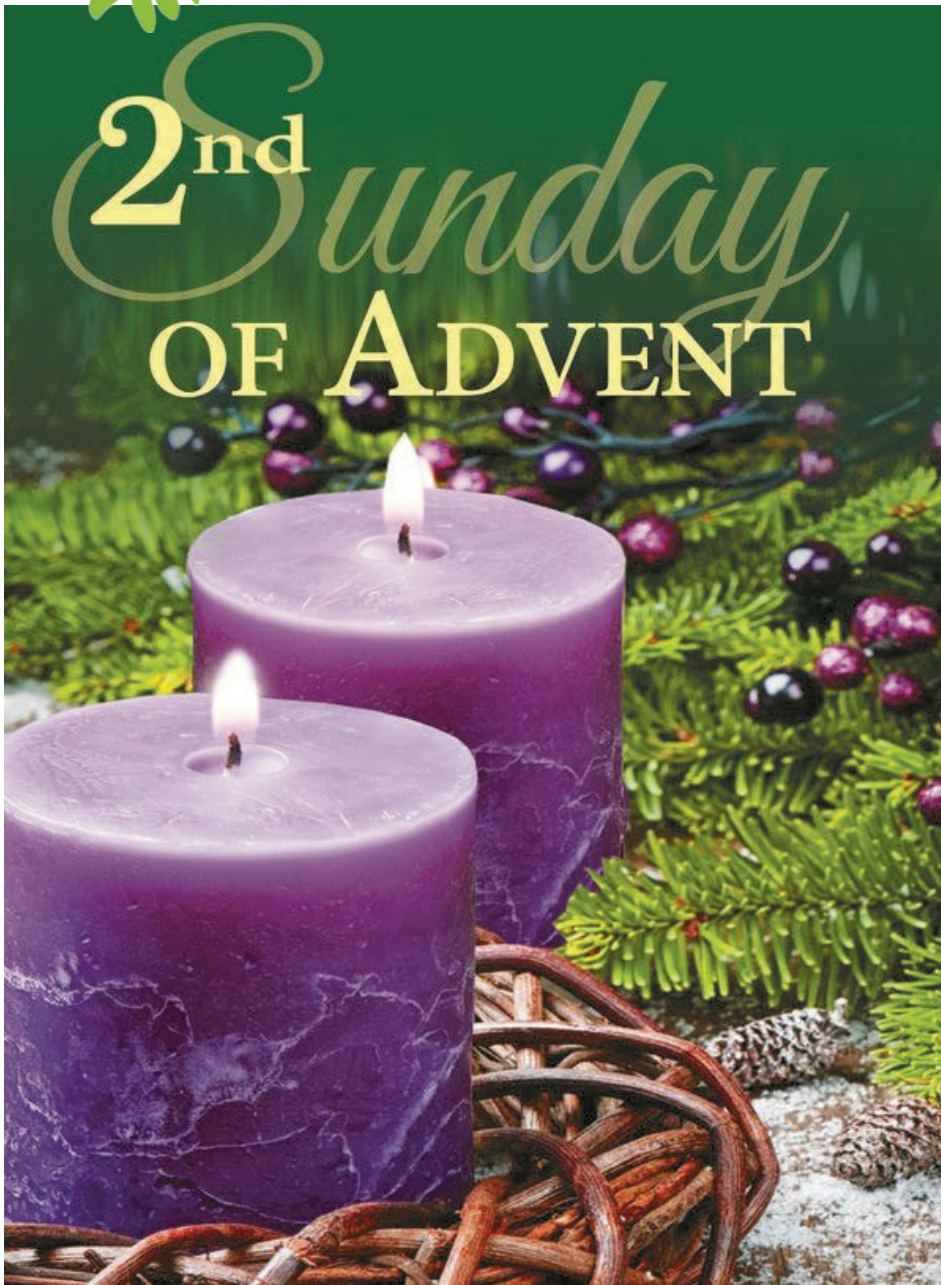


# Queen of Peace Parish



## Welcome!

We, the Catholic community of Queen of Peace Parish, centered in the Eucharist, strive to grow in our faith and our relationship with God as a welcoming people, working for peace and justice through service to others.



### OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

8747 W. Lawrence Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60656  
Ph. (773) 625-3369

#### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

#### MASSES:

Tuesday: 7:00 am  
Thursday: 7:00 am  
Sunday: 10:00 am

### ST. EUGENE CHURCH

7958 W. Foster Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60656  
Ph. (773) 775-6659 (773) 775-6660  
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#### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.- Thur.: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

#### MASSES:

Monday: 9:00 am  
Wednesday: 9:00 am  
Friday: 9:00 am  
Saturday: 8:30 am  
Sunday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am  
11:30 am

CONFESSIONS 4:00 pm

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday: 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Benediction: 5:45 pm

December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023



## *From the desk of Father Rich Yanos*



On this Second Sunday of Advent Mark gives an account of John the Baptist, the one who prepared the way for Jesus. John appears very much like a prophet of old. Like Elijah and Isaiah, his mission was to call the people to repentance. His strange looking demeanor, clothing and diet of locusts and wild honey as well as his demanding message of repentance attracted people of all sorts who came to him for baptism.

