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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 5, 2021



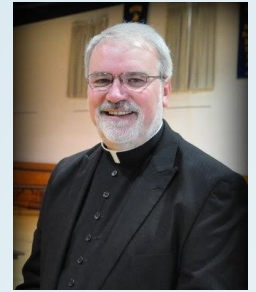
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*Centered in the Eucharist
Loving God • Worshiping Together
Serving All • Welcoming Everyone*

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...



Today we celebrate with Catholics and many other Christian churches throughout the world the Second Sunday of Advent and the beginning of the second week of a four-week season of preparation for Christmas. This season has always been a difficult and at the same time good one for many of us because it is constantly reminding us of the value and importance of patience and waiting. One of the biggest obstacles we face during Advent is that we do not like to wait. If we have to stand too long at the checkout counter or if our popcorn takes too long to pop in the microwave or if we're still operating from a dial-up connection as opposed to having a digital line, we get frustrated and become impatient. Deep down we all know there is a value in waiting. It teaches us patience. More importantly it helps us to realize we are not in total control of our lives. As much as we would like to think that we are. This season reminds us that there are things in life worth waiting for. When we get good at waiting, we might even realize that waiting can be half the fun. It makes the event for which we have waited even more pleasurable.

We are so programmed in our society to jump from one season to the next without ever stopping to pause and reflect upon what we've just done or even been through. The Halloween decorations are put away and without a breath the Christmas decorations are put in their place. I've even heard Christmas songs on the radio for six weeks already. All of this frenzy of activity short circuits our spiritual preparations for Christmas. We jump from Thanksgiving to Christmas without a pause. Somehow, we must reclaim this holy season, and not just because this is what is expected of us. We need to do it for ourselves to give us some sacred space so that our season of Advent prepares us for a season of joy.

If you might be looking for ways to use the Season of Advent to seriously prepare for Christmas, then consider the following:

- keep the season at home with your own Advent wreath (we all need visual reminders to remain faithful to our ideals)
- make all of your Christmas preparation activities like shopping, baking, card writing, decorating etc., opportunities for prayer. You've heard the words of the song, "Whistle while you work", well try the same thing by praying while you work.
- make it a point to become more active and to participate more in daily or weekly mass, come to the Advent Communal Reconciliation Services that will be held here at St. Eugene on Tuesday evening, December 21st at 7:00 p.m. Confessions will be heard in English and in Polish
- take another look at your bible at home...read it!, especially the gospel of Luke this year. Pick up some good Catholic meditation books to help you make the most of the season.
- get more involved in other charitable activities.
- finally, don't get trapped into celebrating Christmas before Christmas arrives; this way Christmas won't already be over for you before it truly arrives.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is celebrated on Wednesday, December 8th. This celebration of Mary, the Mother of Jesus Christ, being born without original sin is a holy day of obligation in our Church. For this reason, all Catholics should be attending Mass on this day. Our schedule of Masses on Wednesday, December 8th is: 6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m. Please join us as we honor and celebrate Mary's Immaculate Conception.

Next weekend the 2nd Collection will be taken up for one of the worthiest causes of all – the retirement care of the thousands of men and women of religious communities who, for many generations, have been our teachers, mentors and caregivers in our schools and hospitals, as well as in a host of other care-giving institutions. Each year, Catholics throughout our country are asked to offer their support for these dedicated men and women who for most of their lives have worked for practically no salary and received little or no healthcare benefits. This annual Retirement Fund for Religious was begun some years ago by our bishops to help defray some of the escalating costs that were being incurred by religious communities trying to provide health care for their increasing numbers of aged members.

Many of us would not be who we are or where we are today, were it not for the care and persistence of the religious sisters, brothers and priests who were responsible for our spiritual and educational needs. This is our chance to say “thank you” for all that these dedicated men and women have given to us over the years. Please show your support and gratitude by your generosity in this year’s Retirement Fund for Religious Collection being taken up next weekend. Envelopes were provided in your monthly packets or are available at the doors of church as well as in the vestibule. Thank you for your generosity in this most worthy of causes.

