds of Life Dinner Dance" sponsored by the Verbum Dei Missionary Sisters. Tickets are $45/person.
The proceeds will benefit the future retirement of the sisters and retreat house project in California.
Tickets can be purchased in the rectory.

Please bring entrance ticket to Dance.






Spare Change Saves Babies



Baby bottles should be returned during the weekend of **March 28 – 29 (Palm Sunday).**
The funds collected will be given to support the work of the Women's Center.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

MARCH FOOD DRIVE



will take place next weekend March 28 & 29.



THANK YOU AGAIN to those of you who contributed food and monetary donations to our Parish Food Drive in February. Your generous donations put food on many tables and provide aid to the poor in other ways. There are so many in need.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Our next Food Drive is March 28 & 29. All food donations should be dropped off no later than 11:30 am on Sunday, March 28. Monetary donations are always welcome. We could use a few volunteers to help load the truck at the beginning of the 11:30 am Mass. Thank you for your generous support of our Food Drives.



Our Spring Clothing Drive will take place the weekend of May 16 & 17.
More details to come.

**If you have large pieces of furniture you wish to donate,
you can always call SVDP at: 773-779-6700.**

PLEASE PRAY



***For the Sick*:** Pat Apida, Robert Apida, Linda Babusci, Rosemary Beyak, Michael Brennan, Baby Jeremy Brigante, Arthur Bronski, Dr. Patricia Brown, Rosa Canepa, Carmen Casneros, Cathy Cassettari, Lorna Chapuis, Franco Chiappetta, Infant Liam Thomas Clark, Mirna Cozzo, 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, Rev. Bob Grib, S.J., Michelle & Shaun Hamilton, David Hampal, Tim Heider, Anna Hoegerl, Patricia Imburgia, Kathy Jeskey, Linda Knight, Katherine Koeune, Olga Kykta, Peggy Leen, Allie Lim, Stephanie Lim, Vernon Lipps Jr., Rosaria Lombardo, Rosina Macak, 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, Michael Rowan, John Ruberti, Teresa Ruberti, Theresa Samborski, Jerry Schippers, Joanne Schippers, John Schuster, Bernadette Sedlacek, Michael Shannon, Yolanda Shannon, Dean Showalter, Michael Solberg, Emily Steckiewicz, Maxine Stefanowski, Janet Stryker, Frank Tenerello, Maria Tenuta, Erich Thuer, Rev. Fred Tomzik, Elvera Urso, Louanne Will, Mary Ann Zulawinski and for those who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes and under hospice care.

Newly added to our sick list: Delmar Furlow

For the Deceased:

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

MINISTRY OF CARE

Basic Ministry of Care Training will be offered this Spring. Training will take place on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 pm, on April 8, 15, 22, 29 and May 6, 2015 at Presence St. Benedict Nursing and Rehabilitations Center, Hollbrook Hall, 6930 W. Touhy Ave., Niles, IL (East of Milwaukee Ave., on Touhy). Registrants need to have the endorsement of a parish to be admitted.

Please call St. Eugene Rectory (773-775-6659) and leave your name and phone number if you are interested, and someone will return your call.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

SAVE THE DATE!!! HE'S BACK!!!
DICK BIONDI will again be at our next
SOCK HOP,
on ***Saturday, April 18th***, 6:00 - 10:00 pm.
Tickets will be available at the rectory beginning Monday, March 30th.

CRISIS PREGNANCY HELPLINE
1-800-400-4205

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
If you are in need of assistance, call the rectory. A member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will get back to you.



POPE FRANCIS
TWEET FOR THE WEEK
Lent is a time for drawing near to Christ by listening to the word of God and celebrating the sacraments.

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

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As we approach Holy Week, the creative juices of the ancient church of Jerusalem begin to shape our journey. In old Jerusalem at this season of the year, the attempt was made to recall the events leading up to Christ's passion. Those attempts were based not only on time, with celebrations of events as close to the day and hour as possible, but also on people's best guesses as to the actual place of these events. Vast numbers of pilgrims flooded the city during the forty days of Lent, many of them catechumens in their last stages of preparation for initiation. The fourth-century Spanish nun Egeria wrote a delightfully detailed diary of her experience of this lively and aerobic liturgy, which involved hearty singing, strong preaching, and nimble processions across vast and arduous terrain.