John makes it clear that those who are baptized must produce good fruit as evidence that they have truly changed. I suppose we should be asking ourselves if we are producing “good fruit” as the result of our baptisms. In the end it is all about repentance and forgiveness. It is through our willingness to repent and forgive others that we will truly be prepared to meet the Lord when he comes again.

Advent is about “patience”. And like so many things in our life that we want “now”, we are asked to wait. When the time is right all will unfold as it needs to. Let us all patiently yet persistently pray for our God to enter our lives when and where we most need Him.



Today's 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 today's Retirement Fund for Religious Collection. 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.



Our Parish Communal Advent Reconciliation Service will take place on Tuesday, December 19th, at 7:00 p.m. Confessions will be heard in both English and Polish. As you make your personal preparations for Christmas, I invite you to join us in receiving the healing power of Jesus and the gift of God's grace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please plan on joining your parish community on December 19th. There will be many priests

hearing confessions on this night as this will be the only parish Communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for Christmas other than our regular Saturday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. **However, there will be no confessions heard on Saturday, December 23rd.** Please plan on joining us.



Christmas Oplatki (wafer) is now available in the gathering spaces of our churches and at the parish offices during normal business hours, for those who wish to share in this beautiful custom at their Christmas family meals. This Christmas Wafer is a Christmas tradition celebrated in Poland (Oplatki), Lithuania (Kaledaitis), Slovakia and some regions of Italy. This wafer is identical in composition to the host that is used during a Catholic Mass. It is usually embossed with Christmas related religious images, varying from the nativity scene, especially the Virgin Mary with baby Jesus, to the Star of Bethlehem. Family members and friends break off a small piece of the wafer and give it to one another along with a blessing, as a symbol of forgiveness and to remind participants of the importance of Christmas, God, and family. An explanation of how to partake in this custom is provided on the envelope containing the wafer. Each packet contains 4 wafers and is available for \$3.00. Every year we run out, so you might want to pick yours up this weekend before they are gone. Parish Calendars for 2024 can also be found at the doors of our churches and in the gathering spaces. Please be sure to take one home with you.



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 and can be found at the doors of our churches until all are gone.



I just wanted to remind all in our parish community that our Saturday evening Mass time will be changing beginning on the first weekend of January which happens to be January 6th. (Only 4 weeks away) The 5:00 p.m. Mass will be moving a half an hour earlier to 4:30 p.m. Confessions will also be moving a half an hour earlier from 4:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Please make a note of this change, especially those that attend the Saturday evening Mass.



A little humor...

Q. What do they call pastors in Germany?

A. German Shepherds

B. Q. What kind of man was Boaz before he married Ruth?

A. Ruthless

*Fr. Rich Yanos*





**Saturday, December 9, 2023**

**5:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass - Mass at St. Eugene Church**

Anna, Stanislaw & Joseph Gibas,  
Wayne Greco, Albina Haluch,  
Victoria & Franciszek Kiwior,  
Judith Shepherd, Eugene Spalinski,  
Joseph Tedesco, Laima Guobys, Kazys Guobys.

**Sunday, December 10, 2023**

**8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church**

Casimir & Florence Bobka, Robert J. Brun,  
Ted & Jean Fornek, Colomba Lupo,  
Francesca & Antonino Lupo, Jan Mika,  
Joseph Portenlanger, Lawrence Parada,  
Ron Potempa, Janet Toton.

**10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church**

Rose Nardi Boucher, John Catanese,  
Franca De Fonte, Carmine DiBalsamo,  
Mary Ellen Graziano, Angela Lepore,  
Pietro Pisello, Jozef Rebacz,  
Maria Murphy Sanchez, Helena Swieton

**11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church**

People of the Parish,  
Mary Kate & John Brennan,  
Dec'd mbrs of the Betz Gam.,  
Gina & Concetta Castellese,  
Giorgio & Maria Castellese,  
Annie & Michael Connor,  
Hillard (Mike) Michalek, Michael Michalek,  
Bernadett Sedlacek, Carol Gasiorek

**Monday, December 11, 2023**

**9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church**

Armando Abdon, Sr., Barbara Kolbski,  
Michael Mariani, Rev. Fred Tomzik, Agnes Wahrbein

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023**

**7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church**

B-day Blessing for Nicole

**Wednesday, December 13, 2023**

**9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church**

Souls in Purgatory  
Mitchell Addison,  
Dawn Burk,  
Virgil Rutili, Jr.,  
Ed Veth

**Thursday, December 14, 2023**

**7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church**

Souls in Purgatory  
Reynaldo Lafue - B-day Remembrance

**Friday, December 15, 2023**

**9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church**

Robert & Dorothy Liacone,  
Sophie & Frederick Tomzik

**Saturday, December 16, 2023**

**8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church**

Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, December 16, 2023**

**5:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass - Mass at St. Eugene Church**

Daniel Anciano,  
Loretta Brichetto,  
Vito & Rosa Calabrese,  
Francesco & Antonietta DiMaso,  
Wayne J. Greco, James Lusco,  
Eleanor Pastorino,  
Marie Pastorino,  
Gloria Podkowa,  
Helen & Walter Wojtas

