**St. Eugene Parish**
Chicago, IL 60656

# THE VOICE

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time — February 14, 2021

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**SUNDAY MASSES:**
(5:30 PM Saturday),
9:00 & 11:30 AM Sunday

**WEEKDAYS:**
Monday, Wednesday, &
Friday 9:00 AM,
Tuesday & Thursday 6:30 AM
First Saturday of the month
8:30 AM

**CONFESSIONS:**
**LAST** Saturday of the month at 4:00 PM

**BAPTISMS:** 1st & 3rd Sundays at 1:30 PM

**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.

# From the Pastor's Desk…



Today, we celebrate the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. It is also the follow-up to last week's Commitment Weekend for the Annual Catholic Appeal. We are reminded in today's Gospel that Jesus heals bodies. And even more, he heals spirits. The scourge of leprosy left people physically disfigured, socially isolated and without hope. When Jesus cleanses the leper in today's Gospel, he effects a physical transformation for the man, helps him rejoin family and human society and infuses him with new hope.

When we meet Jesus and ask him, he does the same for us. For us today—with all the troubling circumstances of our lives—his healing may be the most precious part of our restoration.




Notice what happened to the man cured of leprosy. His joy and his hope impel him to go and share the good news of his encounter with Jesus, despite Jesus' warning to not do so. His hope is irrepressible and contagious.

When we have known the new hope that only Jesus can give us, we cannot hold it as a personal possession. We are called to be ambassadors of hope, to bring hope to the world. We cannot stay quiet about it.

This year we observe the Annual Catholic Appeal, we hear a deep and stirring invitation that the Lord gives us: Come, follow me…and bring hope to the world.

Our support of the Appeal, our sharing of time, talent, and treasure, is an important way we can respond to his call and be his disciples who bring hope to the world.

The Eucharist we celebrate enables us to encounter the Lord, hear his call to follow him and to be sent in mission to a world so much in need of hope. Please do your part in offering your support of this year's Annual Appeal. Envelopes and brochures are at the entrance and all the exits of church. Please send yours in today.

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I thought I would give you a little heads up regarding some of the changes that we can expect as we look forward to celebrating the upcoming season of Lent, Holy Week and Easter. This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. So, let's start there.




**ASH WEDNESDAY – February 17:**
We will be offering three Masses (6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.) and two Services of the Word (12:00 Noon and 4:00 p.m.) with the distribution of ashes at each. At each liturgy, the celebrant will bless the ashes and sprinkle them with holy water. He will then address all present with one of the traditional formulas found in the Roman Missal: "Repent and believe in the Gospel" or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The celebrant will then put on a face mask and

distribute the ashes to those that come forward. The ashes will not, however, be put on your foreheads but rather, sprinkled on each person's head without saying anything. All coming forward from the pews should maintain social distancing of six feet. We will use the same lines as we do for the distribution of Holy Communion.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**
There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent. At 2:15 all are welcome to join our school children as they lead the Stations of the Cross in church. Also, at 7:00 p.m. we will pray the traditional Stations of the Cross in church as well, with the exception of March 19th, St. Joseph's Day. On this night at 7 pm Mass will be celebrated in honor of St. Joseph. Also on Good Friday the children will lead the Stations of the Cross at 3:00 p.m. only. This year there will be no members of the congregation following the leader of prayer from station to station.

**CONFESSIONS/RECONCILIATION:**
There will be no Communal Penance Service this year as services with individual confessions are not recommended because of the logistical difficulty in maintaining privacy, physical distancing, cleaning and other safety and health requirements. However, confessions will be available to all in our parish on each of the four Saturdays of March at 4:00 p.m.

**FISH FRY:**
Lenten Fish Fries were originally not recommended this year, however, with the recent opening of restaurants for indoor seating presently, these recommendations have changed. For this reason, our Knights of Columbus have decided to offer their delicious Fish Fry with a drive-up and pick up option on Fridays this Lent. Keep an eye on our parish bulletin and an ear on our announcements at the end of our weekend Masses for any further updates. See page 7 of today's bulletin for more details.

