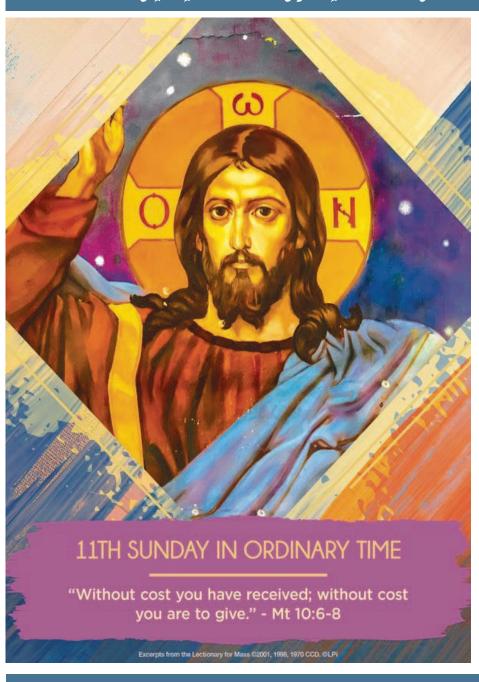
Queen of Peace

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

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:

CONFESSIONS

Monday:

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ADDITION OF THE BEESSES SACISMENT

4:00 pm

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Benediction: 5:45 pm



From the desk of Father Rich Yanos



Today is the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time and it is also Father's Day.

Dads, I'd like to wish all of you a very Happy Father's Day! So often Father's Day takes a back seat to Mother's Day, yet both days are important reminders to us of the two most important people in our lives.

May all our fathers know of our respect, love admiration and appreciation of them. If you are fortunate to still have your father with you, give him a call, write him a letter, or just tell him how much he means to you. I'm sure it would mean the world to him.

I am so grateful for the outpouring of love, best wishes, and support that came from our Queen of Peace Parish community as we celebrated my 40th ordination anniversary last Saturday night. I didn't want to make a big deal out of this event but at least wanted to acknowledge this milestone with a simple celebration focused on our community of faith. I could not have been happier and more grateful to all those that came to the 5:00 p.m. Mass and then the reception afterwards. I had a great time talking with everyone and so enjoyed all your comments on the pictures of days gone by that were on the display boards.

I know all the work that went into pulling this together and I want to especially thank the following individuals for getting it all together and then having to clean it all up. Thank you to Fr. Jacek Dada, Marsha Guertsen, Lydia and Vince Hilado, our parish choir members, Romolo Jara, Sal and Russ Sparacino, Tom and Terri Swiderski, Lois Feist, Chris Jassak, Mary Unger, Joanna Portenlanger, Kathleen Kon, Rosemary Schu, Angie Cisek, Joe Marley, Jan Jaconetti and Mary Oberheim. I hope I didn't leave anyone out but if I did, please know of my sincere gratitude for all you did.

I also want to thank everyone who were so thoughtful to remember me with your beautiful and heartfelt cards and gifts. Your thoughtfulness is so humbling and so much appreciated. God bless you all!

The relocation of the State of Our Lady, Queen of Peace is now well underway! Hopefully, you have already seen the workers who have poured the cement base near the southwest doors of the church and positioned the center support for the statue. I want to thank Fr. Greg, Ralph Cantal and members of our parish who were busy trimming the bushes and trees in the area around where the statue will be located. This was being done to create a more open view of the Queen of Peace statue. I want to thank all those who are sending in their generous contributions for this project that is estimated to cost around \$30,000.

\$20,000 of this total is the cost for the moving of the statue alone. The remaining amount will be needed to beautifully landscape and light the area around the statue. If there are enough funds, we are planning on installing some benches around the statue so that parishioners can spend some time praying, relaxing, and reflecting around the Queen of Peace. The new location for this statue along Foster Ave. was chosen so that all those driving by will be able to see it. If there are any landscape designers in our parish who might be willing to donate their services, I would very much appreciate talking with you so that we can come up with a plan to beautifully design and create a prayer garden around our new statue of the Queen of Peace.

