St. Eugene Parish
Chicago, IL 60656

THE VOICE

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time **October 1, 2017**

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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.

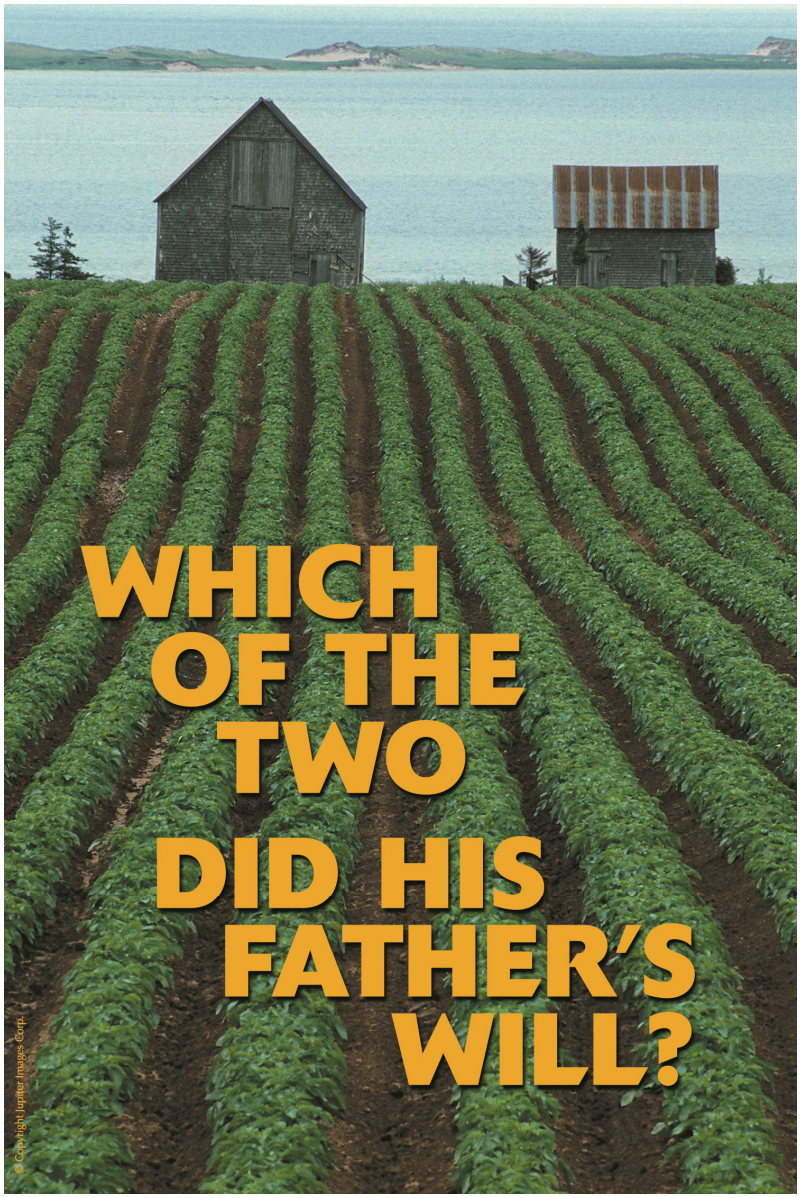
BAPTISMS: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 1:00 PM. Baptismal Preparation Class the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM in the rectory. Please telephone the rectory to register.

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.



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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.

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

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.

The Sin of Abortion

A while back, a woman approached me and asked when St. Eugene Parish was going to stop praying for an end to the sin of abortion. "You pray for this every week! When are you going to stop?" My answer to her question was very simple: "When our country stops accepting the murder of innocent babies (and the murder of those deemed sick or unworthy of life), then I will stop praying every week for an end to the sin of abortion (and euthanasia)."