**PALM SUNDAY:**
We will have our current schedule of weekend Masses. All will need to pre-register for their seating online or by calling the rectory to reserve their seating. Blessed palms will be distributed either before or after Mass this year.

**HOLY THURSDAY:**
The Mass of the Lord's Supper will take place at 7:30 p.m. All will need to pre-register online or by calling the rectory to reserve their seating.

The washing of feet will be omitted this year.
At the end of Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be processed to the side altar by only the priest, incense, cross and candle bearers in a single file, physically distanced line.
Adoration will follow with all participants wearing masks.
Parish sponsored pilgrimages known as "Seven Church Pilgrimages" are prohibited this year.

**GOOD FRIDAY:**
Stations of the Cross will take place at 3:00 led by our school children. The Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion will take place at 7:30 p.m. All will need to pre-register online or by calling the rectory to reserve their seating.

For the Adoration of the Holy Cross, no physical contact with the cross is to take place. We will either have a "general adoration" in which the priest holds the cross in the front of the sanctuary and the

faithful may kneel or sit for a brief time

**OR**

The faithful may process to the front of the church but will be instructed to venerate the cross with a bow or a genuflection only.

The procession to the cross is to take place maintaining physical distance

**HOLY SATURDAY:**

The Blessing of Easter Baskets and foods will take place at 1:00 p.m. This year, however, the blessing will take place outside under the entrance canopy of the church. Please enter the church parking lot at the west end and drive around to the main entrance. When you pull up to the entrance please exit the car with your basket/foods in hand. They will be blessed with holy water and you may return to your car and exit onto Foster Ave. There will be no blessing in church because of the impossibility to social distance with all the people who come for this special blessing. Let's hope we have some warmer weather on this day.

The Easter Vigil Mass will take place at 7:30 p.m. All will need to pre-register online or by calling the rectory to reserve their seating.

The Service of Light with individual candles will be omitted because of the need to lower our masks all at the same time, and then blow to extinguish them.

The Paschal Candle will be prepared beforehand. It will be lit and taken to its place in the sanctuary at which time the Easter Proclamation (Exultet) will be sung.

The congregation will be sprinkled with Holy Water for the renewal of baptismal promises.

Holy Water fonts are still to remain empty.

**EASTER SUNDAY – April 4:**

Masses will be celebrated at 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
All will need to pre-register online or by calling the rectory to reserve their seating.

**GUIDELINES FOR MUSICIANS:**

No choirs are permitted

No brass or wind instruments may be used

Maximum of two singers/cantors are to be observed

If the situation with the virus changes by Holy Week, this will be reassessed.

I hope this information is helpful to all in our community. I suppose we should count our blessings this year in that we are at least able to celebrate these special and holy days. If you recall…last year we had no Holy Week and Easter Masses that we could all participate in.

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Many parishioners have shared with me how much they appreciate the "Little Books" of Advent, Lent, and Easter. These books have made such a positive impact here in our parish that we have once again purchased the "Little Black Books" for your personal spiritual and prayer life during the upcoming Lenten season. In the gathering space and at all the exit doors of the church next weekend you can pick up a copy to carry with you in your purse, car, pocket, etc. Because we purchased booklets this year based on the smaller number of people coming to church each weekend due to COVID-19, we ask that you only take one per family. This will allow for as many as possible to receive them. You can use these informative books to spend just six minutes a day in personal meditation/reflection and as your traveling companion for the season of Lent and Holy Week. Enjoy them!

# LENTEN GUIDELINES

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all 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 bound by this may only take one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

The special Pascal fast and abstinence are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.

By the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving and prayer, the Church keeps Lent from Ash Wednesday until the evening of Holy Thursday. All of the faithful and the catechumens should undertake the serious practice of these three traditions. Failure to observe individual days of penance is not considered serious, but failure to observe any penitential days at all or a substantial number of such days must be considered serious.