On behalf of Cardinal Cupich and myself, I want to thank all in our parish for the generous support and commitment you have made to this past year’s Annual Catholic Appeal. Together you have enabled our parish to reach its goal of \$50,423.94. As Cardinal Cupich shared in a recent letter to me, this is a remarkable sign of your faith-filled commitment. He asked me to communicate his gratitude to the people of our parish and to encourage us all to pray for the renewal of this local church in the Archdiocese of Chicago, especially as we face challenges together but as we also continue to rely evermore deeply on the Lord who walks with us.

Please know of my gratitude as well.

We have once again purchased the “Little Blue Books” for you to use as another way of coming to appreciate the rich meaning and traditions of the Advent Season. Please be sure and take a copy home or to work with you. These books are back by popular demand and they make great companions for meditation and for interesting reading. They will be available at all masses until all are gone.

For the past few years, I have wanted to illumine the bushes and shrubs that surround our beautiful church building during the Advent and Christmas seasons. This year, we have finally been able to get this accomplished thanks to the assistance of our Knights of Columbus who have graciously volunteered their time to decorate the landscaping around the church with blue and white lights. I want to thank Steve Tomzik for coordinating this project as well his brother Knights for getting it done. I think you will be pleased with the warm and inviting new look around our church that you will see in the weeks ahead.

Have a great start to the season of Advent everyone!

P.S. Just a reminder to let you all know that all six of our church’s entrance and exit doors are now opened for our weekend Masses. We ask, however, that you fill in the front pews off the center aisle first, so that we are visibly gathered as a community of faith around the altar of the Lord.

Fr. Rich

Renew My Church: Preparing our Feedback for Cardinal Cupich

Our Grouping Feedback & Discernment Team has been hard at work following the lead of the Holy Spirit to prayerfully respond to the different scenarios that hold the potential for our parish. To be sure, many of the conversations have been difficult requiring time, patience, prayer and, above all, trust in our Lord Jesus Christ in whom all hope resides.

There is such great love for our Lord, our Church, and the parishes we call home amongst our Grouping Team members. I am thankful for the time and effort that each has contributed over the past few months.



Next Steps

On Monday, December 13th, the pastors of our grouping parishes and a few additional members of the team will present the Feedback Summary to the Renew My Church Commission's Executive Committee:

- Our local Vicar, Bishop Mark Bartosic
- Vicar General, Bishop Robert Casey
- Fr. Jason Malave, Cardinal's Liaison for RMC
- Betsy Bohlen, Chief Operating Officer for the Archdiocese
- Cliff Barber, Chief Strategy Officer for the Archdiocese
- Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Archdiocese

This is an opportunity for members of our local faith communities to provide a voice to the Feedback Summary Report. There is only so much a document can tell someone about the local realities and possibilities, so having our team members spend time with the Executive Committee allows everyone to have a rich conversation about what's unique in our grouping and amongst our parishes.

Please pray for everyone involved, that we may allow the Holy Spirit to be the true author of our thoughts and words in these important conversations.

As always, for more information, visit RenewMyChurch.org, or ask me or any of the members of our Grouping Team. They are: Anthony Woldeit, Jackie Gregorio, Sal Sparacino, Tom Swiderski, and Cyndi Schu.



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Advent and Christmas 2021

Advent Mass Schedule

Dec. 4-5; Dec. 11-12,
Dec. 18-19

Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am
11:30 am



Wednesday, December 8,

Feast of the

Immaculate Conception

(A Holy Day of Obligation)

Mass Times:

Wednesday, December 8

6:30 and 9:00 am,

7:00 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, December 21 - 7:00 pm (English & Polish)

Saturdays - 4:00 pm (until all are heard)

(No confessions on Christmas Day)

Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass: Friday, December 24 - 9:00 am

Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24 - 3:00 pm (Family Liturgy), 5:00 pm,
9:30 pm (Christmas carols begin), 10:00 pm (the Mass of Midnight)

Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25 - 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:30 am

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**Feast of the Holy Family**: Saturday, December 25 — NO 5:30 PM VIGIL MASS

