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Chicago, IL 60656

THE VOICE

Third Sunday of Advent **December 13, 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.

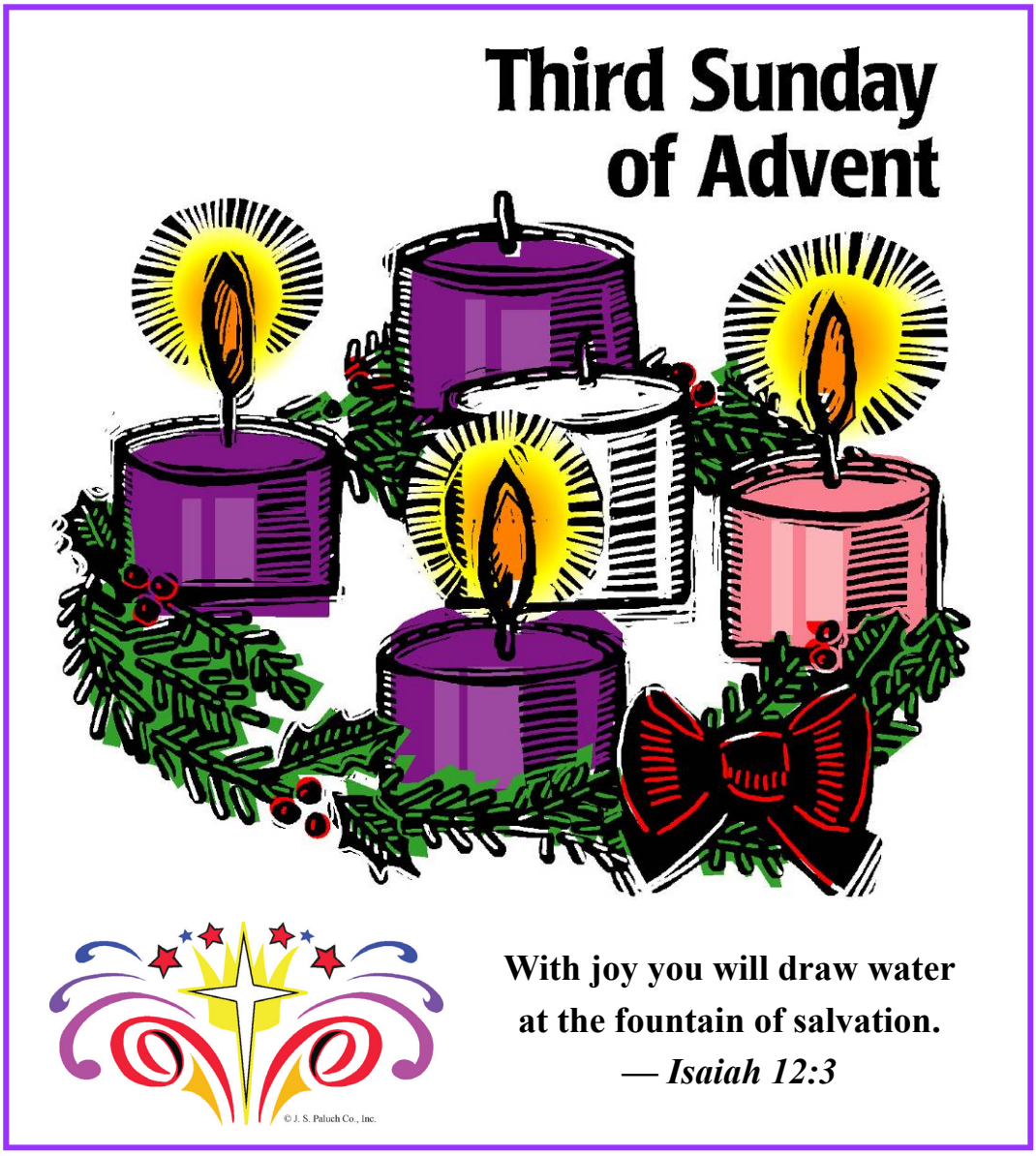
BAPTISMS: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 1:00 PM. Baptismal Preparation Class the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM in the rectory. Please telephone the rectory to register.

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.