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Today, Sunday, February 14th, is Valentine's Day. According to legend, the Valentine takes its name from a young Christian priest who lived in Rome. Like so many of the early Christians, Valentine had been imprisoned because of his faith. Often and longingly he thought of his loved ones and wanted to assure them of his well-being and of his love for them.

Beyond his cell window, just within reach, grew a cluster of violets. He picked some of the heart-shaped leaves and pricked them with the words, "Remember your Valentine," and sent them off by a friendly dove. On the next day, and the next, he sent more messages that simply said, "I love you." Thus, did the Valentine have its beginning. And so, it has been through the ages…Those who love, remember…and send Valentines to express their love.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY to all in our parish family!

*Fr. Rich*

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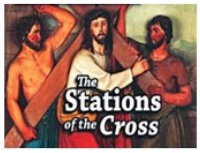
# Lent and Easter 2021




February 17

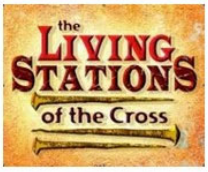
**Distribution of Ashes**

6:30 am Mass
9:00 am Mass
12:00 pm Liturgy of the Word Service
4:00 pm Liturgy of the Word Service
7:00 pm Mass




**Stations of the Cross - 7:00 pm**

**Fridays: February 19, 26;**
**March 5, 12, and 26**




**Living Stations of the Cross - 2:15 pm**

**Fridays: February 19 and 26;**
**and March 5, 12, 19, 26;**
**and April 2 (Good Friday) at 3:00 pm**

## Events during Lent



St. Joseph's Day Mass
Friday, March 19, 7:00 pm

All Fridays of Lent
5:00 - 7:30 pm
See the bulletin for details




## The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, March 6 - 4:00 pm; Saturday, March 13 - 4:00 pm

Saturday, March 20 - 4:00 pm; Saturday, March 27 - 4:00 pm

*There will be no Communal Lenten Reconciliation Service this year.*

No Confessions will be heard on Holy Saturday - April 3

## Holy Week and Easter Schedule

### Palm Sunday

Saturday, March 27 - 5:30 pm (Mass of anticipation)
Sunday, March 28 - 9:00 am and 11:30 am (Livestreamed)

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Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30 (Livestreamed)
Good Friday, Living Stations of the Cross - 3:00 pm
Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 7:30 pm (Livestreamed)
Holy Saturday, Blessing of Easter Baskets - 1:00 pm
(Please read box to the right)
Easter Vigil Mass - 7:30 pm (Livestreamed)

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### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, April 4 - 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am (Livestreamed)
and 11:30 am

## Easter Basket Blessing

**Saturday, April 3 at 1:00 pm**

Easter Basket blessing will take place outside under the entrance canopy of the church.

Please enter the church parking lot at the west end and drive around to the main entrance.

When you pull up to the entrance, please exit the car with your basket/ foods in hand.

They will be blessed with holy water and you may return to your car and exit onto Foster Ave.

There will be no blessing in church because of the impossibility to social distance with all the people who come for this special blessing.



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

# 2021 Fish Fry Menu TO GO ONLY

5:00 to 7:30 Fridays during Lent Pick Up Location:
Shaunessy Center St Eugene Parish 5220 N Canfield Ave Chicago

**Cod Dinner** – 2 pieces of battered fried cod served with fried potatoes slices, coleslaw, bread and butter, tartar sauce, and gelato cup - **$9.00 adult, $8.00 senior,** and **$7.00 child** (12 and under - 1 piece of fish).

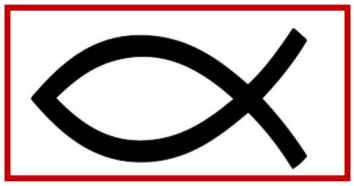
**Catfish Dinner** – 2 pieces of battered fried catfish served with fried potatoes slices, coleslaw, bread and butter, tartar sauce, and gelato cup - **$10.00 adult, $9.00 senior,** and **$7.00 child** (12 and under - 1 piece of fish).