**Sunday, December 17, 2023**

**8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church**

People of the Parish,  
Robert J. Brun, Juan Diaz,  
Jean Fornek - B-day Remembrance,  
Mark, Arthur & Bonnie Frackiel,  
Ben Pacyna, Dorothy & George Thiermann,  
Janet Toton

**10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church**

Lydia Adrianaro - Death Anniv.,  
Norbert & Wesley Feret,  
Marcia Juszynski,  
Muglia & Grossi Fams.,  
Pietro Pisello,  
Stefania Rebacz,  
Maria Murphy Sanchez,  
Anthony Seminaro,  
Joseph Subsits,  
Calogera Caterina Vivacqua

**11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church**

Domenico & Anna Battista,  
Ralph Ferri,  
George & Pearl Giovannoni,  
Hillard (Mike) Michalek, Michael Michalek,  
Bennie Martin,  
Muglia & Grossi Fams.,  
Joe Notaro,  
Michael Vito Parente,  
Michael Sr. & Anna Parente



## ADVENT MASS SCHEDULE

December 9-10, December 16-17, December 23-24

**St. Eugene Church:**

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am & 11:30 am

**Our Lady, Mother of the Church:**

Sunday 10:00 am

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**St. Eugene Church:**

Tuesday, December 19 - 7:00 pm (Eng. & Polish)

Saturdays - 4:00 pm EXCEPT Saturday, Dec. 23.

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

A holy day of obligation - Friday, December 8

**Our Lady, Mother of Church:**

7:00 am & 4:00 pm

**St. Eugene Church:**

9:00 am & 7:00 pm

### 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 24

**St. Eugene Church:**

5:00pm - Saturday, December 23

8:30 am & 11:30 am - Sunday, December 24

**Our Lady, Mother of the Church:**

+10:00 am - Sunday, December 24

## CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

### CHRISTMAS EVE, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

**St. Eugene Church:**

3:00 pm (Family Liturgy), 5:00 pm

9:30 pm (Christmas Carols Begin), 10:00 pm

**Our Lady, Mother of the Church:**

4:00 pm

### CHRISTMAS DAY, MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

**St. Eugene Church:**

8:30 am & 11:30 am

**Our Lady, Mother of the Church:**

10:00 am

### FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

**St. Eugene Church:**

5:00 pm - Saturday, December 30

8:30 am & 11:30 am, Sunday, December 31

**Our Lady, Mother of the Church:**

10:00 am - Sunday, December 31

### NEW YEAR'S EVE, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

**St. Eugene Church:**

4:00 pm - (Mass of Anticipation)

### NEW YEAR'S DAY, MARY MOTHER OF GOD, MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024

**St. Eugene Church:-** 10:00 am

### FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024

**St. Eugene Church:**

4:30 pm - Saturday, January 6

8:30 am & 11:30 am, Sunday, January 7

**Our Lady, Mother of the Church:**

10:00 am, Sunday, January 7



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Mon. - Thur. 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Fri. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sat. 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

### OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

Mon. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm



RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED ON Sun., Dec. 24 - Mon., Dec. 25 and on Sun., Dec. 31 - Mon., Jan. 1.

### OPLATKI - CHRISTMAS WAFERS

will be available beginning December 2<sup>nd</sup> for a donation of \$3.00 at both churches and at the rectory office during regular office hours.

Contained in this week's bulletin you will find our first Annual Report reflective of the combined parishes of Divine Savior, Our Lady, Mother of the Church, and St. Eugene as the new parish that is now Queen of Peace. As you might imagine it was quite a challenge pulling this report together due to the different approaches items may have been coded in each of the finance offices of our three parishes. However, the report is as accurate as can be. There are some important things to take note of. Before the uniting of our parishes, Divine Savior and Our Lady, Mother of the Church were operating with deficit budgets while St. Eugene operated on the plus side. For this reason, you will see that our newly combined parish ended the fiscal year with a minimal surplus of \$5,721.54. Fortunately, it is on the plus side as minimal as it may be.

As you know this was a year of many challenges as we eventually normalize our income and expenses. There were many extraordinary expenses with the cleaning up and preparation of Divine Savior before it went on the market. You've heard me talk about the over \$100,000 of unexpected and not budgeted expenses we have had to incur this past year with the breaking down and repair and replacement of many of our heating, air-conditioning, and plumbing systems in both the church and school. These problems are far from over, as the St Eugene heating pumps in the church and the heating and cooling system at Our Lady, Mother of the Church are in dire need of repair/replacement. Many of our systems are original and are now showing signs of wear.

Since this is the first year of an Annual Report for our new Queen of Peace Parish there is not a second column in this report which normally includes the previous year's statistics. We will have to wait until next year for us to be able to compare where we are in comparison to the previous year.

I do want to thank all in our parish for your financial support of our parish as well as your personal engagement and involvement in the ministries of our community of faith. Without this support we would not be where we are today. As we look to our future, we will be looking at ways to engage the members of our parish more fully and creatively in the mission of evangelization. If we are to be here for the next generation, we must seek greater ways to engage and involve the younger members of our parish families and beyond. Our future will be as bright as we are willing to make it. I so look forward to what lies down the road as we continue to Renew the Church as the People of God we are called to be.