With joy you will draw water at the fountain of salvation.
— Isaiah 12:3

Parish Staff

Rev. George Koeune, Pastor
Rev. James J. O'Brien, Pastor Emeritus
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Rev. John Hetland, Associate Pastor
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Mrs. Joanna Bischof, Mrs. Pat Conlon, 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



PASTOR'S CORNER



Simbang Gabi

Next week at the Saturday 5:30 p.m. Mass, we will be celebrating the Filipino tradition of *Simbang Gabi*. For those of you unfamiliar with this festivity, *Simbang Gabi* literally means "Masses of the Night."

The tradition of *Simbang Gabi* is a nine-day novena in anticipation of Christmas. Many people dedicate the nine days of prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is very appropriate, since Mary plays such an important role in our faith. As I have said many times, Mary is the best intercessor we can call upon. It is wise to ask her to pray for us during the Advent and Christmas Seasons.

The *Simbang Gabi* Masses in our area are usually accompanied with extra lights in church and extra songs of anticipation. These Masses are a great source of spiritual nourishment as we prepare for the Christ-Child to come into our lives. I hope that many parishioners can join us next week at the 5:30 p.m. Mass to experience this wonderful Filipino tradition. The Filipino communities that host *Simbang Gabi* usually showcase their culture after Mass with singing, dancing and food. *Simbang Gabi* celebrations are a reminder that we are close to the celebration of the birth of Our Savior. "The Lord is near." (Phil 4:4-5)

Yours in Christ,

Fr. George









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THIS WEEKEND

SECOND COLLECTION
RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS
AFTER THE 9:30 AM MASS

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
10:30 am - Shaunessy Center
Cost: $10 per child & $5 per adult
Tickets available at the door



OPLATEK
AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE
AFTER ALL MASSES
(and at the rectory during the week.)

MITTEN TREE (see page 4)



All of the names for the
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
CHRISTMAS GIFT PROGRAM
have been taken.



Please remember all gifts need to be returned next Sunday, December 20 no later than11:00 am.

Sacrificial Giving

December 6, 2015

Regular Sunday Offering	**$**	**15,553**
Electronic Giving Weekly Average November (five week average)	**$**	**1,005**
Total	**$**	**16,558**
Sunday Budget 2015-16	**$**	**16,000**
Over / (short)	***$***	***558***
To Teach Who Christ Is	**$**	**3,192**
Sharing Parish	**$**	**38**
Christmas Flowers	**$**	**3,072**

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	**13**
10:30 am	Breakfast with Santa: SH.CTR+MR
MONDAY	**14**
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM	
3:15 pm	Cub Scouts: SH.MR
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	School Event: SH.RH
7:00 pm	St. Vincent de Paul Society: SH.110
7:00 pm	Choir for Simbang Gabi: CH
TUESDAY	**15**
3:00 pm	School Event: SCH.RH
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
WEDNESDAY	**16**
3:00 pm	Girl Scouts: SH.MR
4:00 pm	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
6:30 pm	Altar & Rosary Board Meeting: SH.MR
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus: SCH.110
7:00 pm	Choir for Simbang Gabi: CH
THURSDAY	**17**
3:00 pm	Girl Scouts: SH.MR
3:00 pm	Children's Choir: SCH.110
4:00 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	Adult Choir: CH
FRIDAY	**18**
6:00 pm	Cub Scouts: SCH.RH
SATURDAY	**19**
9:00 am	Athletic Program: SH.CTR
9:15 am	Liturgy Committee: REC.DR
10:00 am	AA.SCH.RH
5:30 pm	**Return St. Vincent de Paul gifts: CH**
SUNDAY	**20**
Return St. Vincent de Paul gifts by 11:00 am: CH	
9:30 am	Family Mass featuring PS, PK & KDG: CH
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

"At your feet, O my Jesus,
I prostrate myself and I offer you
the repentance of my contrite heart."

PLEASE COME — VISIT JESUS

PEOPLE OF THE CROSS UNITED

FBI Director James Comey recently said that the recruitment of potential homegrown terrorist by ISIS is widespread and goes on "24 hours a day" across the United States. Hundreds of people in the U.S. through social media are being enticed to join the extremists overseas or "if you can't come, kill where you are." Pray that those who are caving in to this type of brainwashing will find their needs fulfilled in Jesus.



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
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For more information please contact the convent at:773-467-0295

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
Monday, December 14 - 7:00 pm
School Room 110

This is our regular monthly meeting. We ask all members to be present. We are always looking for new members -- wouldn't you like to join us?