**Shrimp Dinner** – ½ lb. breaded popcorn shrimp served with fried potato slices, coleslaw, bread and butter, cocktail sauce, and gelato cup - **$9.00 adult, $8.00 senior.**

**Pasta Dinner** in marinara sauce served with bread and butter, and gelato cup - **$6.00 adult, $5.00 senior,** and **$4.00 child** (smaller portion).

## On the Side

**Cheese Pizza** by the slice - **$3**
**Cod or Catfish piece - $3.00 for each piece**
**½ lb. Shrimp basket with cocktail sauce- $5**
**Fried potato slices- $3**
**Mozzarella Cheese Sticks (6) with marinara sauce- $4.00**
**Beverage - $1 Gelato Cup - $1**



All proceeds will be used to support the Knights local programs, St Eugene and St Monica Parishes

**For take-away orders, call Michael (312)-340-9362**

**Call from 4:30 tp 7pm Fridays during Lent**

## JESUS' WAY

Today's readings present a contrast between "Jesus' way" and the "old way." An example of the old way is the law given to Moses and Aaron about leprosy: the leper was unclean and cast out of the community. Jesus' way is the opposite: the leper is reached out to, touched, and finally cured.

Nor ought we think of the "old way" as restricted to the days of Moses and Aaron, or even to the "old" testament. The difference between the old way and Jesus' way arises in own lives. We still choose, every day, to live in our old way or in Jesus' way.

Jesus dared to touch a leper, disregarding the old way. The leper then was changed forever. He felt a calling. He couldn't keep himself from proclaiming that he had been touched by Jesus (even though Jesus told him not to!). Once Jesus touches us, we are called to proclaim his way.

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**TO**
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**Mondays in church**
**4:00 pm- 6:00 pm**
**with Benediction at 5:45 pm**

**Of Eucharistic Adoration**
**Pope Pius X has said, it is**
**"the devotion that surpasses all others."**

**PLEASE COME — VISIT JESUS**

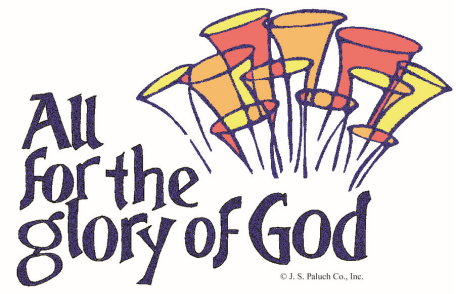
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**Jaxson Martin Emery**




**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**February 14, 2021**
**Whether you eat or drink,**
**or whatever you do,**
**do everything for the glory of God.**
**— 1 Corinthians 10:31**

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

# Offertory Collection

| Weekend of February 6-7 | | |
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| **Physical Contributions:** | | $ 9,360.50 |
| 5:30 Mass: | $ 1,323.00 | |
| 9:00 Mass: | $ 1,233.50 | |
| 11:30 Mass: | $ 1,123.00 | |
| Mailed In: | $ 5,681.00 | |
| **Electronic giving:** | | $ 2,416.00 |
| **Total:** | | **$11,776.50** |
| **Operating budget requirement:** | | $13,400.00 |
| In order to meet our budgeted expenses for this fiscal year, we need to receive $13,400 a week in our offertory collections. | | |
| **Deficit/Surplus** | | **$ 1,623.50** |

| February 2021 Running Total | |
|---|---|
| **Cash received in envelopes:** | $ 9,360.50 |
| **Electronic giving:** | $ 2,416.00 |
| **Total:** | $ 11,776.50 |
| **Budgeted amount:** | $ 13,400.00 |
| **Deficit/Surplus** | **$ 1,623.50** |

| Fiscal Year-To-Date Running Total | |
|---|---|
| **Cash received in envelopes:** | $279,974.99 |
| **Electronic giving:** | $ 63,087.00 |
| **Total:** | $343,061.99 |
| **Budgeted amount:** | $428,800.00 |
| **Deficit/Surplus** | **$ 85,738.01** |