Soon you will be seeing our new Queen of Peace parish logo. It will be appearing on our weekly bulletin, official parish correspondence, stationary, business cards, envelopes, etc. I think you will like it. It was chosen from among several options that were presented to the Unification Committee. After a few re-design efforts we finally agreed upon the logo we all preferred and will become the new "official" logo of our parish.

May you enjoy the beginning of the summer season!

Fr. Rich Yanos



Mass Intentions for Queen of Peace Parish

SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2023

Our Lady, Mother of the Church

12:30 pm Wedding:

Nicholas Reyes & Melissa Di Giacomo

SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2023

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

For all our living & deceased Fathers

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2023

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

For all our living & deceased Fathers

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

For all our living & deceased Fathers

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

For all our living & deceased Fathers

MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Juan Diaz, Giacomo Giovannielli, Jude & Minn Fams., Lewis & Hatch Fams., Anthony Laterza, John & Helen Masley, Ralph & Janet Page

TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023

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

S.I. for Matthew, Nicole & Damian, Antonio Di Cristofano, Earl Harrington, Carol Ann Jones

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Purgatorial Society Clotilde Cozzone,

Agnieszka Szura - Blessing & Healing, Zofia Chmiel—Blessing & Healing,

Thomas & Vicki Uglinica

THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2023

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

Adela, Wincenty, Juliusz, Aleksander Dmochowski, S. I. for Gumkowski Family

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2023

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

S. I. Sergio De La Torre,

Dimeo & Cornell Fams., Bill Frendreiss, Thomas Hoey, Henrieta Kwilas,

S. I. Eric & Delia Wyszkowski 13th Wedd. Anniv.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2023

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Mike Cozzone, Joan Dahlquist, Pamela Smith, John Zima

3:00 pm Wedding:

Max Holden Hong & Gwen Marie Lewandowski

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2023

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

Dan & Marlene Jarosz 50th Wedd. Anniv., Lucy & Vincent Barone 30th Wedd. Anniv., John Bigwood, Andrew Bujdasz, Frank Cirone, Joseph Cortese, Elmer & Grace Frelka, Wayne Greco, Joe Guidi, Kathy Kuc, Bernadette Mecureo, Judith Shepherd, Gabriele Sorci, George Stryker,

Walter Wrobel - B-Day Remembrance

SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2023

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

People of the Parish
Joan Dahlquist, Ted Fornek,
Dec'd mbrs Love Fam.,
Sharon Swarthout,
Dorothy & George Thiermann,
Alex & Martha Wrobel,
S.I. for Henry Wyszkowski - B-Day Blessings

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

Bill & Catherine Aiken, Catherine De Chatelet & Fam., Janina, Waclaw, Stanislaw Godlewski, Ralph Muglia, Vince Nardi, Pietro Pisello,

Mary & Walter Prezette, Franek & Carolyn Pyrc, Stefania Rebacz, Duane Thurber, Joseph Trimboli,

Lilian Trimboli

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Anna & Joe Concialdi, Joseph Cozzone, Nicholas Calabrese, Muzio D'Attomo, Witold Gadomski Fam., Jakub Ignasik, Hillard (Mike) Michalek, Michael Michalek, Ralph Muglia, Keneth Paulini, Giuseppe Randazzo

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
Kurt Feiereisel
Matthew Scott Forrest
Major Dirk Haller

Andrew Hopkins
Christopher Jenkins
Bernard Edward Kusinski
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
Dominic John Guerrieri, Jr.