Much of this energy was lost over the centuries, with the procession of palms a noteworthy exception. Northern climates had to reinterpret this Jerusalem liturgy, using forsythia, willow, or olive branches, but to this day the entry into Holy Week by a community on the move accompanied by joyful song hearkens back to a venerable tradition. Egeria's letters were rediscovered a little more than a hundred years ago, but they reveal a pattern of prayer: full, conscious, active participation, to which we have a right and a duty.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

YEAR OF SACRAMENTS • ONE WORD AT A TIME

Stay



"I promise to be true to you in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health. I will love you and honor you all the days of my life." This is an impressive promise. In essence, it is a promise to **stay** with each other, whatever the circumstances of life. This is not an easy promise to make, nor is it an easy promise to keep. For those who enter marriage as more than a human covenant but as a sacrament, the promise takes on special meaning.

When a baptized man and a baptized woman promise in faith to stay with each other, they draw their *inspiration* and their *power* from Jesus Christ. "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age," he says at the very end of Matthew's Gospel (28:20). Elsewhere, he says, "I will not leave you orphaned." (John 14:18) The grace of permanence in marriage is truly a grace, not a human achievement.

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+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +

Saturday, March 21 - Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent
5:30 Sean Killen
Sunday, March 22 - Fifth Sunday of Lent
7:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Frank Esposito
Domenico Battista, Elmer Chanski,
Chris & Tadeusz Dabros, Bernard DiMeo,
Salvatore & Phil Dolcimascolo, Mary Dziukala,
Pamela Heider, Reginald Keinath,
Vince & Mary La Pietra Fam. & Friends,
Faro Manzella, Michael Vito Parente,
Franco Ricchio, Helena & Walter Siwiec,
Joseph & Anna Wilk, Victoria Wilk,
Ed & Victoria Wnek, Wytrwol Fams.
Joseph Yauch
4:30 Domenica Saglimbeni

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

Monday, March 23 - St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
6:30 Edward M. Pasdiora, Sr.
9:00 Vincent & John Bellisario
Tuesday, March 24
6:30 Francesco Culotta
9:00 Helen Wojtas
Wednesday, March 25 - The Annunciation of the Lord
6:30 Purgatorial Society
9:00 Domenica Di Cristofano, Helen & Walter Block,
Keely Family, Vince & Mary LaPietra Fam. & Fri.,
Giuseppa Santucci, Steven Sasenick
Thursday, March 26
6:30 William Walsh
9:00 Frank Winiarski
Friday, March 27
6:30 Int. of Vito Nardi
9:00 Marie Spence
7:00 Confirmation
Saturday, March 28
8:30 Living & Dec'd Mbrs. Bischof Fam.
Saturday, March 28 - Vigil:
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
5:30 Brian Barnett
Sunday, March 29 -
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
7:00 Rosaria Centineo
9:30 Joseph M. Swiderski, Jr.
11:30 Antonio Bellini, Frank Cairo,
Gina & Concetta Castellese,
Giorgio & Maria Castellese, Dorothy Chanski,
Gary Charlton, Jennifer Chesney,
George Concialdi, Filomena & Giuseppe Covello,
Michael & Dominick De Carlo, Jay Kearns,
John Kula, Joseph Kuzara,
Vince & Mary LaPietra Fam. & Friends,
Joe McCormack, Maura Mc Donagh,
John Mc Guane, Rose Nadile & Rocco Grande,
Franco Ricchio, Angelo & Anna Virdone,
Ed & Victoria Wnek
4:30 People of the Parish

+ MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

****Lector **Eucharistic Minister ***Server***
Saturday, March 28 - 8:30 am
*** **Team 16**
Saturday, March 28 - 5:30 pm
* J. Kusinski, D. Divello
** C. Edwards, A. Cisek, B. Brinlee, M. Guerrieri
*** **Team 1**
Mon., 3/30 - 9:00 am
Sunday, March 29 - 7:00 am
* M. Egan, J. Imburgia
** A. Bischof, P. Gerard, R. Perez, R. Trovela
*** **Team 2**
Tue., 3/31 - 9:00 am
Sunday, March 29 - 9:30 am
* D. Laterza, P. Conlon
** T. Swiderski, T. Swiderski, J. Horn, M. Meo
*** **Team 3**
Wed., 4/1 - 9:00 am
Sunday, March 29 - 11:30 am
* J. Sclafani, B. Gasiorek
** S. Sclafani, R. Spanola, A. LoForte, J. LoForte
*** **Team 4**
Thu., 4/2 - 7:30 pm
Sunday, March 29 - 4:30 pm
* R. Kopf, C. Hill
** N. Rodriguez, A. Rodriguez, C. Hill, R. Fiorante
*** **Team 5**
Fri., 4/3 - 7:30 pm

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.

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.

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.

Find St. Eugene on Facebook!