Sunday, December 26 - 9:00 am and 11:30 am

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Weekday Mass: Friday, December 31, 2021 - 9:00 am

New Year's Eve, Friday, December 31, 2021 - 4:00 pm (Mass of Anticipation)

New Year's Day, Mary, Mother of God (a Holy Day of Obligation)

Saturday, January 1, 2022 - 10:00 am (Community Mass)

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### **Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord**

Saturday, January 1, 2022 - 5:30 pm (Mass of Anticipation)

Sunday, January 2, 2022 - 9:00 am and 11:30 am



### OPLATKI

Christmas Wafers

Oplatki will be available beginning December 1 for a donation of \$3.00 at church and at the rectory office (during regular office hours).

There are 4 wafers per envelope.

### **Rectory Hours**

Mon - Fri: 9 am - 5 pm

(closed for lunch, 11:30-12:30 pm)

Sat & Sun: 9 am - 1 pm

The rectory will be closed  
Christmas Eve &  
Christmas Day

The rectory will close at noon  
on New Year's Eve and be  
closed on New Year's Day.

**THIS WEEKEND**

**QUEEN OF HEARTS  
RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE  
AFTER ALL MASSES  
IN REAR VESTIBULE**

**SECOND COLLECTION  
FLOWERS FOR OUR ALTAR  
AT CHRISTMAS**

**FAMILY MASS  
FEATURING 5TH GRADE - 11:30 AM**

**BLOOD DRIVE**

Blood Drive for  
Molly Morris  
@ St. Monica Parish  
Hosted by KOFC Council 14008  
Today, Sunday, December 5  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Beyenka Hall  
5115 N. Mont Clare Ave.  
Chicago 60656



**Z Radością Bóg  
Prowadzi nas  
do Światta**

Dzień: Niedziela 5 Grudnia, 2021  
Msza Święta 9:00am  
Parafie St. Rozalia lub St. Francis Borgia  
Początek Rekolekcji: 10:30am, koniec 5:00pm  
Miejsce: St. Eugene Convent 7920 W. Foster Ave. Chicago, IL 60656  
Organizowane przez Verbum Dei Missionary Sisters  
Donacja: \$15  
Zapisy: (224) 280 8396 lub [verbumdeichicago@gmail.com](mailto:verbumdeichicago@gmail.com)

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Eucharistic Adoration began the first Monday of Advent 2004 at St. Eugene Parish.

A special acknowledgement is extended to all who, for seventeen years, have faithfully kept their commitment to participate every Monday.

We acknowledge also all those who take time to honor Jesus in the Holy Eucharist on Mondays as often as possible.

Through Adoration, the Christian mysteriously contributes to the radical transformation of the world and to the sowing of the gospel.

**ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

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

Christ gives himself to us in the measure  
we give ourselves to him.  
Blessed Columba Marmion

**PLEASE COME – VISIT JESUS**

**CHRISTMAS CHOIR**

The St. Eugene Choir invites parishioners to join them on the glorious Feast of Christmas for the 10:00 PM Christmas Midnight Mass and/or the 11:30 AM Mass on Christmas Day. **There will be one rehearsal in church on Wednesday, December 22 at 7:00 PM.**

**SECOND COLLECTION****NEXT WEEKEND**

**Religious Retirement**





## Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

Like the women and men religious shown here, thousands of elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have devoted their lives to helping others. Across the US, generations of Catholics gratefully recall their ministry in Catholic schools, hospitals, parishes, and works of mercy. Most older religious served for little pay. Today, without enough retirement savings, many religious communities are struggling to care for senior members. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide nursing care, medicine, and other necessities. Please be generous.

**Please give at your local parish.**

**[retiredreligious.org](https://retiredreligious.org)**

**To donate by mail:**

National Religious Retirement Office  
3211 Fourth Street NE  
Washington DC 20017-1194

*Make check payable to Retirement Fund for Religious.*



He Will  
*Rejoice*  
over you!