Schedule of Liturgical Ministers

Date	Celebrant	Extraordinary Minister	Altar Server	Lectors
Saturday, 6 / 24 5 pm - St. Eugene	Rev. Greg Rom	L. Feist - WB F. Klus - B MB Glyn - C A. Cisek - O J. Horn - WO		L. Olen
Sunday, 6 / 25 8:30 am - St. Eugene	Rev. Ed Pacocha	J. Pomis - WB R. Kennedy - B J. Kolaski - C M. Holder - O C. Mikucki - WO		S. Kumiega
Sunday, 6 / 25 10:00 am - OLMC	Rev. Rich Yanos Deacon Chris Virruso	M. Marszalek - C R. Catalano - T	D. Flynn G. Pilch J. Pilch T. Molas	N. Mosk - 1st K. Kelch - 2nd
Sunday, 6 / 25 11:30 am - St. Eugene	Rev. Jacek Dada	T. Moore - WB C. Paulini - B S. Sparacino - C R. Sparacino - O R. Trovela - WO		J. Mroszczak

Queen of Peace Marian Devotions

Every First Saturday there is a devotion to Mary after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

The Mother of Perpetual Help devotion is prayed on Tuesdays after the 7 a.m. Mass.

The Rosary is prayed before Mass Monday through Saturday.

People also pray on their own at least one Rosary for a weekly intention, forming the Rosary Guild. This week's intention is for fathers. To be a member of the Rosary Guild, please contact the rectory office. Members include:

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



The Living Rosary is where you pray a decade of the Rosary each day for the triumph of Mary's Immaculate Heart, and in honor of Saint Philomena, the patron of the Living Rosary. Please contact the rectory office about praying a decade daily.

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.
Kingdom of God at Hand—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.



Dear Queen of Peace Parishioners and Friends,

Thank you very much for your generous cereal, et al, donations to the New Hope Community Food Pantry and the Ascension

Resurrection Micropantry.

Your food gifts included over 75 large cereal boxes, multiple small individual cereals, > 200 breakfast bars, oatmeal (large and small) and fruit cups/cans.

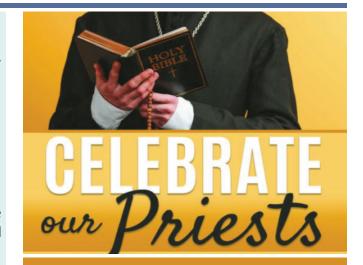
I also receive monetary donations used to purchase food. I so appreciate you sharing your kind spirits and blessings with those less fortunate.

May you receive God's Blessing in return.

Please know that you are in my prayers.

Peace,

Terri, RN



Happy Anniversary
of your Ordination to the Priesthood
Rev. Jacek A. Dada
June 19, 2023
30 years



CEREAL



1st WEDDING BANNS

Vincent Joseph Cullotta & Pamela Irene Nehrke

2nd WEDDING BANNS

Kevin Meier & Shannon Ernst

3rd WEDDING BANNS

Max Holden Hong & Gwen Marie Lewandowski



Thirsting for God?

Do you know someone not baptized or baptized in another Christian tradition, who is thirsting for what it means to be Catholic? Do you know someone already Catholic but has not yet received Confirmation & Communion? They may be thirsting too!



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is a process by which one enters the Catholic Church through prayer, study, and discussion.

More info: Fr. Jacek at jdada@st-eugene.org or please call 773.775.6659 ext. 108

BIBLE STUDY

When was the last time that you have had a talk with our Lord? Or when was the last time that you have picked up the Bible to read? This is an invitation for all **Queen of Peace** parishioners to join us for an hour or so to pray, to read and discuss the coming Sunday readings, and any other questions about our faith that we find interesting. At different times we can find subjects that arouse our interest, such as, the Sacraments, or Beatitudes, and taking apart a prayer so we can really understand what it is that Jesus want us to know.

My name is Frank Lizak and I have been coordinating the Bible Group for the last 10 years. When Divine Savior Parish closed, our group missed a couple weeks. But it did not take long for us to find each other, and a room in the Eisenhower Public Library where we have been having our meetings. The good news is that we have acquired room 110 at St. Eugene School for Wednesday mornings from 10:00 thru 12:00 starting May third. I hope that all will take advantage of dropping in to see what we do. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to send me an email at fjlizak@comcast.net.We always leave with something new to think about.

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Discover the St. Eugene Difference!

Please Call 773-763-2235 or Visit Our Website at www.steugene-school.org to Schedule a Tour and Find Out More Information.



Help Needed for Liturgical Ministers

Have you ever considered serving the Church as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

This role is extremely important for the celebration of the Eucharist.