GOD'S IMAGE

Nature has perfections
in order to show that she is the image of God,
and defects to show that she is only God's image.
—Blaise Pascal



Parish Day of Fasting –
Wednesday, March 25, 2015

In the words of well-known Catholic author, Matthew Kelly: One of the prime purposes of fasting is to help us become aware of God's presence in our lives and in the world around us. Fasting also makes us aware of God's absence in different areas of our lives... Fasting is a means, but never an end. The purpose of fasting is to assist the soul in turning back to God. The benefits are innumerable, but all these benefits are secondary to the desire to embrace God more fully in our lives."

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

Were you raised Catholic… but do not come or seldom come to church anymore?

Are you a Catholic who feels separated from your church?

Would you like to know more about the Catholic Church as it is today?

Would you like to feel at home in the Catholic Church again?

No matter how long you have been away and no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church.

For more information, please call the rectory at: 773-775-6659 and ask to speak to any of our priests.

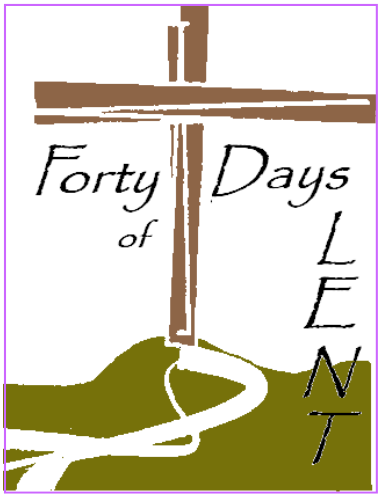


ANNULMENT SUPPORT MINISTRY

The Annulment Support Ministry is active at St. Eugene's. Chris O'Malley has been trained for this role. If you are considering an annulment, please contact the Rectory at: 773-775-6659 and leave a message. Chris will return your call and help you to begin the healing process of annulment.

From FASTING to FEASTING

Fast from judging others; **feast on seeing the best in people.**
Fast from emphasis on differences; **feast on the unity of all life.**
Fast from despair; **feast on hope.**
Fast from thoughts of illness; **feast on the healing power of God.**
Fast from words that destroy; **feast on phrases that are encouraging.**
Fast from discontent; **feast on gratitude.**
Fast from anger; **feast on patience.**
Fast from being negative; **feast on being positive.**
Fast from worry; **feast on trust.**
Fast on complaining; **feast on appreciation.**
Fast from hostility; **feast on peacemaking.**
Fast from bitterness; **feast on forgiveness.**
Fast from constant activity; **feast on recognizing the sacred in all of life.**
Fast from self-concern; **feast on compassion for others.**



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the guide to How To Go To Confession
(take this sheet with you... it's okay, really)

Before You Go...

Examine your conscience, that is, reflect on what sins you have committed. To guide you, just Google "examination of conscience" and you'll find many resources to help you. It's even alright to make a list to bring with you to confession if that helps.

1. Introduction. When you come before the priest, begin by making the Sign of the Cross (praying the words out loud), and continue by saying, "Bless me, Father, I have sinned. It has been *(how long)* since my last confession. These are my sins..."

2. Confession. List the sins you have committed that came to mind when doing your examination of conscience. Don't be too general (like, "I haven't been a good person"), but a lot of detail is not necessary either (you don't need to tell the whole story of how a sin came about). If you're not sure if something is a sin is, just ask the priest. This isn't counseling, so unless you ask, the priest likely won't give you advice. He'll just move on to...

3. Penance. The priest will suggest something for you to do or pray as a response to God's mercy. You'll have to remember what this is and do it after the confession is over, so pay attention.

4. Contrition. The priest will then ask you to pray your "Act of Contrition," demonstrating your sorrow for your sins. This needs to be prayed out loud for the priest to hear, but need not adhere exactly to one formula. Here are two examples (choose the one that suits you best):

ACT OF CONTRITION

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,
I have sinned against You whom I should love
above all things. I firmly intend, with your help,
to do penance, to sin no more, and
to avoid whatever leads me to sin.
Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.
In his name, my God, have mercy.

OR:

O my God, I am heartily sorry
for having offended you and I detest all my sins,
because I dread the loss of heaven
and the pains of hell;
but most of all because they offend you, my God,
who are all good and deserving of all my love.
I firmly resolve with the help of your grace,
to confess my sins, to do penance,
and to amend my life. Amen.

5. Absolution. Don't get up to leave after that prayer, because the best part is yet to come: the priest will extend his hands in your direction and he will pray the **Prayer of Absolution:** "God, the Father of Mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son, has reconciled the world to himself and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins. Through the ministry of the Church, may God give you pardon and peace. And I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."
You respond: Amen.

