St. Eugene Parish
Chicago, IL 60656

THE VOICE

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time **February 11, 2018**

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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.

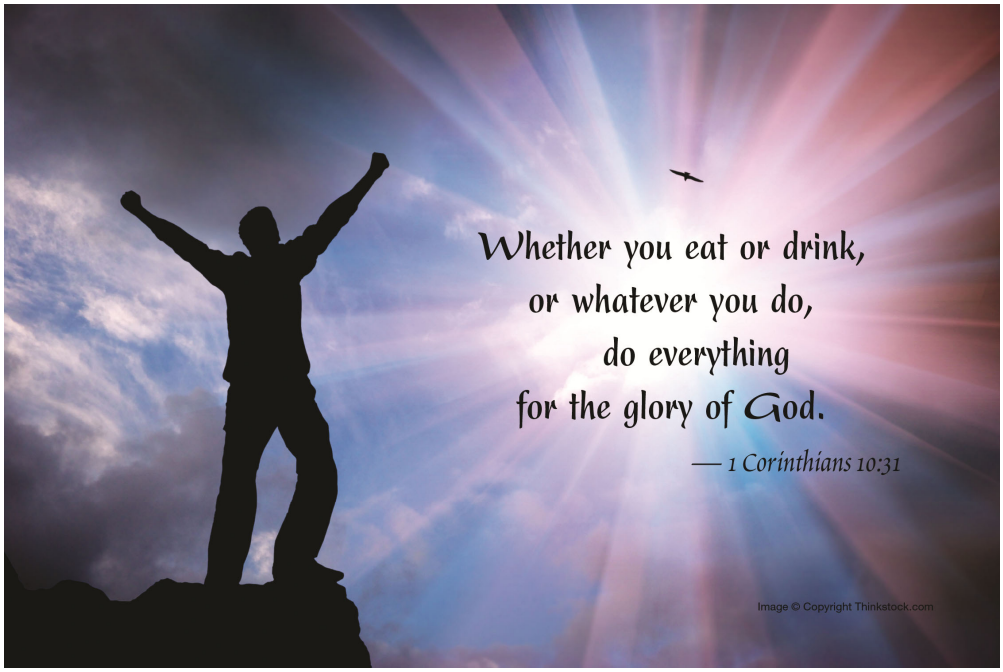
BAPTISMS: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 1:00 PM. Baptismal Preparation Class the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM in the rectory. Please telephone the rectory to register.

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.





ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018

Ashes will be blessed and distributed immediately following the homily at the 6:30 & 9:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. Masses.

Parish Staff

Rev. George Koeune, Pastor
Rev. James J. O'Brien, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Greg Wojcik , Associate Pastor
Rev. John G. Hetland, Associate Pastor
Rev. Philip J. Grib, S.J., Resident
Deacon Chick O'Leary, Business Manager
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Mr. Vincent Hilado, Assist. Director of Music

Ms. Catherine Scotkovsky, Principal
Mrs. Janet Kusinski, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Barbara Meier, Bulletin Editor
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.

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.

In place of my article this week, I want to share a letter I received from Cardinal Cupich regarding Fr. John Hetland. Fr. John is a great parish priest and I think it is wonderful that he will be spending more time at St. Eugene Parish.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. George

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



Dear Father Hetland,

In light of the recommendation of the Diocesan Priests' Placement Board and Bishop Francis J. Kane, your assignment as Associate Pastor of Saint Eugene Parish in Chicago will be extended for two years, effective July 1, 2018.

The support you have received for this extension is an indication of the fine pastoral leadership you have given to the people of Saint Eugene Parish.

Father Hetland, it is my hope that this will be a time of personal renewal for you as you continue your priestly service to the people who have been entrusted to your care.