It is tragic, but, abortion has become widely accepted by society. Many people see nothing wrong with this evil, and, many of our young people have been duped into the belief that abortion and other evils are okay. Human life is a gift from God. We are stewards of life. Yet, a different belief is being promoted by our society. In fact, there is a large push to take God out of the picture entirely.

An unborn baby is called a fetus by society. The word fetus tends to downplay the reality that it is an unborn baby. In fact, the word "fetus" is a Latin word that means "little one" in our language. It is a little one (a baby) that is developing in the mother's womb. Even at only 2 inches long, the baby already has teeth, fingers, toes and forty muscles that begin their first exercises. At eight weeks old the little one can also suck its thumb.

I refuse to use the word fetus when speaking about an unborn baby. Such language corrupts the reality of what happens when their lives are taken in an abortion. Society tells young mothers that it is just a "fetus" and that an abortion is a simple procedure. The truth of the matter is that it is an unborn baby. It is a little one. A mother who allows harm to come to her baby in her womb should not be fooled into thinking it is a simple procedure. The physical, emotional, and spiritual harm that comes from an abortion is rarely discussed in the media. However, from my ministry, I know the horrible after effects many women go through after having an abortion. The guilt is very real and it is something that many women (and men) struggle with every single day.

Our society and the media often portray people who are Pro-Life as crazy people. While at the same time, the media often looks upon those who support abortion (or Pro-Choice) as sane and rational. It is a twisted society we live in where those who take the lives of unborn babies are seen as rational, and those who are trying to protect the little ones are seen as fanatics. Again, fetus is a Latin word that means "little one". It is an unborn baby, a little one, growing in their mother's womb. If society and the media wish to portray those who cherish life as crazy, then we should be proud to be called crazy. It is better to be crazy and cherish life, than to be insane and seek to take the life of an unborn baby.

Until the sin of abortion is stopped in our country, it is our duty as faithful catholics to continue to pray for it to cease. Those innocent babies have no voice but ours. We cannot afford to be silent in the face of the greatest evil perpetrated against life. In my opinion, to be silent in the face of such evil would be tantamount to acceptance of the sin. We simply cannot be silent and call ourselves followers of Jesus Christ. Simply put, we will stop praying for an end of the sin of abortion, when the sin of abortion has ended.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. George

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THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
St. Eugene Fall Fest
See page 5

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY
MASS 9:30 AM
ROSARY BEGINS AT 9:05 AM

GOD'S WAYS

In the stream of readings during this portion of Ordinary Time, one week's texts can often appear to pick up exactly where the previous week's concluded. The sentiments expressed in today's first reading seem to be a direct reaction to the Gospel passage we heard last week. In that Gospel, the landowner pays the same wages to his workers whether they worked for a full day or for only a few minutes. Today Ezekiel gives us the lament, "The LORD's way is not fair!" (Ezekiel 18:25). These Sundays in Ordinary Time offer us a glimpse into the ways of the Lord. We see how God's way has the tendency to turn the accepted conventions of the day upside down. Those who always expected that their way to heaven was guaranteed are disappointed. Those who thought they never had a chance are given that chance. Today offers us another opportunity to discover the abundance of God's mercy and love.

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Sacrificial Giving

September 24, 2017

Regular Sunday Offering	**$**	**10,823**
Electronic Giving September 18 to September 24 $762 from 37 families	**$**	**762**
Total	**$**	**12,453**
Sunday Budget 2017-18	**$**	**16,000**
Over / (short)	***$***	***3,547***
To Teach Who Christ Is	**$**	**672**
Sharing Parish	**$**	**137**
Seminarian Collection	**$**	**3,684**

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISH. YOUR EFFORTS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED.
Visit our giving page by going to our web site (www.st-eugene.org)