6. Conclusion. The priest will then likely say something like, "God has freed you from your sin. Go in Peace." To which you can respond: **"Thanks be to God."**

After You Leave...
Don't forget to do your penance.
If it is saying certain prayers,
it's best to do it right away in the church before you forget.

2014-15 PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE COMMISSIONS IN WHICH THEY ARE INVOLVED

PARISH LIFE COMMISSION

The Parish Life Commission aims to help build community and foster a sense of belonging in the parish. It encompasses the ministries and organizations whose primary goal is to build faith by providing for the communal, social and recreational needs of St. Eugene Parish.

Parish Life Commission Ministries include:

Altar & Rosary Society
Athletic Board
Church Support Tabulators
Finance Council
Knights of Columbus
Market Day
Parish Pastoral Council
Scouting
St. Joseph's Table
Super Alumni Weekend
Trot 'n Treat 5K Run/Walk
Young - at - Heart Club

Pastoral Council Representatives: Parish Life Commission

Tony Mion

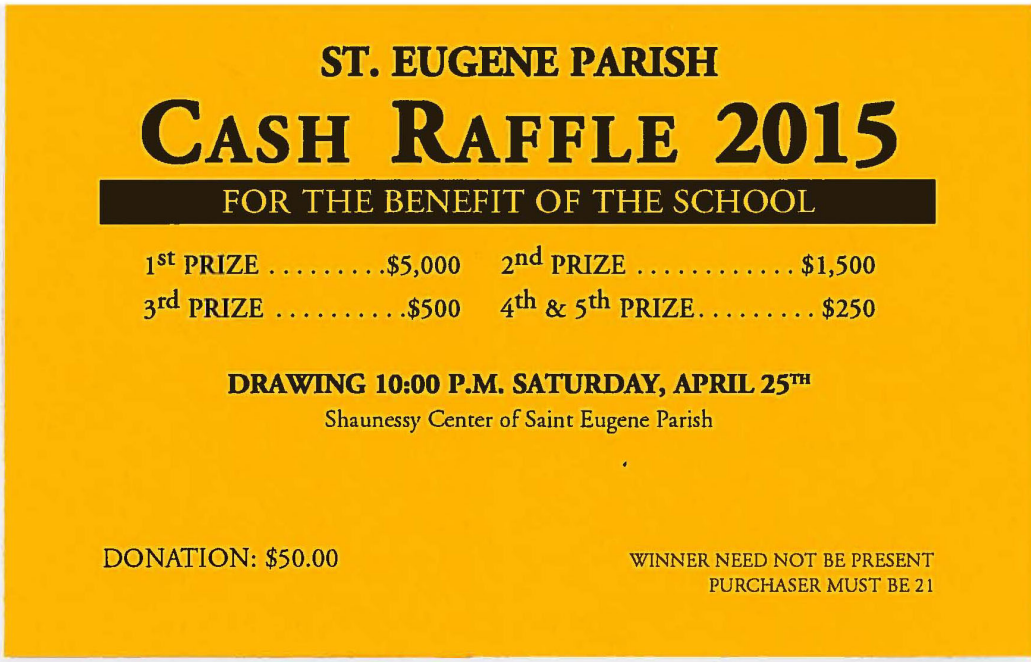


Tony is a retired corporate architect and a parishioner since 1999. He is a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Joseph's Table Committee, and a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus.

Maria Salvador



This is Maria's fourth year as a member of the Parish Council. Maria is a graduate of St. Eugene School. She and her husband Carlo were married here. Her son and daughter are also graduates of St. Eugene. Maria has served as a Girl Scout leader and coordinator for our Parish and during that time received the Elizabeth Ann Seton Award. Maria was president of the Altar & Rosary Society in 2000 and 2013. She was recipient of the ACCW's Woman of the Year Award. Additionally, Maria is a board member of the Senior Assistance Center in Norridge and a current member and past President of the Rotary Club of Norridge-Harwood Heights. Maria is the Managing Broker and President of her real estate and consulting firm. She has also served in various committee positions for a number of real estate organizations.



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.. 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_____

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Phone_____

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

Any questions: 773-763-2235

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
MATTHEW SCOTT FORREST
ANDREW HOPKINS
BRANDON JACKSON
CHRISTOPHER JENKINS
JACK KANE
JAMES TYLER MARBACH
CHRIS MARCHIORI
KEITH MILLER
MEGAN MILLER
AUGUSTINE EMEKA NDIWE
THOMAS NEUHENGEN
CATHERINE ANN (BARHAM) NEWELL
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.