Zephaniah 3:17

Date: December 11th - 12th  
Where: 7920 W Foster Av  
Chicago Illinois 60656  
Donation: \$70  
More Information: 224 280 8395



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**St. Eugene School  
Queen of Hearts Raffle**

DRAWING EVERY WEDNESDAY 9:00PM  
BINGO BEFORE DRAWING AT 7:00PM  
@MULLEN'S BAR & GRILL - 8313 W. Lawrence

**WILL YOU...  
FIND HER?**

50/50  
PROGRESSIVE  
RAFFLE  
TICKETS: \$5 EACH  
Cash only

PROCEEDS  
BENEFIT  
OUR SCHOOL

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL  
OFFICE, RECTORY, OR MULLEN'S BAR  
AND GRILL ANYTIME

54 card deck including Jokers - You pick 1-54!  
If the joker is picked, the raffle resets!

**Mullen's  
BAR & GRILL**



Isabella Minerva Torres



Joakim Eli D. Lopez



## LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

I will be working on the 1st Quarter schedule for Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Communion which will be January 8th through March 27th, 2022.

If you haven't already let me know the dates you will be unavailable to be a Lector or Extraordinary Minister, please drop a note in the Sunday collection basket or leave a note at the rectory at the rectory and mark it to my attention (Lois Feist) or email me at: feist8267@comcast.net **NO LATER THAN December 11th** so I will not schedule you for those dates. If you need to make any changes in the mass times you requested, please include that as well.

Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers who didn't respond to the letter I sent when sign-up for Sunday masses was discontinued, have been removed from the active list; but if you wish to continue, let me know because you are mandated through November 2022.

## A DEEP CHANGE OF HEART

When John proclaimed a baptism of repentance, as today's Gospel relates, he called people to a deep change of heart. For John the Baptist, repentance was not simply regret for past failings, but a commitment to orient life around God's desires and purposes. What might living in alignment with God's desires look like? Our readings offer some clues. Baruch indicates that when mercy and justice are embraced like a royal garment, we may see the fruits of repentance. Paul notes how the Holy Spirit has been active within the church in Philippi, forming them to live in a loving and united community of faith, so they may witness to the love of God. And John himself suggests that a repentant heart clears a path for God to enter, leveling the mountains and valleys of our resistance, so that God might dwell within.

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## EARLY PRINTING OF OUR BULLETIN

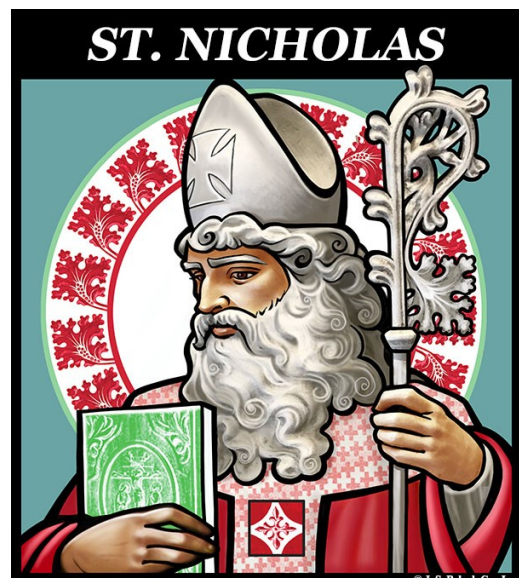
**Bulletin copy for the weekend of December 18/19 must be in the rectory office by 9 am on Wednesday, December 8.**

**Bulletin copy for the weekend of December 25/26 must be in the rectory office by 9 am on Monday, December 13.**

**Bulletin copy for the weekend of January 1/2 must be in the rectory office by 9 am on Monday, December 20 by 9 am.**



Service makes our talents bear fruit and gives meaning to our lives. Those who do not live to serve, serve for little in this life.



## **Please Consider a Gift to the Church that Pays you Back**

The spirit of giving is most evident during the Advent season. A Charitable Gift Annuity is a great way to make a gift to the Church and receive fixed payments for life—benefitting you today and our parish in the future. You can schedule payments according to your financial needs, and enjoy immediate and future tax benefits, including a federal income tax deduction for a portion of your gift, if you itemize. Also, a portion of each annuity payment will be tax-free (through life expectancy). The funds remaining after your lifetime will support our parish – as designated by you.