HAPPENINGS

SUNDAY	**1**
9:30 am	Altar & Rosary Society Mass
	Rosary starts at 9:05 am: CH
12:30 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
MONDAY	**2**
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM	
3:15 pm	Cub Scouts: SH.MR
4:00 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
TUESDAY	**3**
11:30 am	Young at Hearts Club: SH.CTR
6:30 pm	Altar & Rosary Society: SH.CTR+MR
WEDNESDAY	**4**
4:00 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
4:00 pm	Blessing of animals: in front of church
6:30 pm	School Advisory Committee: SCH.110
7:00 pm	Parish Pastoral Council
	Fall Lecture Series: CH
THURSDAY	**5**
3:00 pm	Girl Scouts: SH.MR
4:00 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	RCIA: REC.DR
FRIDAY	**6**
7:00 pm	Bunco: SH.CTR+MR
SATURDAY	**7**
9:00 am	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
10:00 am	AA: SCH:RH
5:30 pm	Knights of Columbus
	Fannie Mae Candy Sale: CH
SUNDAY	**8**
	Knights of Columbus
	Fannie Mae Candy Sale
	after all Masses: CH

FACILITY CODES

CH	**Church**
CV	**Convent**
REC.LL	**Rectory Lower Level**
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

In your presence, O divine Jesus,
and before your holy altar,
I take a firm resolution to flee from sin.
Magnificat, Vol. 7, No. 6, Pg. 406

PLEASE COME — VISIT JESUS

PEOPLE OF THE CROSS UNITED

We are all members of the Body of Christ.
If one member suffers, all members suffer.
(1 COR: 12:26)



Please pray for our brothers and sisters who suffer persecution in many countries throughout the world because of their Christian faith.

YOUNG AT HEARTS CLUB
Tuesday, October 3 Doors open 11:30 am
Shaunessy Center

Cake & coffee will be served. Why don't you try to join us for a nice afternoon. You can find us in the Shaunessy Center.

On October 11, we are going to Villa Brunetti, 9755 W. Grand, Franklin Park, IL, for lunch and a show; the cost is $42 . For more information, call Dan at: 773/774-0471.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3 - 7:00 pm
Shaunessy Center



Please see page 6 for information about this informative meeting. All are welcome.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Wednesday, October 4
4:00 pm
In front of church



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.

Every Tuesday in Spanish - 7:00 pm
Every Wednesday in English - 7:00 pm
Every Thursday in Polish - 7:30 pm
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ST. EUGENE PARISH PRESENTS

2017 Fall Lecture Series

Sponsored by St. Eugene Pastoral Council

Wednesday, October 4, 2017
& Wednesday, October 18, 2017
7:00 pm Church
Please see page 7 for the details.

ST. EUGENE ADULT CHOIR



It is a new season for our adult choir!
Our first practice will be on Sunday, October 15, at 10:30 am. We will sing at the 11:30 am Mass. Please meet Lydia, our Director of Music, at the organ in church.
Everyone is welcome to sing with us.!!!

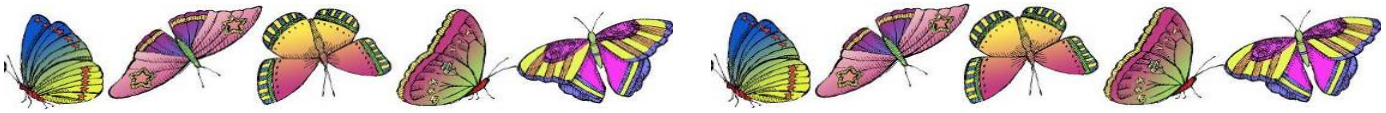


Come Join Us and Celebrate the Spirit of Fall on Saturday, September 30, 3pm to 9pm

• Food trucks • Beer garden • Live music • Carnival games
• Rock climbing wall from 3-7 pm • Bouncy houses • Slime making station
• Mini golf course • Crafts • Fall Frenzy raffle for adults and more!

Kids wristbands are $30 purchased in advance, $36 day of event, or $1/per ticket for kids activities!

St. Eugene School // 7930 W Foster Ave // Chicago



NEW REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

Saint Eugene School is now accepting new registrations for the 2017-18 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 (T-W-TH), three full days (T-W-TH), 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 appointments for individual tours.