Wishing you every blessing, with kind regards I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Blase J. Cupich

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

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THIS WEEKEND

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS AFTER THE 9:30 AM MASS

GIVE GOD THE GLORY

A curious feature of the first half of Mark's Gospel is the pattern of Jesus working a miracle, then telling the recipient of the miracle to keep still about it. Many theories have been offered: Mark is setting the stage for the great "secret" revealed when Peter will proclaim Jesus the Messiah at Caesarea Philippi; more skeptical commentators offer that Jesus, fully aware of human nature, knew that the way to spread the news was to tell people to keep it secret. The insight into this secret-keeping that serves us well, however, is that Jesus was initiating his public ministry according to the pattern that Paul describes. He was doing it for the glory of God--not for his own benefit, but for that of all. Paul would later write in Philippians that Jesus "humbled" himself to become like us. And we see this humility at work in today's healing of the leper. Jesus is trying to reveal the presence of God's reign among the people, not so that he himself might receive the glory, but so that God would be glorified through him. Imitating this pattern, which Paul encourages the Jewish and Greek Christian factions in Corinth to do, still serves us well today. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Sacrificial Giving

February 4, 2018

Regular Sunday Offering	**$**	**11,983**
Electronic Giving January 29 to February 4 $1,555 from 47 families	**$**	**1,555**
Total	**$**	**13,538**
Sunday Budget 2017-18	**$**	**16,000**
Over / (short)	***$***	***2,462***
Sharing Parish	**$**	**29**

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)

CRISIS PREGNANCY HELPLINE
1-800-400-4205

HAPPENINGS

SUNDAY	**11**
12:30 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
MONDAY	**12**
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	**13**
4:00 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
6:30 pm	School Event: SCH.FL
WEDNESDAY	**14**
	ASH WEDNESDAY
4:00 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	Social Concerns Ministry: SH.MR
THURSDAY	**15**
3:00 pm	Girl Scouts: SH.MR
3:00 pm	Knights of Columbus: SH.Kitchen
4:00 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	RCIA: REC:LL



FRIDAY	**16**
2:15 pm	Living Stations of the Cross: CH
5:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Fish Fry: SH.CTR
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross: CH
SATURDAY	**17**
9:00 am	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR
9:15 am	Liturgy Committee: REC.DR
10:00 am	AA: SCH:RH
SUNDAY	**18**
9:30 am	Family Mass Featuring 4th Grade: CH
12:30 pm	Youth Athletics: SH.CTR

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

The saints have experienced no greater delight on earth than that which they enjoyed in the presence of the most holy Sacrament.
St. Alphonsus Liguori

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.



SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY
Wednesday, February 14 - 7:00 pm
Shaunessy

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?

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.



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

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



May God Bless You on your birthday!



FATHER ED PACOCHA
February 16

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.



POPE FRANCIS
TWEET FOR THE WEEK

One who is aware of his own wretchedness and lowers his gaze with humility feels God's merciful gaze set upon him.

THE COLLECTION ON ASH WEDNESDAY IS FOR THE
ST. EUGENE SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY.
IF YOU FORGET TO BRING YOUR SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY ENVELOPE ON ASH WEDNESDAY, YOU MAY BRING IT ON ANY SUNDAY.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, February 16 - 7:00 pm
Friday, February 23 - 7:00 pm
Friday, March 2 - 7:00 pm
Friday, March 9 - 7:00 pm
Friday, March 16 - 7:00 pm
No stations on
Friday, March 23 - Confirmation

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

2:15 pm on Fridays, **February 16,** February 23, March 2, and March 16
&
Good Friday, March 30 - 3:00 pm

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 24
from 4:00 until 5:00 pm
(Several confessors, but English only)

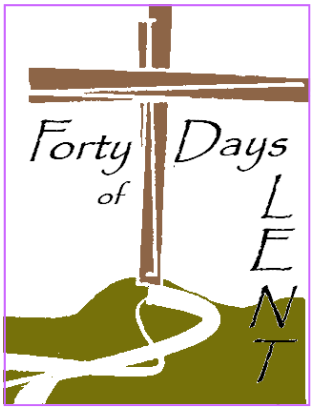
Monday, March 26 at 7:00 pm
Parish Reconciliation Service
(English, Italian, & Polish)

Wednesday, March 28
from 1:00 until 2:00 pm
(English, Italian, and Polish)

CONFESSIONS EVERY SATURDAY 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.