This ministry puts you at the center of the Church's life.

Currently, we need 5 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at every Sunday Mass except for the third Sunday of every month at the 5PM Mass when there is a Celebrant and a Deacon. Anytime there are multiple Priests and/or Deacons, they take precedence over any Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

Our greatest need for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is at the 11:30 AM Mass on Sunday. This means that our current Ministers at 11:30 Mass must get scheduled more frequently.

If you are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please fill out the information below and drop in the Sunday collection basket or return to the parish office. I will call you to give you additional information and answer any questions you may have to make your decision.

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	(City)	(Zip Code)
mail address:		



June 11, 2023

\$2,864.00 8:30 SE \$2,194.00 10:00 OLMC \$1,838.00

11:30 SE \$2,290.00

Mail SE \$3,107.78

Total Physical \$12,293.78

GC DS \$301.01 GC OLMC \$298.30

GC SE \$4,539.00 Total Online \$5,138.31

Grand Total \$17,432.09

Priest's Health

& Retirement \$5,104.00

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!

This Weekend

Queen Of Hearts Raffle Tickets

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

Second Collection

Father's Day Remembrance

Second Collection Next Weekend

St. Eulalia our Sharing Parish

BULLETIN REQUEST

Bulletin Submissions:

Due Friday by noon,
one week prior
to publication.
Please call
the parish office
for the holiday schedule.
Thank you.

Please Pray f or our Deceased Parishioners:

† Evelyn Winiarski

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.





Young Adults Ice Cream Social

Queen of Peace Parish Young Adults group will be having an Ice Cream Social On Saturday, June 24th, in the Shaunessy Center from 2:00-4:00 pm. Come for ice cream, games, and mingling.

All are welcome!