*Fr. Rich Yanos*

# QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH

## ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

	<u>Total</u>
<b>Other Income (Cont'd)</b>	
5110 Fund Collections	\$ 3,966.73
5120 Capital Collections	\$ 1,200.42
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$ 192,057.82</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>	
6000 Expenses Covered by Insurance	\$ 2,153.00
6030 Pymt Arch Required Collections	\$ 48,839.50
6060 Other Extraordinary Expenses	\$ 19,960.98
6110 Capital Improvements	\$ 2,650.00
Reconciliation Discrepancies	\$ (94.98)
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 73,508.50</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>\$ 118,549.32</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 124,270.86</b>

### PARISH BANK ACCOUNTS

<u>Parish Checking Accounts</u>	
Parish Checking Account	\$ 126,740.25
Religious Education Account	\$ 26,793.26
St. Eugene Bank Accounts	\$ 664,415.11
St. Eugene Payroll Account	\$ 3,739.38
OL Mother of the Church Operating	\$ 38,915.43
OL Mother of the Church Raffle	\$ 293.39
OL Mother of the Church AC Restr.	\$ 50,000.00
Social Concerns Ministry	\$ 1,191.88
Christian Cares	\$ 6,230.56
Good Samaritan Ministry	\$ 4,622.03
Men's Club	\$ 1,467.98
Friendship Club/Seniors	\$ 2,121.84
Elizabeth Ministry	\$ 88.53
Filipino Ministry	\$ 331.04
<b>Total Checking Accounts</b>	<b>\$ 926,950.68</b>

<u>Parish Savings at Archdiocese Bank</u>	
Parish Savings	\$ 16,997.56
QofP 90 Day CD	\$ 152,059.79
OL Mother of the Church 12 Month CD	\$ 50,951.80
OL Mother of the Church 12 Month CD	\$ 57,851.54
QofP 12 Month CD	\$ 1,005,743.38
Divine Savior TTWCI Account	\$ 379,680.31
St. Eugene TTWCI Account	\$ 6,715.23
OL Mother of the Church TTWCI Account	\$ 36,422.27
Parish Building Fund	\$ 6,801.63
<b>Total Parish Archdiocese Accounts</b>	<b>\$ 1,713,223.51</b>

# QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH

## ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

	<b>Total</b>
<b>Income</b>	
3000 Sunday and Holy Day Collections	\$ 957,838.45
3020 Christmas Collection	\$ 78,546.00
3030 Easter Collection	\$ 71,616.97
3040 Other Collections	\$ 34,150.51
3350 Lease and/or Rental Income	\$ 44,633.36
3450 Fund Raising Net Income	\$ 13,876.62
3500 Interest & Investment Income	\$ 12,714.84
3600 Auxiliary Groups	\$ (11,576.03)
3700 Miscellaneous Income	\$ 148,752.12
3721 Social Concern	\$ 6,666.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 1,357,218.84</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
4010 Salaries	\$ 526,468.20
4030 Health Insurance-Employer Paid	\$ 51,110.48
4040 Employer FICA	\$ 38,441.66
4050 Fringe Benefits	\$ 14,936.20
4060 Prof. Growth/Minist./Other	\$ 2,144.15
4100 Books & Supplies,Non-Liturgical	\$ 23,372.40
4150 Administrative Expenses	\$ 46,657.72
4200 Transportation	\$ 51.35
4250 Food Service & Meals	\$ 22,667.90
4400 Telephone	\$ 4,037.81
4410 Heating Fuel	\$ 73,643.98
4420 Electricity	\$ 35,991.66
4430 Other Utilities	\$ 16,303.32
4450 Maintenance & Building Repairs	\$ 128,613.60
4650 Altar & Liturgical Supplies	\$ 24,809.96
4750 Archdiocesan Assessment	\$ 134,431.00
4760 PRMAA Assessment	\$ 47,047.00
4780 Property/Casualty Insurance	\$ 94,313.26
4790 Auto Insur-Priest Owned Vehicle	\$ 2,986.00
4800 Miscellaneous	\$ 63,469.65
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,351,497.30</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>\$ 5,721.54</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	
5000 Insurance Recoveries	\$ 1,153.00
5010 Sharing Collections Oth Parish	\$ 24,714.32
5020 Sharing Money Rec'd Oth Parish.	\$ 3,505.30
5030 Arch Required Collections	\$ 48,839.50
5050 Estates, Bequests & Memorials	\$ 52,590.09
5060 Other Extraordinary Income	\$ 56,088.46



# PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Pat Apida  
Annabella Amato  
Ralph J. Amelio  
Victoria Amelio  
Patricia & Lawrence Basili  
Judy Bauer  
Ludwika Bialo  
Bronislaw Bialo  
A. & V. Bischof  
Gabriella Bongiorno  
Virginia Bongiorno-Lawrence  
Johnmar Castillo  
Gracie Carey  
Karen Cazolas  
Mary Ciliak  
Mark Corrado  
Sharon Crowley  
Susan Curtin  
Angela & Rocco D'Alessandro  
Joseph Duna  
Tony Fiore  
Bob Gasiorek  
Harry Gelardi  
Patricia Gelfond  
Jeff Herden  
Renee Holm