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 # _____



PLEASE PRAY

***For the Sick*:** Linda Adamczyk, Annabella Amato, Pat Apida, Bob Apida, Jon Arnswald, Anthony Bongiorno, Thomas Bongiorno, Mary Brasse, Julie Bronski, Margaret Brinlee-Brucken, Franca Chiappetta, Agnes Collins, Jim Conlon Jr., Jim Conlon Sr.,Mirna Cozzo, Joan De Stefano, Dominick Di Re, Edward Dobosz, Marge Dyson, Vicki Fealey, Don Feist, Virginia Florkiewicz, Mark Forrest, Janis Gale, Bob Gasiorek, Carol Gasiorek, Robert W. Gelfond, Carmella Giannelli, Frances Gofron, Rev. Philip Grib, S.J., June Grovak, Erika Arquilla Hlavacek, Kelly Halloran, Michelle & Shaun Hamilton, James G. Hanson, Thomas C. Hanson, Tim Heider, Barbara Hinze, Patricia Jackson, Eileen Jacques, John Keating, Cindy Koeune, Katherine Koeune, Bill Kohut, Bob Kolk, Olga Kykta, Allie Lim, Rose Mary Maratto, Rosemary Marinello, Michael P. McAuley, Phyllis Mc Garrh, Michael C. Muscarello, Virginia Muscarello, Leo Navickis, Fern Niewinski, Norma Quilici, Gerry Randazzo, Charlotte Rice, Joe Riotto, Diane Rizzuto, Rita Rogers, Stella Rombotis, John Ruberti, Teresa Ruberti, Ann Rubino, Frances Salvato, Leo Samborski, Theresa Samborski, Jerry Schippers, Joanne Schippers, Pat Schippers, Patrick Schippers, Vickie Sealey, Bernadett Sedlacek, Emily Steckiewicz, Gina Vassalo, Beverly Wijas, Brittany Wilson, Sally Zumer, Frank Zupo and for those who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes and under hospice care.

Newly added to our sick list: Karen Azalone, Marie Grigolo, Cathy Chiaramonte, Carmela Giannelli

For the Deceased: Vito Calabrese, Dominic S. DiSimone

ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH THE SICK LIST WILL BE UPDATED.
PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY BY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12 (9:30 AM)
IF YOU WOULD LIKE A NAME TO STAY ON THE LIST.

ADDING NAMES TO THE PARISH SICK LIST

It has always been the goal of St. Eugene to offer our parish community an opportunity to pray for those parishioners who are ill and in need of our prayers. We have tried to keep close track of these names for our Bulletin as they are made available to us.

However, now we face an important privacy issue, very much like the issues faced by hospitals, health institutions, and certainly by other parishes.

We cannot (by law) publicly let our parish community know the health status of any of our members without their permission.

We appreciate the fact that often friends, neighbors, and acquaintances wish to do something special for a person who is ill, and ask to place their name on the list to be prayed for. While their intentions are surely good, we simply can no longer accept names in this manner.

Names for the sick list placed in the Bulletin have to be called in by the person who is ill, or by a member of their immediate family. At the time they call in the name, they will be asked whether they are the sick person him/herself, or a member of their family, and if they give permission for the name to be placed on the list. They will be asked for the ***correct spelling*** of the sick person's name. If a ***family member,*** they will be required to give ***their*** name for our records.

Thank you for your patience regarding this process. We wish to do all we can to offer our parish community the opportunity to offer prayers for those who are ill — but we must also be cognizant of the fact that all members of our congregation are entitled to their privacy in this regard.