For more information, please contact our Parish Business Manager, Anthony Woldeit by phone at 773-775-6659 or email at [awoldeit@st-eugene.org](mailto:awoldeit@st-eugene.org) or visit [giving.archchicago.org/cga](http://giving.archchicago.org/cga). *To receive a free, no-obligation illustration of how you could benefit from a Charitable Gift Annuity, contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.5404 or [kcampbell@archchicago.org](mailto:kcampbell@archchicago.org).]*



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**CRISIS PREGNANCY HELPLINE  
1-800-400-4205**

## **PLEASE PRAY**

**For the Sick:** Annabella Amato, Pat Apida, Lawrence Basili, Judy Bauer, Al Bischof, Jr., Anthony Bongiorno, Tod Bourgart, Julie Bronski, Mary Ann Cortese, Susan & Tom Curtin, Anita Dublanski, Marge Dyson, Fr. Dan Fallon, Don Feist, Bruno Fondriest, Bob & Carol Gasiorek, Patricia Gelfond, Wayne Greco, June Grovak, Erika Arquilla Hlavacek, Jeff Hlavacek, Tim Heider, Karen Pavlis-Karasawa, Leonard Laidlaw, Donna Laterza, Abigail Lim, Allie Lim, Rose Mary Maratto, Camille Miller, Russ Moskal, Michael J. Muscarello, Michael C. & Virginia Muscarello, Therese G. Nawara, John O'Malley, Joseph Padlo, Ryan Pemberton, Kay Phelan, Rita Rogers, Stephen Rom, Frances Salvato, Patricia Schippers, Bob Schu, Bernadett Sedlacek, Emily Steckiewicz, Kevin Stenson, Joan Walsh, and for those who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes and under hospice care.

**Newly added to our sick list:** Jeremiah Kennelly, Bonnie Veth

**For the Deceased:** Jerzy Staszewski

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

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**+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +*****Saturday, December 4 - Vigil:******Second Sunday of Advent***

5:30 Raymond John Horn, Richard Majewski,  
Hillard & Michael Michalek, Giovanna Ragni & Fam.

***Sunday, December 5 - Second Sunday of Advent***

9:00 Julia & Walter Gwozdz, Dec'd Mbrs. Heiberger Fam.,  
Christine Purtell, Mary Ellen Rozny,  
Helen & Walter Wojtas

11:30 People of the Parish  
Bruno & Leo Fams., Rosalia Macaluso,  
Vincenzo & Agata Macaluso, Jimmy Martin,  
Daniela & Ernesto Palumbo,  
Giuseppe & Concetta Rinaudo, Raymond Sedivec

***Monday, Wednesday, & Friday: 9:00 am***

***Tuesday & Thursday: 6:30 am***

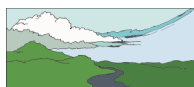
***First Saturday of the month : 8:30 am***

***Monday, December 6 - St. Nicholas***

9:00 Purgatorial Society  
Ewing & Chillemi Fams., Ralph Gebert,  
Robert A. Nosek

***Tuesday, December 7 - St. Ambrose***

6:30 Regan & LaPietra Fams., Robert P. Reilly, Sr.,  
Avelino Reyes

***Wednesday, December 8 -******The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

6:30

9:00 Giuseppe Capozzi, Carmela & Francesco Esposito,  
Ralph Larsen, Delores Pesole

7:00 Bill Haj

***Thursday, December 9 -******St. Juan Diego Cuauthlatotzin***

6:30

***Friday, December 10 - Our Lady of Loreto***

9:00 Roger Hollinger, Konopka & Brocar Fams.,  
Fr. Fred Tomzik

***Saturday, December 11 - Vigil:******Third Sunday of Advent***

5:30 Hillard & Michael Michalek,  
Special Int. Carol & Dave Nichaus, Stella Rombotis,  
Angelina Scianna

