



From the desk of Father Rich Yanos



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thanks be to God we are an Easter people! That means that the Resurrection of Jesus Christ – the very fact that He lives today – guides every aspect of our lives. For us, Easter isn't simply a day of remembrance – it is a way of life. And we have a mission, given by Jesus to the apostles and handed down to us in our own time, to invite others into that same way of life.

Your Easter gifts are an important part of bringing our shared mission to life. In fact, contributions shared during the Easter season constitute a significant portion of our annual budget and our ability to fund vital ministries and areas of operation for our parish.

I humbly ask that you make an Easter gift of any amount to ensure that our parish ministries and operations can continue. You can send your gift to our parish office, or online by going to our website www.st-eugene.org and click on the Give Central picture located in the middle of the welcome page. Clicking this link will take you directly to St. Eugene's Give Central page. If you are able to increase your weekly contribution, you may do so through our webpage, as well.

I also invite you to give of your time. As we renew our local Church, our Lord invites each of us to discern how to offer our gifts of time and talents so that our community is enriched by our mutual participation in the life of the parish. Looking to our future new efforts at being better evangelizers of our faith as well as increased emphasis on strengthening our existing hospitality ministries and creating new ones will be one of our priorities. Please consider being a part of these future endeavors.

If you are unable to make a financial gift currently or to serve in other capacities, please continue to pray for our Queen of Peace family and know that I am praying for you.

You are a gift to our Queen of Peace family and your mere presence in the pews on Sundays and Holy Days to worship our Lord and gather around the Eucharistic table means more to our local Church than you might realize.

Just a reminder that our Palm Sunday weekend Masses will remain the same as our normal weekend schedule, but Easter Sunday Masses will not. Easter Sunday Masses are as follows:

7:30 am, 9:00 am, and 11:30 am at St. Eugene

9:00 am, and 11:00 am at Our Lady Mother of the Church

Please take note of these changes for Easter Sunday. As you know there will be many more people coming to church these weekends. We ask that everyone please move to the center of the pews to allow for the seating of our parish members and visitors/guests. We have churches that seat over 1000 and 500 people comfortably. Let's allow for each possible seat to be used. I realize everyone like to sit in their "usual" spots, but this year let's do our best to accommodate everyone. Thanks so much as we roll out the welcome mat to all who choose to join us for our Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter celebrations.

Also, our Holy Week Masses and services will all be at 7:30 p.m. and be held at St. Eugene Church for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

On Good Friday, Stations of the Cross will be held at both St. Eugene and Our Lady, Mother of the Church at 3:00 p.m.

The Blessing of Easter baskets and foods will take place on Holy Saturday - 12:00 Noon at Our Lady Mother of the Church and 1:00 p.m. at St. Eugene Church.

An abundance of graces upon you and your loved ones during this joyous Easter season!

God Bless,

Fr. Rich Yanos

An important reminder:

Some important news that effects all our parishioners... Although it has been over a year that our three parishes united under the new name of Queen of Peace, it was not until this past November that we were able to merge our three data bases. This meant that every parishioner now has a new envelope number. Our bank has asked us to remind our parishioners that all checks should now be made out to our new parish name: Queen of Peace. No longer should you be making checks out to St. Eugene, Our Lady, Mother of the Church or Divine Savior as very shortly our financial institution will not be accepting them. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Lent & Easter 2024

Stations of the Cross

Good Friday, March 29 at 3 pm **SE & OLMC**

Holy Week Schedule

The Triduum Services

Holy Thursday, March 28 Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30 pm **SE**

Good Friday, March 29

Stations of the Cross - 3:00 pm **SE & OLMC**

Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 7:30 pm **SE**

Holy Saturday, March 30

Blessing of Easter Baskets - 12:00 pm **OLMC** and 1:00 pm **SE**

Easter Vigil Mass - 7:30 pm **SE**

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, March 31 7:30 am, 9:00 am & 11:30 am **SE**

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