+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +

Saturday, February 10 - Vigil:
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 Willard Husfield

Sunday, January 11 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Denise Hess
11:30 Mike & Mary Randazzo 32nd Wedding Anniv., Amalia & Jenar Barone, Aurora & Patrizia Barone, Leonard Cataldo, Dabros & Wytrwal Fams., Giuseppe & Giuseppa Fiorante, Rocco Giampietro, Joan Huening, Frank Jablonski, Ludwik Komperda, LaPietra Fam. & Fri., Donato & Vincenzo Neri, Rita & Betty Oltmann, Vincenzo & Adele Pizzuto, Frank Randazzo, Louis Rosignoli, Elmer E. Smith
4:30 Eugene Siegel

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

Monday, February 12
6:30 Pat Marczak.
9:00 Fredi & Catarina Mei

Tuesday, February 13
6:30 LaPietra Fam. & Fri.
9:00 Thomas Donohoe

Wednesday, February 14 - Ash Wednesday
6:30 Lowel Sarmiento
9:00 Gesumino Bumbaca, Franco Cecchini, George Czubek, LaPietra Fam. Catherine Tracy, Edward & Victoria Wnek
12:00 Ron Brown
4:00 Living & Dec'd Mbrs. Feist & Mikulski Fams.
7;00 Maxine Stefanowski

Thursday, February 15
6:30 Frank Morgiewicz
9:00 John Weber

Friday, February 16
6:30 Purgatorial Society
9:00 Patrick Kennedy

Saturday, February 17 -
The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
8:30 Jim Barron

Saturday, February 17 - Vigil: First Sunday of Lent
5:30 Bennie Martin

Sunday, February; 18 - First Sunday of Lent
7:00 Rachelle Turano-Wojcik
9:30 Fannie & Mario D'Agostino
11:30 Gina Anders & Fam., Aurora & Patrizia Barone, Amalia & Jenar Barone, Ron Brown, Pete Concialdi, Giuseppe Covello, Steve & Helen Dobrowolski, Maciej Dun, Martin & Anita Falcon, Boguslaw Frycz, Rev. Kazimierz Kowalski, Theodore Mancheff, Hinze & Moriarty Fams., Maria & James Martini, Jerson Diobican Niadas, Consilia Panzeca, Vincenzo & Adele Pizzuto, Frank Randazzo, Elio Vento
4:30 People of the Parish

+MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

***Lector **Eucharistic Minister ***Server**

Saturday, February 17 - 8:30 am
*** Team 4
Saturday, February 17 - 5:30 pm
* D. Divello
** C. Edwards, M.B. Glynn, M. Kenny, M. Pollowy, Y. Sarmiento
*** Team 5
Mon., 2/19 - 9:00 am

Sunday, February 18 - 7:00 am
* D. Laterza
** G. Bermas, L. Feist, N. Francisco, R. Kennedy, R. Trovela
*** Team 6
Tue., 2/20 - 9:00 am

Sunday, February 18 - 9:30 am
* School Lector
** P. Conlon, M. Cozzo, E. Dillon, V. Parado, J. Schmitt
*** Team 7
Wed., 2/21 - 9:00 am

Sunday, February 18 - 11:30 am
* P. Wagner
** T. Gunia, M. Holder, J. Horn, P. Paetsch, L. Vasich
*** Team 8
Thu., 2/22 - 9:00 am

Sunday, February 18 - 4:30 pm
* R. Kopf
** B. Czubek, R. Fiorante, M. Meo, B. O'Neill, J. Santiago
*** Team 9
Fri., 2/23 - 9:00 am

Find St. Eugene on Facebook!

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.

2018 Fish Fry

February 16, March 2, & 16 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

St. Eugene Shaunessy Center

5220 N. Canfield

Menu

Cod Dinner - 2 pieces of battered fried cod served with fried potato slices, coleslaw, bread and butter, tartar sauce, and dessert - $8.50 adult, $8.00 senior, and $6.50 child (1 piece of cod)

Cod Dinner SPECIAL!! With the purchase of an adult or senior cod dinner, each additional piece(s) of cod added to that dinner is only $1.

Tilapia Dinner - tilapia fillet lightly seasoned with lemon pepper, served with parsley boiled potatoes, coleslaw, bread and butter, lemon wedge, and dessert - $8.50 adult, and $8.00 senior.