5220 N. Canfield Ave., Chicago

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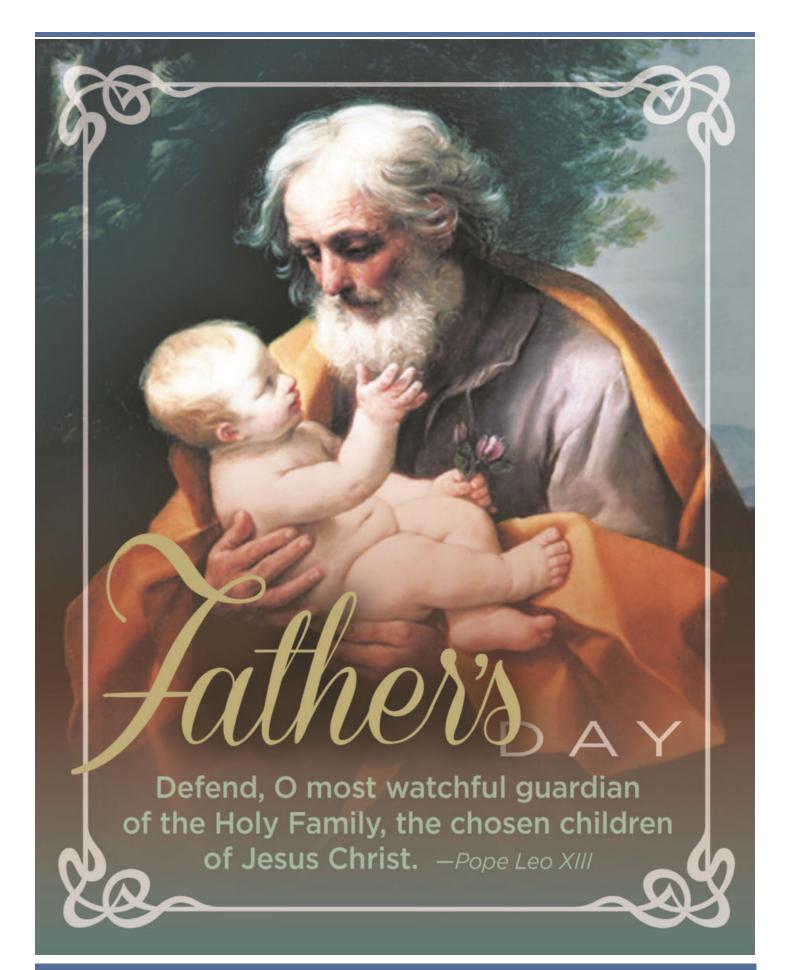
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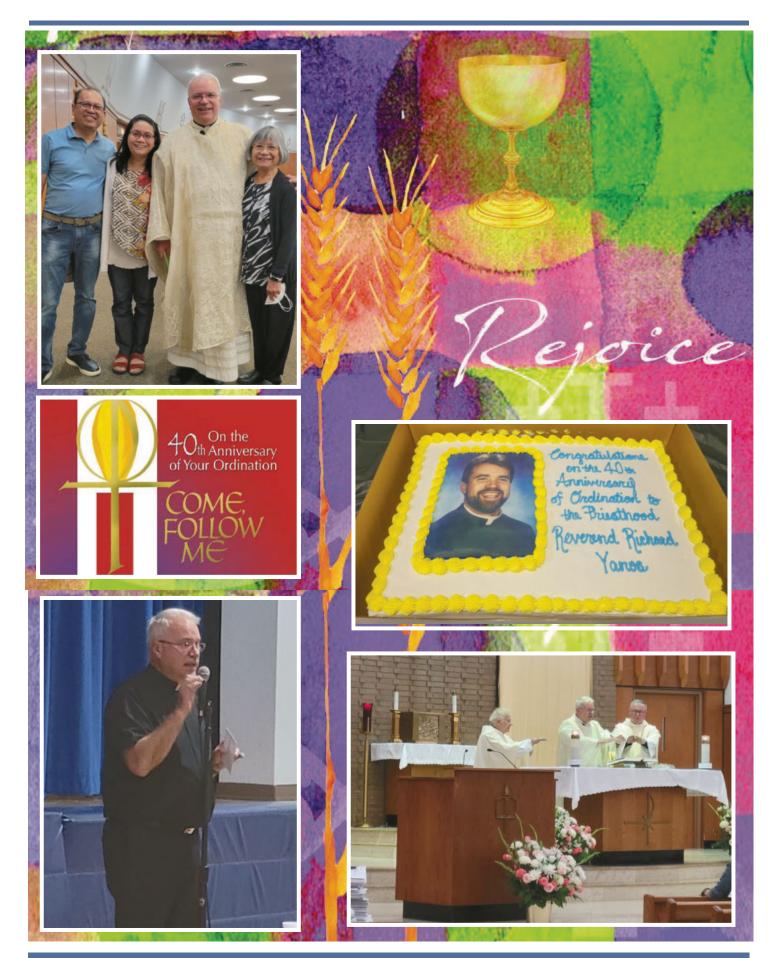
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Eucharistic Adoration
St. Eugene Church
Mondays 4-6pm.
Benediction at 5:45pm







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

A. & V. Bischof

Virginia Bongiorno-Lawrence

Anthony Bongiorno Johnmar Castillo Gracie Carey Karen Cazolas Mary Ciliak

Joseph F. Coglianese

Mark Corrado Sharon Crowley Susan Curtin

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Terry Katz
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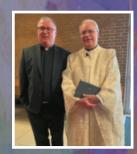
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Anthony Parisi Kay Phelan Joe Portenlanger Rita Rogers Diane Rizzuto Pat Schippers Shirley Schindler Peter Schroeder Robert Shelton Dolores Scorza Maria Slomski Daniel Staniec **Emily Steckiewicz** Lavergne Suchor Bob Schu Tom Szczech Dave Tudron **Dolores Wilk**

Sunday, May 7th Fr. Rich was celebrating 40th Anniversary to the Priesthood. Congratulations Fr. Rich! Many Blessings!









Divine Savior's Marian Shrine, Now known as the Queen of Peace Statue, Will be coming to a new location!