SINGERS WANTED FOR SIMBANG GABI

The Simbang Gabi, or "Night Mass", is considered a symbol of sharing in the Philippines. What better way to show this than to share your talent of song with our congregation? We are welcoming all singers to join in our Simbang Gabi, to be held on Saturday, December 19, 2015 at 5:30 pm



We will have 2 more rehearsals in December:

Monday, December 14 at 7:00 pm
Wednesday, December 16 at 7:00 pm

All rehearsals will be held in church.

SINGERS WANTED!
Thursdays - 7:00 pm
Church



The St. Eugene Adult Choir has started their choral season and we want **YOU** to join! Our rehearsals will be held on Thursdays, at 7 pm, in St. Eugene Church. All are welcome! Please send an email to music@st-eugene.org or call the rectory at 773-775-6659 if you would like more information.

Hope to see you there!
Lydia Hilado, Director of Music

STRENGTH AND COURAGE
Prayer infuses the weak with strength
and the fainthearted with courage.

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

The Young at Heart Club will not meet during the months of December and January. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 11:30 am. We Wish you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ADVENT 2015 - SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday, December 18	-	1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (English, Polish, & Italian)
Saturday, December 19	-	4:00 - 5:00 p.m. (English only)
Tuesday, December 22	-	**7:00 p.m. - Communal Reconciliation Service (English, Italian & Polish)**

CELEBRATE

This Sunday, God rejoices and sings because of us. We read in Zephaniah today that God "will sing joyfully because of you, / as one sings at festivals" (Zephaniah 3:18). We know plenty about singing at festivals. Already our ears are ringing with the songs and carols that anticipate the Christmas season.

Paul reminds us of the source of our own double rejoicing: God is the mighty savior who is in our midst (in Zephaniah's words). Because this is so, says Paul, we can rejoice and be at ease. We don't have to worry, for God's peace will stand guard over our hearts and minds.

A medieval carol depicts Christmas as "my dancing day" and urges us to enter into the dance. Why all the merrymaking? Because "the Lord is near," as Paul reminds us (Philippians 4:5). He then points to another reason for the dancing: the dawn of the promise of peace, the peace beyond all understanding, that is now within our grasp.

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CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS



The greatest gift of the Christmas season is love. The scarf, mitten/glove tree (for all ages) will be in the vestibule of the Church from the Third Sunday of Advent until the fourth Sunday of Advent. The tree items are distributed with the help of the Vincent DePaul Society. God Bless Everyone!



BULLETIN COPY FOR THE BULLETIN OF DECEMBER 27
NEEDS TO BE IN THE RECTORY OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16 - 9:00 AM
&
BULLETIN COPY FOR THE BULLETIN OF JANUARY 3
NEEDS TO BE IN THE RECTORY OFFICE BY TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22- 9:00 AM

Christmas Choir



The St. Eugene Choir invites Parishioners to sing with them on the glorious Feast of Christmas for the 10:00 PM Christmas Midnight Mass and/or the 11:30 AM Mass on Christmas Day. There will be one rehearsal in church on Thurs, Dec. 17th at 7:00 PM.

Even if you have never sung with a choir before but still enjoy singing the music of the Christmas Season please consider joining us for these Festive Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Lydia Hilado at the rectory number: (773) 775-6659.



POPE FRANCIS
TWEET FOR THE WEEK
May the Jubilee of Mercy bring us all closer to God's goodness and love!