As you can see, your continued support during this very challenging and unprecedented time is both critical and essential to maintain and operate all we do here at St. Eugene Parish. Please consider dropping off or mailing your contribution to the rectory, or sign up for electronic giving at Give Central (more information can be found in this week's bulletin). **We are extremely grateful for those of you already generously doing your part to support your Church, and truly we could not be here without you.**



***Suffering from the Emotional & Spiritual Effects of Abortion?***

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*"I came that they might have life,*



**RECTORY HOURS**

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**

**9:00 - 11:30 am**

**&**

**12:30 - 5:00 pm**

**(closed for lunch:**

**11:30 am - 12:30 pm)**

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY:**

**9:00 am - 1:00 pm**






## Tax Season is approaching!!!

We hope that the new year is off to a great start for all of you. If you would like a 2020 contribution statement, we ask that you please call the rectory during normal business hours (Monday-Friday 9:00AM-5:00PM and Saturday and Sunday 9:00AM-1:00PM). We will then mail or email your statement. We will **NOT** be mailing out contribution statements unless they are requested. Thank you so much for your generosity and continued support.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Business Manager, Anthony Woldeit at the rectory 773-775-6659 or via email at awoldeit@st-eugene.org

## PLEASE PRAY

***For the Sick:*** Annabella Amato, Pat Apida , Lawrence Basili, Judy Bauer, Al Bischof, Jr., Anthony Bongiorno, Julie Bronski, Franca Chiappetta, Lorraine Czerwinski, Vincent Di Re, Diane Divello, Anita Dublanski, Marge Dyson, Don Feist, Bruno Fondriest, Bob & Carol Gasiorek, Patricia Gelfond, Ava Geole, Erika Arquilla Hlavacek, Jeff Hlavacek, Tim Heider, Florence Jassak, Karen Pavlis Karasawa, Abagail Lim, Allie Lim, Rose Mary Maratto, Helen Masley, Kathleen Minneci, Rich Moellering, Jr., Russ Moskal, Michael J. Muscarello, Michael C. & Virginia Muscarello, Rodelio Ochoa, Rita Rogers, Stephen Rom, Theresa Samborski, Patricia Schippers, Bernadett Sedlacek, Daniel Starzec, Emily Steckiewicz, Kevin Stenson, and for those who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes and under hospice care.

***Newly added to our sick list:*** Elizabeth Becker, Ron Marchetti, Dennis McGuire

***For the Deceased:*** Helen Bruchalski (Sr. Ann Marie's Mom), Rebecca Worasutr

***PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY IF YOU WANT TO ADD A NAME TO THE SICK LIST.***



All of us are responsible for the communications we make, for the information we share, for the control that we can exert over fake news by exposing it. All of us are to be witnesses of the truth. #SaferInternetDay

**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 - 5 pm, SAT – SUN 9 am - 1 pm**

**YOUNG AT HEARTS CLUB**
**Tuesday, February 16**
**Doors open 11:30 am Meeting at noon**
**Shaunessy Center**
Weather permitting! We hope to see you!

**COMPASSION AND GENEROSITY**
**Let your heart feel for the afflictions and distress of everyone, and let your hand give in proportion to your purse.**
**—George Washington**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

What would you say is the oldest, most frequently sung, most translated, most memorized, most beloved song text in the Christian world today? An astute and surprising answer might be the *Gloria*, "Glory to God in the Highest." Soon the Lenten fast will begin, and the Gloria, sung at the beginning of Sunday Mass, will be silenced. It is an heirloom from a treasury of hymns spun from the songs of praise on the lips of Mary, Elizabeth, and Zachary. We move in the prayer from the song of the angels at the first Christmas, to the praise of God, and to a final plea to Christ to continue and complete his work in us.

For nearly 1500 years, the singing of the Gloria has been a sign of the festive quality of a particular Mass. From the beginning it was a song of the people, not of the choir or clergy. These last few Sundays of winter Ordinary Time allow us a chance to savor the hymn and give ourselves over to the chorus. How is the song of praise arising from your pew? If you claim the song as yours, its absence from Lent will be more striking, and its return at Easter will cheer your heart.