For more information,
please call: 773-763-2235

"The Whisper"
Tuesday, October 3, 2017 -7:00pm
Shaunessy Center



Every twenty-three minutes another woman is diagnosed with ovarian cancer in the United States. Over 22,000 new cases are detected each year and over 14,000 women die from the disease. Forty percent of women diagnosed are at least 60 years of age. Around 1 in 75 women will develop ovarian cancer in her lifetime. When diagnosed and treated in the earliest stage, the five year survival rate is over 90% but unfortunately only 19% of all cases are found in the earliest stage. This disease is often called the "silent" killer because many times there are no symptoms until the disease has progressed to an advanced stage. Often doctors do not recognize the signs and symptoms of this type of cancer due to the similarity to other conditions. Research to develop a screening test specifically for ovarian cancer has been unsuccessful. A pelvic exam including a Pap test does not detect ovarian cancer.

The St. Eugene Altar & Rosary Society is sponsoring an evening to help break the silence of ovarian cancer. Knowledge is the best defense against this disease. The guest speaker for the evening will be Liane Troy from the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition. All women are encouraged to attend the meeting. Please call 773/775-6659 if you have any questions. There will be a free will offering for the NOCC.

Ovarian cancer - listen carefully - it whispers!

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.

RESPECT LIFE LITURGY
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2017
5:30 PM

To help support their many charitable and pro-life initiatives, members of the Knights of Columbus will be selling

FANNIE MAE chocolate bars after all masses the weekend of October 7 & 8.

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

MILK CHOCOLATE	$1.50 EACH
DARK CHOCOLATE	4 FOR $5.00
MILK CHOCOLATE ALMONDS	
MILK CHOCOLATE CARMEL	
MILK CHOCOLATE CRISPED RICE	
MILK CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER	
DARK CHOCOLATE MINT COOKIE	

ST. EUGENE PARISH PRESENTS

2017 Fall Lecture Series

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Wednesday, October 4, 2017

"Protect Us From All Anxiety"

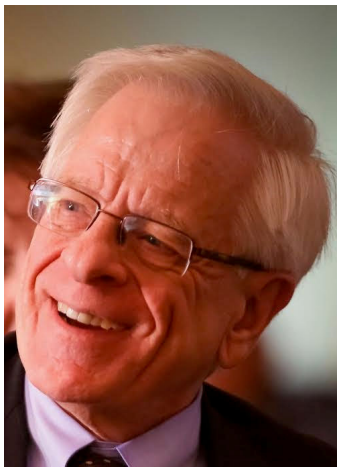
Develop a better understanding of how you make anxiety better or worse. Distinguish fear from anxiety. Learn the 3 parts of anxiety and how you can act in spite of it. Also, how to decrease the wear-and-tear of daily hassles and life transitions, and increase well-being.

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

"Negative vs. Negativity"

How can we manage the negative of daily stress without developing negativity? Learn how to not allow negativity — your own or that of others make life harder.

Presenter:



Dr. Gerald (Jerry) Hiller is a psychologist who specializes in health psychology. He co-directs "Repair My House: Mind-Body-Soul Skills For the Journey", a health promotion and illness prevention program at St. Peter's in the Loop.

All lectures begin at 7 pm in the church at:
7958 W. Foster Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois 60656
For further information, please call 773/775-6659.

There is no charge for the lectures. Donations appreciated.

+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +

Saturday, September 30 - Vigil:
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 Rose Mary Maratto & Fam.