Shrimp Dinner - 1/2 lb. breaded popcorn shrimp served with potato slices, coleslaw, bread and butter, cocktail sauce, and dessert - $8.50 adult, $8.00 senior

Pasta Dinner in marinara sauce served with bread and butter, and dessert - $6.50 adult, $6.00 senior, and $5.50 child (smaller portion).

Pepper & Egg Sandwich, on Italian bread, served with fried potato slices, and dessert - $6.50 adult, $6.00 senior

On the Side

Cheese Pizza by the slice - $3.50
Soup of the Day (announced each week) with bread and butter - $3.50
Cod piece - $3.50
Tilapia piece - $4.50
1/2 lb. Shrimp basket with cocktail sauce - $5.50
Fried potato slices - $3.50
Mozzarella Cheese Sticks (6) with marinara sauce - $4.50
Beverage - $1.50
Dessert - $1.50

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

For take-away orders, call Tony at: 708/256-3993

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY SPRING LUNCHEON
Saturday, April 21, 2018
Chateau Ritz 9100 Milwaukee Ave., Niles, IL

Everyone is welcome to join the Altar & Rosary women and their spouses at our annual Spring Luncheon. We hope you can join us and enjoy the afternoon with friends, family and fellow parishioners. Doors open at 11:00 am and lunch will be served at noon. The entrée options are:



Prime Rib of Beef, Ala Ritz au jus ($38) Broiled Salmon, Lobster Dill Sauce ($39) or
Stuffed Chicken Breast, filled with Spinach and Cheese ($32)

The entrée's include Ritz Garden Salad with Assorted Greens, Radicchio, Tomato and Cucumber with your choice of House (Oil/Vinegar) or Ranch dressing, Broccoli & Carrots, Parisienne Potato, French Vanilla Ice Cream with Carmel Sauce and Coffee, Tea or Milk. There will be a cash bar. This year's entertainment is Brotherhood of Harmony a Barbershop Quartet. For tickets call Lois at 773/774-1511 no later than March 31.



Altar & Rosary would like to thank everyone who donated items for the diaper drive. Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, 3,943 diapers, 3,428 diaper wipes and various hygiene products were collected for the Women's Center.

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS

RESURRECTION: Danielle LaSusa, Samantha Pagani, Alexa DiBenedetto, Emily Heerdt, Alexandria Kalamaris, Ashley Kelly, Madison Van Horn, Brittany Welch, Mackenzie Ahrens, Megan Heerdt, Samantha Rickert

ST. EUGENE SCHOOL ALUMNI MASS
February 25th, 9:30 am, in the Church.
ST. EUGENE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
Immediately following Mass until 12 pm
ALL parishioners, 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 23rd 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 fifteen years, with approximately 150 alumni attending the event each year. Hundreds of alumni from the "Classes of 1979-2011" have been invited. ALL St. Eugene alumni and their families are welcome and encouraged to attend. You can have even more fun if you market the event by enticing more of your own classmates and friends to attend. If you convince them to join you, they will want to attend again next year! The Bash will take place from 8 pm until 2 am in the private party room located on the second floor. 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 the bartenders and your 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 representing St. Eugene Parish and School. Which class will have the best turnout this year? Once again, it promises to be an awesome event.



ST. MARY OF PROVIDENCE PASTA FEST
(Food - Raffles - Music)
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018
1:00 - 6:00 PM
Tickets - $8.00 adults & $5.00 children
St. Mary of Providence
4200 N. Austin, Chicago 60634
(Gymnasium - Cullom St. Entrance)
773-545-8300
Benefits Persons in the Residential and Day Programs

ANNIVERSARY WISHES
to
Mary & Mike Randazzo
32 Years

Prayer for Love

As we celebrate this secular day of "love", let us remember Jesus' pure example and strive to be more like Him. Take a moment between chocolate and kisses this Valentine's Day to pray this simple prayer: *Lord, Make us more aware of the deeper implications of love. May we listen to its demands. Make the work of our hands the expression of what our hearts have heard from Your Spirit. Teach us to love in costly actions, not easy phrases. Let us be in our love, Lord, a clearer reflection of You.*

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

EASY TO FIND
***Catholic Chicago* Radio**
WNDZ 750-AM
Monday - Friday, 8 am to 9 am
Tune to *Catholic Chicago* Radio to hear about the people, issues and faith-based events that make the Archdiocese of Chicago a vibrant faith community.