CRISIS PREGNANCY HELPLINE
1-800-400-4205

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 PRAY

***For the Sick*:** Linda Adamczyk, Annabella Amato, Pat Apida, Robert Apida, Rosemary Beyak, Carrie Veth Booher, Arthur Bronski, Rosa Canepa, Cathy Cassettari, Franco Chiappetta, Katherine D. Cilley, Infant Liam Thomas Clark, Francesca M. Concialdi, Mirna Cozzo, Ed Czerwinski, Marge Dyson, Don Feist, Carol Gasiorek, Robert W. Gelfond, Raymond Glos, Frances Gofron, Rev. Bob Grib, S.J., Michelle & Shaun Hamilton, Tim Heider, Barbara Hinze, Patricia Imburgia, Kathy Jeskey, Linda Knight, Katherine Koeune, Bill Krzywicki, Olga Kykta, Rose Marie La Coppola, Rosaria Lombardo, Marco Lomibao, Rosina Macak, Rose Mary Maratto, Rosemary Marinello, Piera Martinucci, John Masley, Nick Milazzo, Michael C. Muscarello, Virginia Muscarello, Delio & Rosalie Napoli, Leo Navickis, Richard Oberheim, Dorothy O'Leary, Deacon Ed O'Leary, Robynn O'Leary, Lois Pallo, Bertha Pappalardo, Isaac Parris, Lena Pighini, Norma Quilici, Gerry Randazzo, Charlotte Rice, Rita Rogers, John Ruberti, Teresa Ruberti, Leo Samborski, Theresa Samborski, Jerry Schippers, Joanne Schippers, Patrick Schippers, John Schuster, Michael Shannon, Yolanda Shannon, Dean Showalter, Michael Solberg, Emily Steckiewicz, Maxine Stefanowski, Janet Stryker, Thomas Joseph "T.J.", Maria Tenuta, Rev. Fred Tomzik, Beverly Wijas, Louanne Will, Linda Yeazel, Mary Ann Zulawinski and for those who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes and under hospice care.

Newly added to our sick list: John Janik, Marie Sauser, Theresa F. Zumer

For the Deceased: Wanda (Krystyna) Staszewski, Natividad Verano

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

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This week, our celebration of Advent makes a transition in ritual and texts. Beginning December 18, the countdown of nine days (a novena) to Christmas sees a heightened sense of expectation, and also a turning from the call of the Baptist in the wilderness to the events leading up to Jesus' birth. In ancient Spain, December 18 was once celebrated as the "Feast of the Expectancy," and customs grew up to heighten readiness in the homes.

Some customs arise from monastic life and practice and spill over into our parish life. Beginning tonight, those who pray Vespers will sing in the opening phrase a beautiful title of Christ. These titles belong to a collection of opening phrases called the "O Antiphons" after the awe-inspired "O" sung on the first note. There's a playful code in the titles: O Wisdom, O Lord, O Flower of Jesse, O Key of David, O Dawn, O Ruler, O Emmanuel. When you take their Latin names—*Sapientia, Adonai, Radix*, and so on—the titles form an acrostic when you read them backwards: "ERO CRAS." In Latin, that is translated as "I will be there tomorrow!" It's as if Christ were answering the prayers of the waiting people in the words of the prayers themselves.

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

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 # _____

PLANNED PARENTHOOD AND PUBLIC POLICY: How Can You Make a Difference for Life?

We invite you to join us, together with Carly Fiorina, for a conversation on Monday evening, December 14, from 9 to 10 pm ET.

The Susan B. Anthony List and Priests for Life are jointly sponsoring a webcast in which we will address the topic, Planned Parenthood and Public Policy: How Can You Make a Difference for Life?

You can join us either by telephone or online. ***Register to let us know that you will join us! PriestsForLife.org/Webcast***

MINISTRY OF CARE TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Ministers of Care bring the Eucharist to those who are sick, homebound, or elderly. If you would like to arrange a visit, please contact the rectory by calling: 773-775-6659.

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.

AN ADVENT PRAYER

May the God of peace make us completely holy.
May God keep us blameless in spirit, soul and body
for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Forever faithful is the One who calls us—God our Father!
Expectant, let us live in joyful hope
for the revelation of the glory
of our God and Savior, Christ Jesus!
To him be glory forever!
Come, Lord Jesus! Your grace be with us all.

—From *Come, Lord Jesus* by Lucien Deiss, CSSp, copyright 1976, 1981, Lucien Deiss. Published by World Library Publications. p. 127

THE JUBILEE OF MERCY

The Jubilee of Mercy, proclaimed by Pope Francis began on December 8, 2015 and concludes with the Feast of Christ the King on November 20, 2016

The Jubilee of Mercy is a graced opportunity for all of us to appreciate more deeply how the mercy of God has taken hold of our lives and, at the same time, how we can bring that mercy into the world through our own actions and the way we live our lives. The Jubilee of Mercy will be celebrated in the Archdiocese of Chicago with a full schedule of events and array of resources. Among these are:

- The commencement of the Jubilee with the opening of the Holy Door on Sunday, December 13 at Holy Name Cathedral.
- The designation of 32 pilgrimage sites throughout the Archdiocese, where the faithful can receive indulgences.
- A special weekly resource, *One Word at a Time,* developed for parishes and individuals to help put merciful actions into practice.
- Stories related to the Jubilee of Mercy will appear regularly in our Archdiocesan newspaper, the Catholic New World and Chicago Católico.
- A monthly video segment, "Mercy Moments," will highlight testimonials from individuals and how they experienced or encountered God's mercy.
- Fr. Louis Cameli's newest book, *Rejoicing in Mercy: A Prayer Commentary on the Gospel of Luke.*
- "Adopt a Work of Mercy" pamphlet, with a call to all Catholics to commit to one of the corporal or spiritual works of mercy.