Sunday, October 1 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Michael Doles
11:30 Aurora & Patrizia Barone, Vincenzo & Anna Battista, Domenica Battista, Rosemary Beyak, Margaret Chlopek, George Gullo, Patricia Imburgia, LaPietra Fam. & Fri., Int. of Henry Leahy, John F. Mugnaini, Bridget O'Keefe, Giuseppe & Antonio Pizzuto, Angela & Vincenzo Recchia, Joseph & Anna Wilk
4:30 Rita Miller

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

Monday, October 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels
6:30 Purgatorial Society
9:00 Helen & Walter Wojtas

Tuesday, October 3
6:30 Stanley Siwiec
9:00 Living & Dec'd Mbrs. Cortese Fam.

Wednesday, October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi
6:30 Sandy Romeo
9:00 Ann Bass, LaPietra Fam. & Fri., JoAnn Markos, Catarina Mei, Eraldo Simonetti

Thursday, October 5 - St. Francis Xavier Seelos
6:30 Dennis Mikulski
9:00 Jim & Margaret McGuire

Friday, October 6 - St. Bruno, Bl. Marie Rose Durocher
6:30 Kazimierz & Henryka Fornal
9:00 Michael Savino

Saturday, October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary
8:30 Rosario Centineo
1:00 ***Wedding:*** Borana Dushallari & Jeff Seiner

Saturday, October 7 - Vigil:
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 Richard P. Issel

Sunday, October 8 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 Val Schaeffer
9:30 Sam Cortese
11:30 Lila Barata, Aurora & Patrizia Barone & Daniela Palumbo, Antoinette & Vincent Bellisario, Benita Brancato, Catherine Charnota, Luisa Dellota, Vincenzo Di Iorio, Fr. Robert Grib, S.J., Patricia Imburgia, Alex James, LaPietra Fam. & Fri., Concetta Viso
4:30 People of the Parish

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.

+MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

Saturday, October 7 - 8:30 am
*** **Team 10**
Saturday, October 7 - 1:00 pm Wedding
*** **Team 2**
Saturday, October 7 - 5:30 pm
* P. Conlon
** A. Cisek, D. Divello, C. Edwards, T. Swiderski, T. Swiderski
*** **Team 1**
Mon., 10/9 - 9:00 am

Sunday, October 8 - 7:00 am
* J. Bischof
** A. Bischof, J. Carrozza, T. Curtin, R. Kennedy, R. Perez
*** **Team 3**
Tue., 10/10 - 9:00 am

Sunday, October 8 - 9:30 am
* S. Sparacino
** M. Cozzo, C. Hill, C. Hill, B. Ndiwe, R. Sparacino
*** **Team 4**
Wed., 10/11 - 9:00 am

Sunday, October 8 - 11:30 am
* B. Gasiorek
** T. Gunia, D. Laterza, P. Paetsch, V. Parado, M. Russo.
*** **Team 5**
Thur., 10/12 - 9:00 am

Sunday, October 8 - 4:30 pm
* R. Kopf
** E. Dillon, A. LoForte, M. Meo, B. O'Neill, J. Schmitt
*** **Team 6**
Fri., 10/13 - 9:00 am

Find St. Eugene on Facebook!

NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Would you like to be a Eucharistic Minister at the week-end Masses at St. Eugene? You must be a parishioner of the parish and have made your confirmation. There would be one class for you to attend before being mandated. If you are interested, please call the rectory and leave your name and phone number. Someone from the rectory will return your call.

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.



ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY — CHRISTMAS TROLLEY
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 5:30 TO 9:30 PM
MEET AT THE SHAUNESSY CENTER



For the last several years, Altar & Rosary has had the Christmas Trolley to see the sights and Christmas lights!

In the past, we have had to turn people away because we were unable to get another trolley. I have secured a third trolley this year and we will be able to accommodate 96 people total.

I know this is early, but if I do not get the additional trolley filled, I need to cancel it by November 10, 2017, so Altar & Rosary doesn't incur any cost. Anyone wishing to join us on this tour, please call Lois at: 773/774-1511 by November 6th. As a reminder, this is also a Holy Day of Obligation (Immaculate Conception), so you will have to go to the anticipated mass on Thursday evening, December 7, or one of the morning masses on Friday, December 8. Cost of the Christmas Trolley is $27.00.