Ryszard Jablonski  
Terry Katz  
Mary T. Keating  
Arthur Kopeck  
Harry Krawczyk  
Thomas Landeck  
Abigail Lim  
Allie Lim  
Frank Lizak  
Rose Mary Maratto  
Mickey Margelewski  
Stanislaw Mazek  
Azucena Melendrez  
Jazmine Melendrez  
Dolores Michalek  
Patrick Misciniscinski  
Linda Morton  
Michael C. & Virginia Muscarello  
Michael J. Muscarello  
Rodney Niewinski  
Joey Notaro  
Anthony Notaro  
Victoria Nudo  
Rev. James J. O'Brien  
Donie Odulio  
Catherine O'Hara

Blanca Pacia  
Robert Pankow  
Camille Pavlis  
Karen Pavlis - Karasawa  
Anthony Parisi  
Kay Phelan  
Rita Rogers  
Diane Rizzuto  
Pat Schippers  
Shirley Schindler  
Peter Schroeder  
Robert Shelton  
Dolores Scorza  
Maria Slomski  
Daniel Staniec  
Emily Steckiewicz  
Rachael Stowe  
Mae Stryker  
Laverne Suchor  
Bob Schu  
Tom Szczec  
Dave Tudron  
Ernesto Vergara  
Genowefa Wawronowicz  
Dolores Wilk

**We pray for our loved ones who are serving in any branch of the Armed Forces during this time of conflict.**



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

Major Adamczyk  
Joseph Antosh, Jr.  
Ghaleb Azroui  
Donald Bellisario  
Matthew Calderisi  
Timothy Emmett Carolan  
Melissa Rose Cortese  
James Vincent Degrazia  
Patrick Edward Dillon  
Zbigniew Dudkowski  
Matthew Scott Forrest  
Dominic John Guerrieri, Jr.  
Major Dirk Haller

Andrew Hopkins  
Christopher Jenkins  
Bernard Edward Kusinski  
Lt. Radoslaw Korzeniak  
Antonio James Lim  
Payne Manczko  
Chris Marchiori  
Daniel Meaney  
Keith Miller  
Michael Morales  
Mike Mroszczak  
Thomas Neuhengen  
Eric Norwood

Elliott O'Claire  
Vincent Page  
Chad Pritchard  
Nicholas Ranch  
Adam Roberts  
Joseph Saineghi, Jr.  
Holly Schippers  
Michael Schippers, Jr.  
Sean Sherlock  
Sharon Sherlock  
Phillip R. Simonsen  
Tony Strzalka



### Sunday, November 26

5:00 SE	\$2,546.00
8:30 SE	\$3,248.50
10:00 OLMC	\$1,834.00
11:30 SE	\$2,134.00

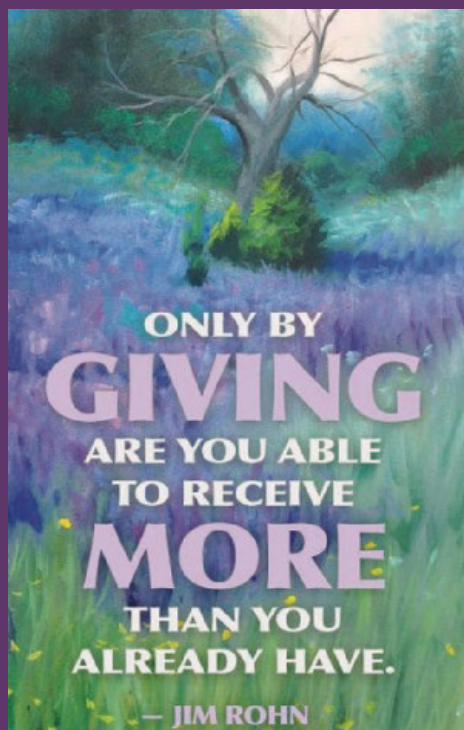
Mail SE	\$3,713.75
<b>Total Physical</b>	<b>\$13,476.25</b>

GC DS	\$363.01
GC OLMC	\$190.95
GC SE	\$1,921.00
<b>Total Online</b>	<b>\$2,474.96</b>

**Grand Total** **\$15,951.21**

School Support \$1,992.00

Please continue your contribution in the usual way, until we finalize the merger of the databases and electronic giving accounts.  
**Thank you for your support!**



### Queen Of Hearts Raffle Tickets

Available After All Masses  
In Rear Vestibule  
(Tickets are Also Available  
In SE Rectory Office)

**Pancake Breakfast with Santa**  
7:30am - 11:00 am  
St. Eugene Shaunessy Center

**Family Mass - 11:30**  
Featuring 5th Grade

### Second Collections

**Dec. 10** Retirement Fund for  
the Religious

**Dec. 17** Parish Repairs and  
Maintenance

**Dec. 24 & 25** Christmas

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

**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!



### Bulletin Submissions:

Bulletin requests must be sent  
two weeks prior to the desired  
bulletin weekend to

[mgeurtsen@archchicago.org](mailto:mgeurtsen@archchicago.org)

We reserve the right to edit.