Simple love in difficult times

How should a Christian handle hurt and rejection? The answer is both simple and difficult. Simple, because the answer is always "respond with love". Difficult because loving the hurtful or hateful we encounter, goes against our basic human nature. We want to hit back, hurt back, and we forgot the blessings God has promised for those who love instead. And while He knows our sinful struggles with hate, God still expects an obedient attempt. It doesn't have to grandiose. Try the simpler solutions. When someone scowls, smile in return. When they curse, whisper a prayer for them. When they push you away, slip an arm under theirs and pull them into a hug. It's a matter of trying simple love in difficult times, and letting God do the rest. Are you up for it?

THE GLORIES OF IRELAND
August 28 - September 8

Yes, it is *The Glories of Ireland* we are going to be visiting later this year - 2018. We will be leaving Chicago on the 28th of August and returning on the 8th of September. On the 29th we will arrive in Dublin and it will all begin there. Our tour guide has been with us before. We will be stopping in Cork, Cobh, Blarney, Killarney, the Ring of Kerry, Adare, Bunratty Castle, Galway, Knock, Derry, the Giant's Causeway, Belfast, the Titanic Museum, Downpatrick, Armagh, and Dublin. And our tradition on these tours is to celebrate Mass daily. At least one other priest will be with us.

Interested? Curious? **An informational meeting has been scheduled for Monday evening, February 19, at 7pm, in St. Eugene School, Room 110, which is just behind the Rectory at 7958 W. Foster, and immediately adjacent to the church parking lot.** It is just a few steps into the meeting room and we will begin at 7 pm. If you plan on coming to the meeting, please call the St. Eugene Parish Office (773-775-6659) and let us know that you will be with us. Printed brochures are available for the entire itinerary. Looking forward to seeing you.

Father Jim O'Brien

You're Invited to Visit Us!



Saint Eugene School

Academic Excellence Rooted in Faith

St. Eugene School

Learn how we can help your child grow academically and spiritually

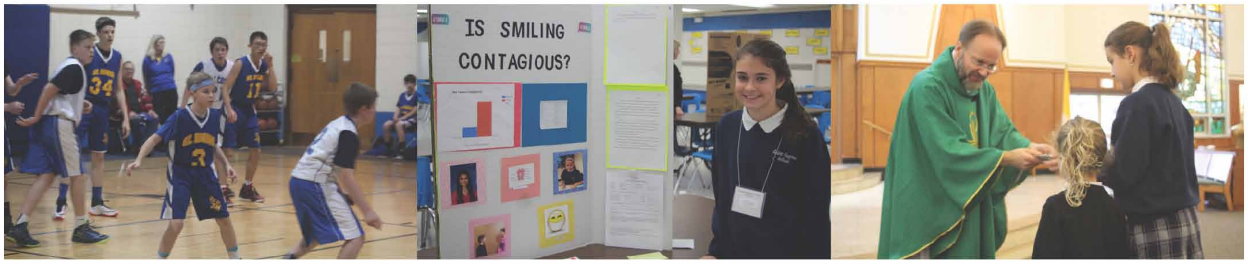
- 3 Yr. PS/ 4 Yr. PK: Full & Half Day Programs
- Kindergarten—8th Grade
- Before & After School Care
- We offer a variety of extracurricular activities to meet your child's interests.
- Technology: Computer Lab, iPad Carts, 1:1 Chromebooks Grade 6-8

Open Houses

Tuesday, February 20 - 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Wednesday, March 14 - 6:00 - 7:00 PM

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT | LEADERSHIP| FAITH FORMATION



Visit *www.steugene-school.org* for more information

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ST. EUGENE PARISH INVITES YOU TO OUR ST. JOSEPH TABLE



Saturday, March 10, 2018 from 3:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the Shaunessy Center, 5220 N. Canfield Free admission, donations appreciated

A traditional meatless St. Joseph's Dinner, featuring a variety of pasta, fish, side dishes, pizza and desserts, with all proceeds from the event supporting our Social Concerns Ministry (formerly St. Vincent de Paul Society), which benefits many people in our community who are struggling.