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**

PEACEFUL HEART

While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart.
—St. Francis of Assisi





Marriage Banns

III - Borana Dushallari & Jeff Seiner



PLEASE PRAY

***For the Sick*:** Linda Adamczyk, Annabella Amato, Pat Apida, Robert Apida, Jon Arnswald, Anthony Bongiorno, Thomas Bongiorno, Mary Brasse, Julie Bronski, Margaret Brinlee-Brucken, Franca & Franco Chiapetta, Agnes Collins, Jim Conlon, Mirna Cozzo, Susan Curtin, Diane Divello, Michael Divello, Marge Dyson, Vicki Fealey, Don Feist, Virginia Florkiewicz, Janis Gale, Bob Gasiorek, Carol Gasiorek, Robert W. Gelfond, Frances Gofron, Kelly Halloran, Michelle & Shaun Hamilton, James G. Hanson, Thomas C. Hanson, Tim Heider, Barbara Hinze, Patricia Jackson, Eileen Jacques, Kathy Jeskey, John Keating, Cindy Koeune, Katherine Koeune, Bill Kohut, Bob Kolk, Olga Kykta, Allie Lim, Rose Mary Maratto, Rosemary Marinello, Michael P. McAuley, Raffaela Metallo, Michael C. Muscarello, Virginia Muscarello, Laurie Neumann, Fern Niewinski, Norma Quilici, Gerry Randazzo, Charlotte Rice, Joe Riotto, Rita Rogers, Stella Rombotis, John Ruberti, Teresa Ruberti, Ann Rubino, Leo Samborski, Patty Samborski, Theresa Samborski, Jerry Schippers, Joanne Schippers, Pat Schippers, Patrick Schippers, Vickie Sealey, Bernadett Sedlacek, Minnie Silva, Emily Steckiewicz, Maxine Stefanowski, Rev. Fred Tomzik, Gina Vassalo, Beverly Wijas, Brittany Wilson, Sally Zumer and for those who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes and under hospice care.

Newly added to our sick list: Dominick Di Re, June Grovak, Frances Salvato

For the Deceased:

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

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY
FALL CLOTHING DRIVE

The Social Concerns Ministry is looking for a few volunteers to help us on this weekend. If you are available please call the rectory at: 773/775-6659 and someone from the Social Concerns Ministry will return your call.

Will take place the weekend of
October 21/22
(church parking lot)
before & after all Masses



We will be accepting household items:
(i.e. flatware, dishes, pots & pans)
and small appliances:
(i.e. microwaves, coffee makers & toasters)
as well as
clothing & shoes for men, women, and children.
All donations should be in good, ready-to-use condition, not needing repairs or cleaning.
Your donations will not only serve to clean out your closets
but also help those who are less fortunate.

If you would like to make a monetary donation,
please make your check payable to St. Eugene's / SCM.

If you have large pieces of furniture you wish to donate you may call SVDP at: 773-779-6700.

NAME CHANGE TO ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

For over 40 years St. Eugene has had a St. Vincent de Paul Society. In 2006 the Society removed the individual chapters under the respective churches and established a National Organization. We have now heard of new pending changes to come to the Society. Since we are now such a small group, we at St. Eugene have decided to leave the National Society and return to St. Eugene Church as a **SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY.** As our group grows smaller, administration will be easier and direct. **Our goal and mission will remain the same --** to help those in our Church and our nearby neighborhood with respect to food, clothing and bills as best as we can. Please look for this name change as of September 1, 2017. We hope you will understand this change and continue to support us in our food drives, clothing drives and our Christmas Gift Program — as you always have.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to St. Eugene's / SCM.

Thank You for your generosity.

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

If you are in need of assistance,
call the rectory.
A member of the **SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY**
(formerly St. Vincent de Paul)
will get back to you.