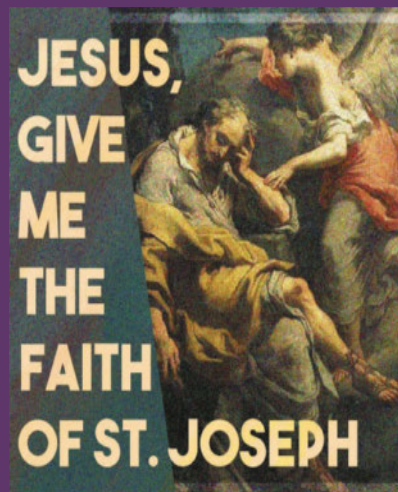
Submissions will be placed in the  
bulletin if space allows and  
pending administration  
approval. Please call the parish  
office for the holiday schedule.

*Thank you.*

### Please Pray for our Deceased Parishioners:

† Ezio Di Bartolo

*May the souls of the faithful  
rest in peace.*



## Schedule of Liturgical Ministers

DATE	Celebrant	Extraordinary Minister	Altar Server	Lectors
SATURDAY, 12/ 16 5 PM - ST. EUGENE	Rev. Rich Yanos Dcn. Chris Virruso	M. Lim - WB C. Lim - B R. Sparacino - C MB Glynn - O J. Horn - WO		S. Sparacino
SUNDAY, 12/17 8:30 AM ST. EUGENE	Rev. Ed Pacocha	I. Rog - WB D. Duszynski - B J. Cardella - C G. Bermas - O M. Unger - WO		C. Mikucki
SUNDAY, 12/17 10:00 AM - OLMC	Rev. Jacek Dada Dcn. Chris Virruso	R. Catalano - C N. Divinagracia - T	D. Flynn G. Pilch J. Pilch	L. Muehlfelder - 1st N. Ringelstein - 2nd
SUNDAY, 12/17 11:30 AM ST. EUGENE	Rev. Greg Rom	M. Tomzik - WB P. Tomzik - B M. Holder - C M. Zurek - O J. Nardi - WO		P. Brown

I will be working on the 1st Quarter Lector & Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion schedule for 2024 which is January 6, 2024 – March 31, 2024. I need to know **no later than December 24<sup>th</sup>** what dates you are **NOT AVAILABLE**, so I do not schedule you for those dates. Please drop a note in the Sunday collection basket with your name and the dates you are **NOT AVAILABLE**. Mark it to the Attn: Lois Feist. Any of the new Eucharistic Ministers that attended the formation class at St. Francis Borgia on October 25<sup>th</sup>, I need a copy of the certificate you were given after the class. You can stop by the rectory during business hours and ask the receptionist to copy it and leave it in Lois Feist's tray.

**REMEMBER, STARTING IN 2024, THE 5PM SATURDAY MASS WILL BE AT 4:30 PM.** Anyone who originally selected 5PM as one of their mass choices, I have changed them to 4:30 PM. If you do not want to be scheduled for this new mass time, please let me know which mass time you wish.



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## Men's Silent Retreat

All men are invited to attend our annual retreat at the Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House in Barrington, IL. Arrive Friday, Jan. 26th between 3:30pm and 6:00 pm and depart Sunday, Jan. 28th around 1:00 pm.

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Please contact Ralph Cantal at 708-362-0631 for more information.

There is also a semi-silent retreat Feb. 9-10 for both men and woman that is recommended.

More info will be forth coming.