The following items are needed for the creation of the Saint Joseph Table:

Dried Goods:
Ditalini
Farfalle
Spaghetti

Beverages:
Juice (any kind)
Coffee (Regular & decaf)
Wine
Bottled water

Other Perishables:*
Homemade breads & desserts

Cans/Jars/Bottles:
Crushed Tomatoes
Olive Oil
Artichoke Hearts
Black Olives
Italian Dressing

Fruits/Vegetables*
Cucumbers
Tomatoes
Apples
Oranges
Lemons

Your favorite dish and favorite recipes are welcome!

***Drop off at the Shaunessy Center after 3:30 PM on Friday, March 9, or 11:00 AM Saturday, March 10**

Any business wishing to sponsor the St. Joseph Table, contact any committee member or the rectory.

Thank you for your generosity!

For additional information, contact any committee member or call the rectory:

Father George Koeune Sal Sparacino 630-768-8375 Russell Sparacino 708-557-5059

Donations may be brought to the rectory. For pick-up, call the rectory or a committee member.

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Update

It has been some time since Eucharistic Minister/Lector mass time preferences have been updated. I have done the last two schedules and am taking this task over going forward. Since I have many other responsibilities in the parish, I am asking you to be a little more pro-active by informing me by the beginning of the last month of each quarter (ie. March, June, September and December) of any dates you do not wish to be scheduled for the next quarter or when your schedule changes and you need to change your mass time. I will make every effort to assign you for the mass time/s you select, but we do have to cover 5 masses with 5 Eucharistic Ministers which includes the 4:30 PM mass. **Once the schedule is published, it will be your responsibility to find a replacement for any mass at which you cannot serve.** **Thank you, Lois Feist**

Please fill out the information below and check the mass times below and check your choice/s. Please drop this form in the Sunday collection basket or at the rectory **no later than 2/18/2018**.

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

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

Address _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

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

5:30 PM Sat. _____ 7:00 AM Sun. _____ 9:30 AM Sun. _____ 11:30 AM Sun. _____ 4:30 PM Sun. _____

I am willing to do **one** 4:30 PM Sun. Each quarter _____ No Family mass (3rd Sun of each month) _____

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's Gospel centers on the plight of a leper and Jesus' response of healing. In Hawaii, the bacterium that causes leprosy probably entered from China in the mid-1800s, and the native islanders were susceptible to the dreaded disease. In 1866, the government literally dumped the sufferers on a remote and virtually inaccessible island peninsula with towering cliffs. Thrown off ships into the sea, the sick people were told to swim for the beach and head for caves, and for seven years the only supplies were similarly cast into the sea to drift ashore. It was then, 1873, that a thirty-three-year-old Belgian priest, Damien de Veuster, went voluntarily to Kalaupapa. Before long, he cajoled the government into funding his mission and its hospital, built a village with proper homes and sanitation, and recruited Mother Marianne Cope to bring sisters from Syracuse, New York, to nurse the sick. Damien, who eventually died of leprosy, has been canonized, and Mother Marianne as well.

Although leprosy has been curable since the 1940s, today a few patients remain in their lifelong home, now a national historic site. The peninsula is still utterly isolated from the outside world, and the speed limit for the few cars there is 5 mph since there's nowhere to go! The hospital is still well-staffed and equipped, but access is regulated and visitors must take an official tour, often involving a descent down the cliffs by "Molakai mule." There are few places on earth that evoke the healing power of Jesus, or our call to follow the Healer, more than Damien's beloved island mission.

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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.



MAJOR ADAMCZYK
GHALEB AZROUI
DONALD BELLISARIO
TIMOTHY EMMETT CAROLAN
ZBIGNIEW DUDKOWSKI
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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.