These, and many more resources, will be available on the Office for the New Evangelization website: www.jubileemercy.org. Please look for Jubilee of Mercy updates on the Archdiocesan website as well as your parish bulletin.

+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +

Saturday, December 12 - Vigil: Third Sunday of Advent
5:30 Agnes Wahrbein
Sunday, December 13 - Third Sunday of Advent
7:00 Rachelle Turano-Wojcik
9:30 Dec'd Mbrs. Betz Fam.
11:30 Maria Amorosso, Filomena Balice, Florence Borufski, Leonard Cataldo, Maciej Dun, Boguslaw Frycz, Genovise Fam., Rev. Kzimierz Kowalski, Hinze & Moriarty Fams., Vince & Mary LaPietra Fam. & Fris., Gene Meyer, Frances & Vincent Nowaczik, Rosa & Vincenzo Scaletta, Paul & Vincenza Scianna, In Thanksgiving to St. Lucy, Joseph & Anna Wilk
4:30 People of the Parish

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

Monday, December 14 - St. John of the Cross
6:30 Lia Gerard
9:00 Walter & Helen Block
Tuesday, December 15
6:30 Lucille Godziszewski
9:00 Beatrice Calderisi
Wednesday, December 16
6:30 Purgatorial Society
9:00 Florence Borufski, Charles Davis, Vince & Mary LaPietra Fam. & Fri., In honor of St. Lucy, Richard Lyons, Helen Manda, Int. for Bernadette Stevenson
Thursday, December 17
6:30 Ken Rogers
9:00 James Meyer
Friday, December 18
6:30 Maria DeSantis
9:00 Andrew & Joan Maier
Saturday, December 19
8:30 Joseph Jagiello
Saturday, December 19 - Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Advent
5:30 Joseph Schmelter
Sunday, December 20 - Fourth Sunday of Advent
7:00 Mary Dziukala
9:30 Zofia & Paul Cholewicki
11:30 Betty & John Gebhardt - 1st Wedd. Anniv., Florence Borufski, Leonard Cataldo, Fiorino Colantonio, George Concialdi, Roy Corrigan, Giuseppe & Filomena Covello, Dominic & Michael DeCarlo, Maciej Dun, Boguslaw Frycz, Amalia Gennaro, Betty Gleeson, Pamela Heider, Rev. Kazimierz Kowalski Vince & Mary LaPietra Fam. & Fri., Mariano Manzella, Casto Neri, Esther Smith, Stanley Sulikowski, Frank Tenerello, Nicola Troiano, Andy Vail, Ed & Victoria Wnek
4:30 People of the Parish

+ MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

Saturday, December 19 - 8:30 am
*** **Team 4**
Saturday, December 19 - 5:30 pm
* P. Basili
** M.B. Glynn, M. Kenny, P. Schippers, J. Schmitt
*** **Team 5**
Mon., 12/21 - 9:00 am
Sunday, December 20 - 7:00 am
* J. Bischof
** C. Paulini, A. Bischof, P. Gerard, R. Trovela
*** **Team 6**
Tue., 12/22 - 9:00 am
Sunday, December 20 - 9:30 am
* School Lector
** R. Kennedy, M. Lopez, T. Swiderski, T. Swiderski
*** **Team 7**
Wed., 12/23 - 9:00 am
Sunday, December 20 - 11:30 am
* J. Sclafani
** G. Bermas, M. Cozzo, A. LoForte, S. Sclafani
*** **Team 8**
Thurs. 12/24 - 9:00 am
Sunday, December 20 - 4:30 pm
* P. Brown
** R. Kopf, D. Lazzaroni, Y. Sarmiento, L. Vasich
*** **Team 9**



Liam Timothy Bujak
Luca Andrea Laudando

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.