MAYBE A BIT OF TRIVIA

It is probably close to three months ago that I received a phone call, no name but a lovely feminine voice, telling me that she had found my key -case on Foster Avenue. I said thank you for calling and asked if she could just drop it in the rectory mail box. I thought she said, "yes." However, I still haven't seen my lost key case. As Father Moreci used to say here at St. Eugene's to everyone, "Thanks for listening," but maybe say a prayer just the same.

Father O'Brien



Come Play With Us!

St. Eugene School's "Little Vikings" Registration Is Now Open!

Please contact the school
office for details
(773) 763-2237

Begins: October 17th
through December 19th
(10 sessions)

Class Meets: Tuesdays
from 9:30 am - 11:00 am

Age: 18 months to 3 years old

Cost: $75

This program provides an environment where children are accompanied by their parent (or other grown-up) to play, interact and learn together. Little Vikings classes provide just the right amount of structured activities to activate toddlers senses through circle time, art exploration, music and movement and free play.

Class size is limited to 15 children.





Baptisms

Jacob Tyler Kosinski
Sophia Joyce Lynch



POPE FRANCIS
TWEET FOR THE WEEK

Charity is more authentic and incisive when it is lived in communion.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eucharistic Prayer IV is, like Eucharistic Prayer III, a fresh composition from the 1960s, based on a prayer from the tradition of the ancient church of Alexandria. It has an interesting structural feature. The new prayers all nod toward the East with the *epiclesis*, or calling down of the Spirit, over the gifts. In this prayer the Spirit is asked to come down again, after the consecration, to make holy the communicants who "partake of this one Bread and one Chalice that, gathered into one body by the Holy Spirit, they may truly become a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your glory." This beautiful phrase is well worth meditating on. What is the goal of your reception of Holy Communion today?

The preface for this Eucharistic Prayer is firmly attached to the prayer, and the directives for using the prayer anchor it to Ordinary Time. It is not intended to be an option if the Mass has a proper preface of its own, like a funeral, a Lenten weekday, or a great feast. It is not often used these days, in part because of these limitations. At first, it was suggested that this prayer was better suited to small groups of people who were well educated in scripture. This was kind of an odd stipulation, especially since its images are so beautiful and worthy of attention.

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Calling all Ladies…Come Support the Class of 2018!!
Ladies Night Out BUNCO!

Please join us on **Friday, October 6th** in the Shaunessy Center for a fun night of Bunco! Tickets are $25.00, which includes beer, wine and appetizers. Raffle prizes! Split the Pot prizes! Bunco prizes will be awarded in the form of gift cards of your choice through the school TRIP program. No cash prizes will be awarded.

Doors open at 7:00 pm with play beginning promptly at 7:30pm. Don't know how to play? We'll teach you that night! **Buy your tickets now** …a limited number of tickets will be sold. Tickets orders must be returned by October 5th. Tickets will be held at the gym door.

As always, *Thank You* for your support of the Class of 2018!



Name/Phone #:_____

# of Tickets:_____ **Tickets will be held at the gym door.** Total Cost:_____

I will bring an appetizer or dessert to share (optional): ☐ Dessert ☐ Appetizer

You may put your check in the Sunday collection basket marked Bunco, or bring it to the rectory or school office.

Grandparents Day
Friday, September 15

ST. EUGENE SCHOOL
IS STILL COLLECTING *BOX TOPS*

EDUCATION
Education is a better safeguard of liberty
than a standing army.
—Edward Everett
















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.



MAJOR ADAMCZYK
GHALEB AZROUI
DONALD BELLISARIO
TIMOTHY EMMETT CAROLAN
ZBIGNIEW DUDKOWSKI
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CHRIS MARCHIORI
DANIEL MEANEY
KEITH MILLER
MEGAN MILLER
THOMAS NEUHENGEN
ERIC NORWOOD
VINCENT PAGE
CHAD PRITCHARD
NICHOLAS RANCH
HOLLY SCHIPPERS
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.