***Sunday, December 12 -******Third Sunday of Advent***

9:00 Dec'd Mbrs. Betz Fam., Joseph Chiavetta,  
Vito Chiavatta, Elsie Constantino,  
Florence Jassak, Mary Lines, Renato Vergara

11:30 People of the Parish  
Leonardo Cataldo,  
Vincenzo & Adele Pizzuto, Raymond Sedivec,  
Agnes Wahrbein



## **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Look around most Catholic churches, and you will discover an image of John the Baptist, often in the old baptistery, or in a window near where the font is or was located. He has two feast days in the calendar: one commemorating his birth, and the other his death. There are only three nativities in our calendar: for Jesus, for Mary, and for the Baptist. John's birthday is reckoned according to the schedule given in Luke's Gospel of the angel's announcement to Mary. The angel tells her that her cousin Elizabeth is in the sixth month of pregnancy, and so Mary hastens to help her. Reckoning Christmas as December 25, we count backwards nine months to March 25 for the Feast of the Annunciation. Then we count forward three months to June 24 for John the Baptist's birth. Halfway to Christmas, his nativity gives ample reason for rejoicing in the summer, and his symbols of fire and water are used playfully in bonfires and dives into the sea. Even at the polar opposite of Christmas in the calendar, the energy of Christ's birth in the Incarnation provides cause for rejoicing.

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## NOVEMBER 7, 2021 - FAMILY MASS FEATURING 6TH GRADE



This is the Burzawa family lighting the first candle of Advent.



Immaculate  
Conception



Immaculate Mary  
Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing.  
You reign now in heaven  
with Jesus our King.  
In heaven the blessed glory proclaim;  
On earth we your children  
invoke your fair name.  
We pray for our Mother,  
the Church upon earth,  
And bless, Holy Mary, the land of our birth.  
Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria!



## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

| <u>WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 20-21</u>                                                                                              |                    | <u>NOVEMBER 2021 RUNNING TOTAL</u>       |                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Physical Contributions:</b>                                                                                                | \$ 7,492.29        | <b>Cash received in envelopes:</b>       | \$ 29,979.25       |
| 5:30 Mass:                                                                                                                    | \$ 1,710.00        | <b>Electronic giving:</b>                | \$ 7,375.00        |
| 9:00 Mass:                                                                                                                    | \$ 2,306.00        | <b>Total:</b>                            | \$ 37,354.25       |
| 11:30 Mass:                                                                                                                   | \$ 1,601.00        | <b>Budgeted amount:</b>                  | \$ 35,100.00       |
| Mailed In:                                                                                                                    | \$ 1,875.29        | <b>Deficit/Surplus</b>                   | <b>\$ 2,254.25</b> |
| <b>Electronic giving:</b>                                                                                                     | <u>\$ 2,703.00</u> | <u>FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE RUNNING TOTAL</u> |                    |
| <b>Total:</b>                                                                                                                 | <b>\$10,195.29</b> | <b>Cash received in envelopes:</b>       | \$ 198,335.80      |
| <b>Operating budget requirement:</b>                                                                                          | \$ 11,700.00       | <b>Electronic giving:</b>                | \$ 45,793.00       |
| In order to meet our budgeted expenses for this fiscal year, we need to receive \$11,700 a week in our offertory collections. |                    | <b>Total:</b>                            | \$ 244,128.80      |
| <b>Deficit/Surplus</b>                                                                                                        | <b>\$ 1,504.71</b> | <b>Budgeted amount:</b>                  | \$ 245,700.00      |
|                                                                                                                               |                    | <b>Deficit/Surplus</b>                   | <b>\$ 1,571.20</b> |