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.

ST. EUGENE HONOR ROLL

The following students were not included in the First Trimester Honor Roll. We are very sorry for the omission.

High Honors: Emily Kinel
Joshua Rios

Honors: Marina Capasso
Joseph Molley

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TESTING THE CLASS OF 2020

Saturday, January 9, 2016

Please call the school of your choice for details and time of the testing.

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS

ST. PATRICK: Robert Fiorante, Luke Tomzik, Jacob England, Sean Rickert, Roc Salvo, Michael Taylor, Sean Ek, Edward Wiss, Michael Korhonen

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

The winning entries in the Knights of Columbus "KEEP CHRIST in CHRISTMAS" poster contest at St. Eugene School will be on display throughout the Christmas season in the rear vestibule of the church.

ST. EUGENE SCHOOL ANNUAL SPRING FUNDRAISER

St. Eugene's annual spring fundraiser of the year is set for April 30, 2016 in our Shaunessy Center and we hope to see you there! While that may seem a long time away, we know that once the holidays pass, the event will come up quickly. Preliminary planning is beginning now. Steve Rog is Chairperson for the Spring Fundraiser. Ann Gariti has volunteered as Chairperson for the Silent Auction component for this year's fundraiser. The financial success of the fundraiser relies heavily on the auction items. If you can help secure auction items, it would be much appreciated. Any donation would be most appreciated! Ann Gariti can provide you a template letter to provide to potential donors. Below are some ideas for items:

Professional Sporting Event Tickets
Collegiate Sporting Tickets or gear
Gift baskets from local high schools
Spa / Beauty Gift Certificates or baskets
Jewelry
Holiday related items
Hotel Vouchers
Passes or tickets to recreational shows or theme parks
Golf - rounds of golf, accessories, etc.
Liquor - Wine
Bar Ware
Picnic Accessories
Workout Accessories
Fishing Accessories
Gift Cards (Stores/Restaurants)
Any unique gift items!

All donations/gift baskets can be dropped off at St. Eugene's but it would be much appreciated if you could advise Ann of your donation since she is cataloging the items.

Any questions, or if you would like to become more involved please contact
Ann Gariti
773-704-1461
gariti2005@sbcglobal.net

St. Eugene School

OPEN HOUSE!

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(773) 763-2237

Thursday, December 17th (9:00 - 11:00 a.m.)
Sunday, January 24, 2016 (10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)
Wednesday, February 17, 2016 (6:30 - 8:00 p.m.)

- **3 Yr. PS/ 4 Yr. PK: Full and Half Day Programs**
- **Kindergarten– 8th Grade**
- **Before and After School Care**
- **Strive for children to grow spiritually**
- **We cater to our students' interests with a variety of extracurricular activities.**
- **Our graduates successfully move on to prestigious high schools.**

Academic Excellence
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ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE SECOND



SIMBANG GABI

at

ST. EUGENE PARISH



MASS WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2015 AT 5:30 PM IN CHURCH





PLEASE JOIN US AFTER MASS TO SHARE A MEAL
(offering authentic Filipino dishes)
IN THE SHAUNESSY CENTER



SPONSORED BY:
THE FILIPINO AMERICAN GROUP
& ST. EUGENE PARISH

For more information please contact:

Yolly Sarmiento: 847-284-0524
or
Evelina Habacon-Hilado: 773-763-5197

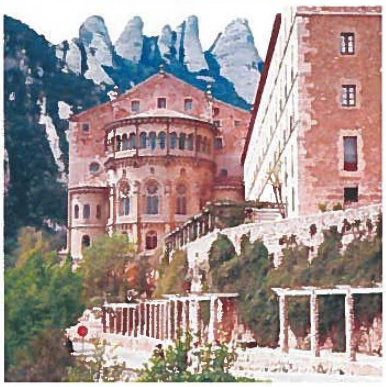
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PILGRIMAGE TO PORTUGAL & SPAIN