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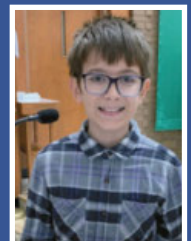
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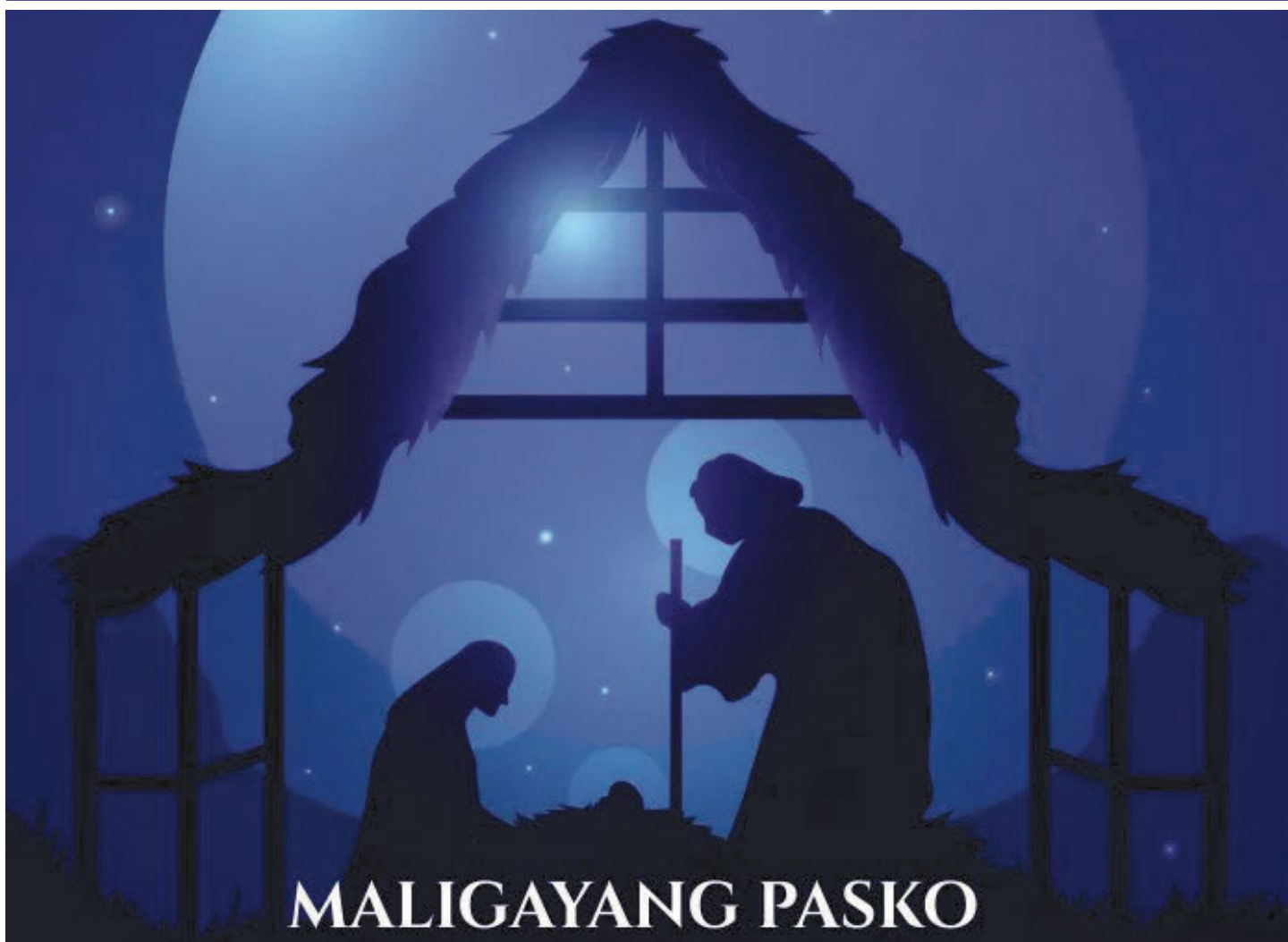
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## Sixth Grade

Family Mass Sunday, November 5, 2023





# MALIGAYANG PASKO

## **Simbang Gabi**

Simbang Gabi, a Filipino tradition, is a novena mass celebrated in joyful anticipation of the coming of our Savior. This traditional evening Mass is a distinctive aspect of Filipino culture and has been celebrated for many years.

## **Queen of Peace Parish**

welcomes all to experience the beautiful liturgy of Simbang Gabi

**Friday, December 22, 2023, at 5:30 PM.**

**Celebrants:** Fr. Noel Reyes

Fr. Rich Yanos

Maligayang Pasko! = Merry Christmas!

Fellowship and dinner will follow

## **Our Lady, Mother of the Church worship site**

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For information, please contact Rose Molas (773.680.0712).

## Rosaries for Senior Religious

This Sunday is the annual national appeal for the Retirement Fund for Religious, so the Rosary intention of the Rosary Guild this week is for our elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and priests in religious orders. Rosary Guild members, listed below, pray at least one Rosary for the intention of the week. To become a member, please contact the rectory office

Emily A.	Lita J.	Lonnie M.	Emilie P.	Shirley S.
Lori G.	Evelyn K.	Mary M.	Stefania P.	Milabelle T.
James H.	Terri K.	Ted M.	Jean R.	
John I.	Gilda M.	Josephine N.	Demi S.	

## Living Rosary

Pray a decade of the Rosary each day for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and in honor of the patron of the Living Rosary, Saint Philomena. Together, the decades of the Living Rosary members comprise a daily Rosary. The last three decades of the Glorious Mysteries are still available. To pray one of these decades each day, please reach out to the rectory office.

### Joyful Mysteries

Annunciation – Ted M.  
Visitation – Barb R.  
Nativity – Josephine N.  
Presentation – Karen R.  
Finding in the Temple – Mary M

### Luminous Mysteries

Baptism of Jesus – Barb R.  
Wedding at Cana – Mary M.  
Proclaim the Kingdom – Ted M.  
Transfiguration – Emily A.  
Institution of Eucharist – Emily A.

### Sorrowful Mysteries

Agony in the Garden – Jean R.  
Scourging at the Pillar – Jean R.  
Crowning with Thorns – Mary M.  
Carrying of the Cross – Ted M.  
Crucifixion – Demi S.