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.**



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## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

| <u>WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 27-28</u>                                                                                              |                    | <u>NOVEMBER 2021 RUNNING TOTAL</u>       |                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Physical Contributions:</b>                                                                                                | \$10,403.16        | <b>Cash received in envelopes:</b>       | \$ 40,382.41       |
| 5:30 Mass:                                                                                                                    | \$ 2,505.00        | <b>Electronic giving:</b>                | \$ 8,955.00        |
| 9:00 Mass:                                                                                                                    | \$ 2,426.00        | <b>Total:</b>                            | \$ 49,337.41       |
| 11:30 Mass:                                                                                                                   | \$ 1,938.00        | <b>Budgeted amount:</b>                  | \$ 46,800.00       |
| Mailed In:                                                                                                                    | \$ 3,534.16        | <b>Deficit/Surplus</b>                   | <b>\$ 2,537.41</b> |
| <b>Electronic giving:</b>                                                                                                     | <u>\$ 1,580.00</u> | <u>FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE RUNNING TOTAL</u> |                    |
| <b>Total:</b>                                                                                                                 | <b>\$11,983.16</b> | <b>Cash received in envelopes:</b>       | \$ 208,738.96      |
| <b>Operating budget requirement:</b>                                                                                          | \$ 11,700.00       | <b>Electronic giving:</b>                | \$ 47,373.00       |
| In order to meet our budgeted expenses for this fiscal year, we need to receive \$11,700 a week in our offertory collections. |                    | <b>Total:</b>                            | \$ 256,111.96      |
| <b>Deficit/Surplus</b>                                                                                                        | <b>\$ 283.16</b>   | <b>Budgeted amount:</b>                  | \$ 257,400.00      |
|                                                                                                                               |                    | <b>Deficit/Surplus</b>                   | <b>\$ 1,288.04</b> |

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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  
MATTHEW CALDERISI  
TIMOTHY EMMETT CAROLAN  
JAMES VINCENT DEGRAZIA  
PATRICK EDWARD DILLON  
ZBIGNIEW DUDKOWSKI  
KURT FEIEREISEL  
MATTHEW SCOTT FORREST  
DIRK HALLER  
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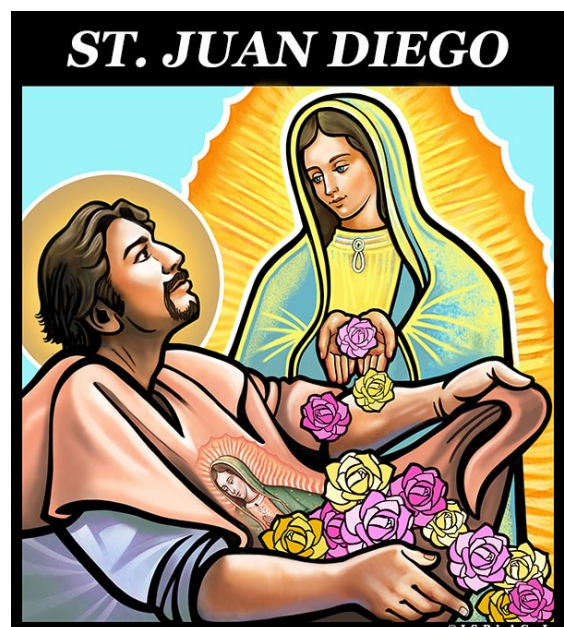
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Also, please call the rectory when your loved one returns home.

#### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Second Sunday of Advent

Almighty and merciful God,  
may no earthly undertaking hinder those  
who set out in haste to meet your Son,  
but may our learning of heavenly wisdom  
gain us admittance to his company.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.



## 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 | Rev. Jacek Dada | 773/775-6659 |
| RCIA                  | Rev. Jacek Dada | 773/775-6659 |
| Religious Education   | Margaret Kinel  | 773/763-2235 |
| School Board          | Nate Brown      | 630/770-3787 |

#### Parish Pastoral Council Liaisons

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

### **Parish Life Commission**

|                             |                 |              |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 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         | Steven Tomzik   | 630/432-2849 |
| Parish Pastoral Council     | Sal Sparacino   | 630/768-8375 |
| Simbang Gabi                |                 |              |
| St. Joseph Table            | Sal Sparacino   | 630/768-8375 |
| Young Adults Group          | Stephanie Romeo | 773/484-6057 |
| Young at Hearts Club        | Roberta Gols    | 773/774-0471 |

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### **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 |

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|                            |              |
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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         | Rev. Jacek Dada         | 773/775-6659 |
| 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 |

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