featuring Madrid and Barcelona

11 DAYS: SEPTEMBER 26 – OCTOBER 6, 2016



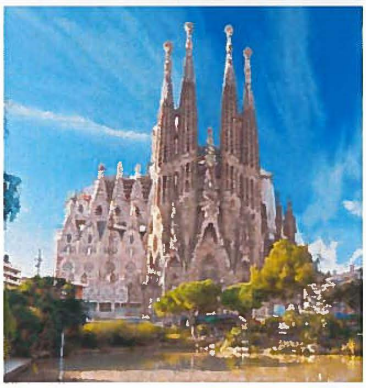



Visiting

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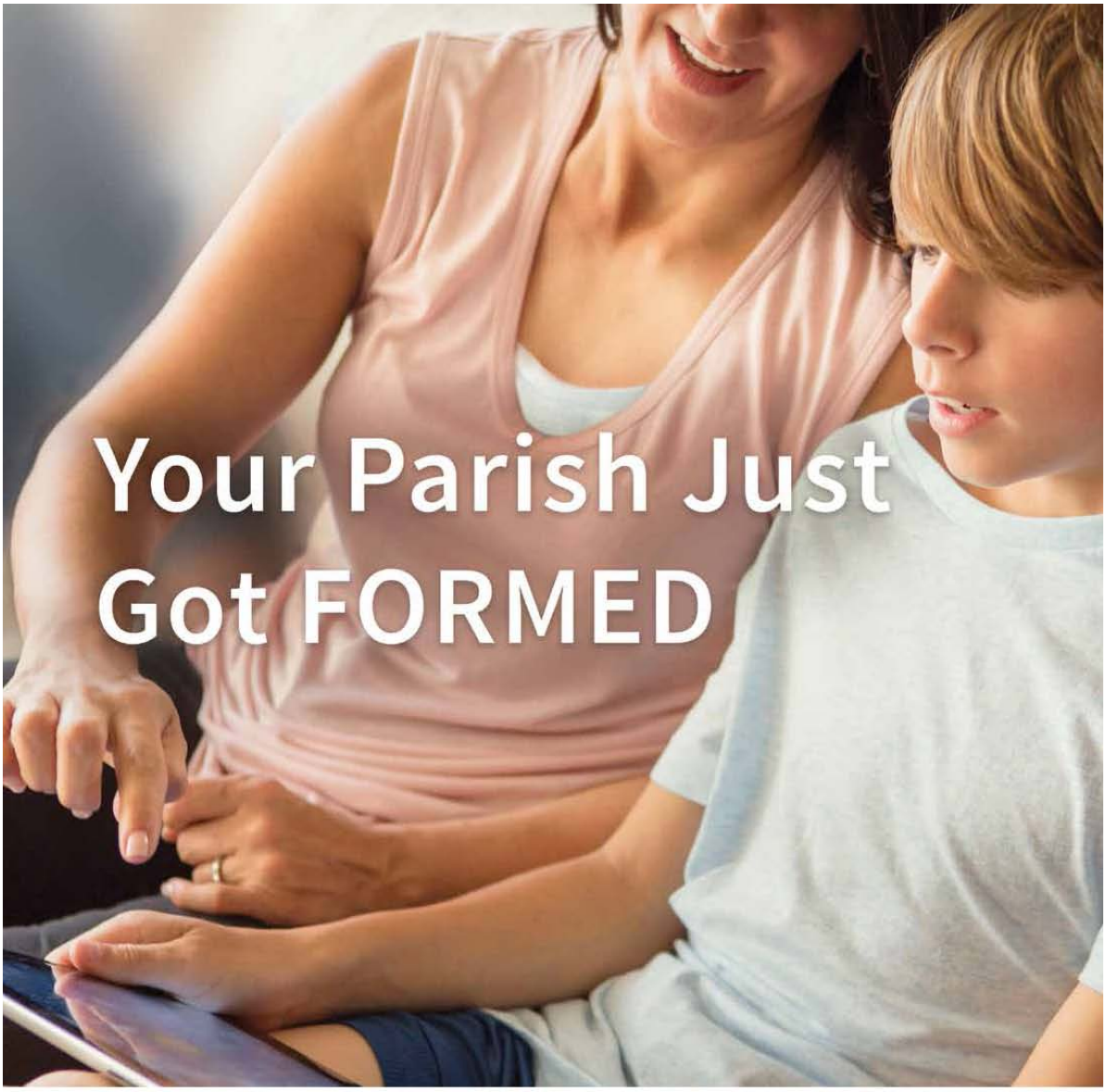
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We ask all of our parishioners, if you have a loved one serving in the military, to please contact the rectory office to give us the name of the soldier, so the whole parish can pray for your loved one. A book in the church vestibule is available for 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
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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.