### Glorious Mysteries

Resurrection – Lita J.  
Ascension – Marsha G.  
Descent of Holy Spirit  
Assumption of Mary  
Coronation of Mary

## CHRISTMAS DECORATING AT QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH



### ST. EUGENE CHURCH:

**Saturday, December 9, from 1:00 until 2:30 pm.** We will be putting up 2 medium and 2 large Christmas trees.

**Friday, December 22, from 6:30 until 9:00 pm.** We will be putting up the Christmas Banners, setting up the Nativity Scene and small trees in front of the altar, decorate vestibule with Holy Family statue & trees, put up Christmas wreaths and Christmas flowers.

**Friday, January 12, from 6:30 until 9:00 pm.** Take down all the Christmas decorations, rearrange flowers and put-up Ordinary Time banners and altar cloths.

### OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH:

**Saturday, December 16, from 1:30pm - 5:30pm** – putting up Christmas trees/decorations in Church and Narthex.

**Thursday, December 21 from 5:00pm - 8:00pm** – putting up the Nativity Scene/bringing in Christmas flowers.

Cleaning up at OLMC

**Thursday, January 11 & Friday, January 12 from 5:30pm - 8:30pm** – taking down/putting away all Christmas decorations.

Please call the rectory to leave your name, phone number and e-mail address and we will get back to you!  
Thank you.



"PRAY IN ORDER TO BELIEVE,  
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We meet every Wednesday in St. Eugene School  
room 110 from 10:00 to 12:00.

If anybody has any questions or comments please  
feel free to email Frank at [fjizak@comcast.net](mailto:fjizak@comcast.net).

All are welcome co come.  
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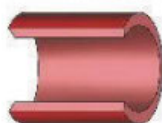


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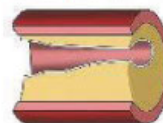
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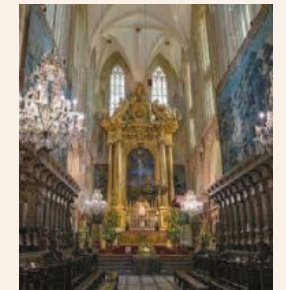
Parishioners of Queen of Peace Parish,

Hello, my name is Nathan Ringelstein. I am fundraising to go on a pilgrimage with my Newman Center to Poland to visit holy sites of some of the great Saints of our faith. The trip will last 10 days in all, and we will visit holy sites of saints including Pope Saint John Paul II, Saint Faustina Kowalska, and St. Maximilian Kolbe. One of the parts of the trip that I am most excited about is on day 4 when we will be visiting Jasna Gora Monastery in Czestochowa where the beautiful icon of The Black Madonna of Czestochowa resides. Then, we will be celebrating mass in the beautiful town and praying a holy hour. I am so excited for this day, I just know that the Monastery will be beautiful and I can't wait to celebrate the Holy Mass.



On a few other days, we will be visiting Krakow to see holy sites of Pope Saint John Paul II. We will be seeing the Church of St. Stanislaus Kostka where JP II celebrated mass as a priest. Then we will be off to the Wawel Cathedral and visit the Royal Tombs.

To the left you can see where they celebrate mass inside the Wawel Cathedral. I can't wait to see the artwork inside, and especially the altar where Jesus comes to us each day.



Our pilgrimage will also be taking a stop in Auschwitz to see where St. Maximilian Kolbe gave his life to save Franciszek Gajowniczek, who went on to be present at St. Kolbe's beatification, and testified to St. Kolbe's great Christian light and love.

I am very excited for this trip! My Catholic faith is the most important thing to me, and to be able to visit important places in the lives of some of the great saints who inspire me is something that I will hold dearly in my heart forever. I can't wait for the opportunity to celebrate masses and pray a holy hour every single day, and I will certainly be praying for all of you who helped to get me here!

If you would like to help me, make it to this Poland pilgrimage, there are a couple of ways for you to help. You can use the [link](#) here, which will take you to the donation website. If you prefer to use zelle, you can use the number 708-250-5590 to send your donation. Or, if you prefer to send checks, you can mail them to Nathaniel Ringelstein, 1509 Chapel Drive, Unit 2746, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383-7123.

Any donations which go over the amount used for the trip will be donated to St. Jude's Children Hospital.

I am so grateful to everyone who has helped me to make it to this Poland pilgrimage, and I look forward to praying for you all.

In Christ,

-Nathan Ringelstein

The Holidays are upon us  
where we often indulge in more fatty,  
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To stay on track monitoring  
your heart health,  
please join me to assess your blood  
pressure in the Narthex on these date:

December 16 at 5:00pm St Eugene

December 17 at 8:30am St. Eugene  
10:00am OLMC  
11:30am St. Eugene

Blessings,  
Terri, RN



## Friendship Club Christmas Party

**The Friendship Club will be meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 12th at 11:00 SHARP. This will be our Christmas Party. Please feel free to wear your Christmas outfit if you want.**

**Our lunch will be ham slices with pineapple sauce, baked chicken, roasted potatoes, Italian mixed vegetables, Hawaiian buns, and cake for dessert.**

**We will be entertained by ELVIS, also known as Joe Tirrito. After lunch, Bingo will be played.**

# Queen of Peace Parish

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**Please contact the St. Eugene Church Rectory Office for:**  
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## Our Worship Sites:

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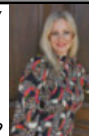
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