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

## + MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +

***Saturday, February 13 - Vigil:***
***Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time***
5:30 Purgatorial Society
Celerina Behrman, LaPietra & Minn Fams.,
Francis P. Reilly, Quilici & Chapetta Fams.,
Jerry Stephen

***`Sunday, February 14 -***
***Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time***
9:00 People of the Parish
Matthias & Maria Rempala
11:30 Pasquale & Maria Amoroso,
Concetta Cassata-Rinaudo,
Joseph 'Speedy' Cozzi, George Czubek,
Eugene Lisowski, Patricia Pisano,
Caterina Stocchetti

***Monday, Wednesday, & Friday: 9:00 am***
***Tuesday & Thursday: 6:30 am***
***First Saturday of the month : 8:30 am***

***Monday, February 15***
9:00 Purgatorial Society
Rabic Melendrez, Marty Warta



***Tuesday, February 16***
6:30 Helen Bruchalski

***Wednesday, February 17 - Ash Wednesday***
6:30
9:00 Patrick Kennedy
12:00 Liturgy of the Word
4:00 Liturgy of the Word
7:00

***Thursday, February 18***
6:30 Mario Freund

***Friday, February 19***
9:00 James Meyer, Tom Rountree

***Saturday, February 20 - Vigil:***
***First Sunday of Lent***
5:30 Lety Bumanglag, Pamela Heider,
Quilici & Chapetta Fams.

***Sunday, February 21 - First Sunday of Lent***
9:00 Matthias & Maria Rempala
11:30 People of the Parish
Amalia & Gennaro Barone, Ralph DeBartolo,
Guillo & Nicolina Izzi, Caterina Stocchetti

**Our regular daily Mass schedule.**
**Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 9:00 am**
**Tuesday & Thursday - 6:30 am**
**First Saturday of the month 8:30 am**

## FEAST OF FAITH

### The Gloria (2)

The Gloria is a rejoicing prayer, an exclamation of praise. It begins with the song of the angels at the announcement of the birth of Jesus (Luke 2:14), a heavenly burst of praise for God's loving action in the world. But in the Gloria, the song goes on, leaping, as it were, from height to height, with every kind of praise, blessing, adoration, glory, and thanksgiving.

We begin by thanking and praising God the Father; then we turn our gaze to Christ, the Lamb of God. The paschal mystery of Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection is found here, at the heart of this prayer, which descends to the depths with Christ, but then rises with him to the heavens, where he is seated at the Father's right hand. The Gloria ends with a series of acclamations to Christ, emphasizing over and over that he "alone" is the Holy One, the Lord, the Most High, truly God, with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Our prayer of praise ends where it began, in the "glory of God the Father." The Gloria, with its arc leading us from the glory of God to the suffering of Christ and again to glory, is the pattern of the Mass itself. At the center of all our prayer is the sacrificial love of Christ. —Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

# ST. EUGENE YOUNG ADULTS

**The St. Eugene Parish Young Adults group will be participating in the Archdiocese of Chicago's Lenten Life Groups program!** Lenten Life Groups are faith-based small groups that are centered in Christ and in community. They offer a safe space for young adults ages 21-39 to grow in their faith and seek deeper relationship with Christ.

**Our group will meet on Tuesday nights from 8:00 PM-9:00 PM via Zoom.** The first session will be on February 23, 2021, and we will meet for six weeks during Lent.

We will reflect on the Sunday Gospels and discuss the 7 deadly sins and corresponding virtues. All are welcome! **No prep work is needed, and no need to attend all sessions! Come experience the season of Lent with a young adults community!**

To register, please visit https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc4-oyNpkeXxsLbpBwuNold-nHYrm_qyrmz7i_TClsVykyzA/viewform?fbclid=IwAR31564qAycOymIfRv4U66hjlHtgahJMYAro05FVKid8bTlpeFumb6NM1gc or email youngadults@st-eugene.org.

For more information about the Archdiocese of Chicago Lenten Life Groups program, see the flyer below.



# Parish Ministries & Opportunities

The information on this page is intended to assist those in our parish in knowing the variety of ministries and activities at St. Eugene. The names and phone numbers of the heads of each ministry are here for your information.

## Education Commission

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Alumni Association | Suzy McGovern | 773/631-9313 |
| Baptismal Preparation | | 773/775-6659 |
| RCIA | Angie Cisek | 708/456-1375 |
| Religious Education | Margaret Kinel | 773/763-2237 |
| School Board | Nate Brown | 630/770-378 |

Parish Pastoral Council Liaisons

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|---|---|
| Rosemary Schu | 847/271-8807 |
| Kathy Taylor | 773/763-2235 |
| Mary Unger | 708/456-4849 |

## Parish Life Commission

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|---|---|---|
| Altar & Rosary Society | Lois Feist | 773/774-1511 |
| Athletic Board | Patty Samborski | 773/763-2235 |
| Church Support Tabulators | Don Feist | 773/774-1511 |
| Girl Scouts | Robyn Rog | 773/919-6019 |
| Finance Council | Anthony Woldeit | 773/775-6659 |
| Italian Catholic Federation | Anna Rubino | 708/878-9562 |
| Knights of Columbus | | |
| Parish Pastoral Council | Sal Sparacino | 630/768-8375 |
| Simbang Gabi | | |
| St. Joseph Table | Sal Sparacino | 630/768-8375 |
| Young at Hearts Club | Roberta Gols | 773/774-0471 |

Parish Pastoral Council Liaisons

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|---|---|
| Stephanie Romeo | 773/484-6057 |
| Steve Tomzik | 708/453-0690 |




## Human Concerns Commission

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Alcoholics Anonymous | Tom G. | 773/456-5326 |
| Annulment Support | Fr. Rich | 773/775-6659 |
| Ministry of Care | Joanna Bischof | 773/775-6659 |
| Respect Life Committee | Terri Swiderski | 708/867-9097 |
| Social Concerns Ministry | Chris Jassak | 773/775-6659 |
| | Joe Kilian | 773/631-0054 |

Parish Pastoral Council Liaisons

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|---|---|
| Mike Czubek | 312/388-2686 |
| Rita Kopf | 773/625-1928 |
| Betty Urbaszewski/Gebhardt | 708/457-0787 |

## Spiritual Life Commission

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Altar Servers | | |
| Bereavement | Parish Office | 773/775-6659 |
| Eucharistic Adoration | Joanne/Joe Portenlanger | 773/594-9397 |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Lois Feist | 773/774-1511 |
| Greeters | Michael/Bridget Brennan | 773/763-6952 |
| Lectors | Lois Feist | 773/774-1511 |
| Liturgical Decorating | Terri Swiderski | 708/867-9097 |
| Liturgy Committee | Angie Cisek | 708/456-1375 |
| Music Ministry: | | |
| Choir | Lydia Hilado | 773/793-8460 |
| Children's Choir | Lydia Hilado | 773/793-8460 |
| Ministry of Prayer | Terri Swiderski | 708/867-9097 |
| Sacristans | Lois Feist | 773/774-1511 |
| Ushers | Joe Portenlanger | 773/594-9397 |

Parish Pastoral Council Liaisons

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|---|---|
| Sal Sparacino | 708/457-1583 |
| James Schmitt | 847/287-2446 |

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.**
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**for the selfless acts they perform**
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**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.**

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**DIRK HALLER**
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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.

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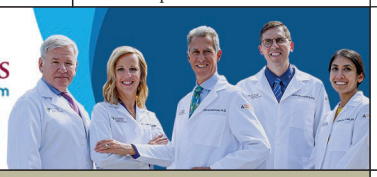
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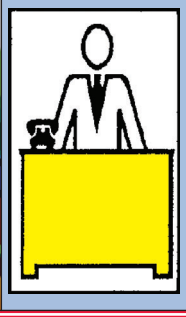
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