The Unification Committee has approved the relocation of the beautiful Marian Shrine, from the campus of Divine Savior, to Saint Eugene's Church. The shrine was erected by the parishioners in 1987, and was ironically named the Queen of Peace, the name of our new parish. It is fitting that she is moved to the new location.

The Queen of Peace is an 8' stainless steel sculpture weighing 1,200 pounds. The brick base that she sits on cannot be moved and will need to be reconstructed. 3G Construction has been hired to move the statue and replicate the base. The owners of 3G Construction are long-time active parishioners. The statue will be placed in a prominent place along Foster Ave.

We are asking for your financial support for the success of this project. Our goal is to raise \$30,000 which will cover the relocation cost, build a new base, beautify the landscape around the statue, and include lighting and benches.

Will you be able to donate to this project?

Here are ways to contribute:

- Complete the tear offsheet below and Place in an envelope with the Sunday collection.
- Donate online thru Give Central Click on the Relocation of Statue link;
- Mail the form below in or drop off a check to the parish office.

As we move into the future, we are certain that the Blessed Mother, the Queen of Peace, will reign in our hearts and in her new location as we unite under her mantle.

Questions?

Contact Ralph Cantal at 708-453-5303, Domenica Duszynski 773-213-3629 Lonnie Muehlfelder 773-895-4553





Name:	
Donation Amount:	Church Envelope

Liturgical Life

CATHOLIC

The Toy

What does it mean to be God's "special possession"? Our world is dominated by things, objects, possessions. To say we are a materialistic culture is an understatement. In that context, it can be really hard to fully appreciate the meaning of being "possessed" by God. I have so many possessions, after all. I acquire and discard them without thought. I am even overwhelmed by them. Sometimes, it feels like they possess me.

But then I think of the week after Christmas in a house with small children. In that week, there is always The Toy. The Toy that won the heart of your child under the tree, The Toy to which they emotionally attached themselves in a whirlwind of twinkle lights and sugar cookies. For that one week, The Toy is all there is. There were many gifts, but The Toy is special, and there can only be one.

So, what does it mean to be "possessed" by God? What does it mean to be of his people? It means you will be cherished and protected in ways you do not deserve and cannot understand. It means you are distinguished not by your own merit, but by the love with which you are beheld.

It means that you are always The Toy, and every day is Christmas.

"Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine." — Exodus 19:5

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

I've noticed that when I go to Mass at different parishes, sometimes people say and do different things. Why is that?

Answer:

he Mass in its current form has taken shape over the course of 2,000 years. Over time, traditions, structures, and prayers have been put into place. There are certain rubrics for the Mass that are normative wherever you go. This means you could attend Mass in Malawi or Thailand or Italy and still watch the same basic liturgy unfold, even if you don't understand the language. There may be some cultural differences from place to place, things that aren't specifically listed. For example, in the United States most people go up for Communion in a nice, neat line. In Europe, everyone gets up around the same time. It's a bit of a free-for-all!

Some people might take it upon themselves to change things individually. People may not like something that feels too "liberal" or "conservative," and they may take a well-meaning stance in the opposite direction. When people (including the presiders) do things that are distracting or change the liturgy, it introduces an element that breaks the unity of the assembled community. The important thing to remember is that we gather as the Body of Christ to celebrate the Eucharist. If you are confused, ask! If you are frustrated, pray for the spirit of charity.

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2023 | 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant.

you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine.

You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation." (Ex 19:5-6)

Psalm:

We are his people: the sheep of his flock. (Ps 100)

Second Reading:

Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son,

how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. (Rom 5:10)

Gospel:

Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. (Mt 10:1)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Without cost we have received, without cost we are to give. Do we open our hearts to one another with the same reckless love and mercy that God opens His heart to us? How quickly the world could change if we did.

Observances for the week of June 18, 2023

Sunday: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

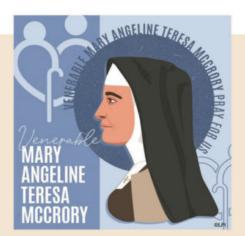
Monday: St. Romuald, Abbot
Tuesday: World Refugee Day

Wednesday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

Thursday: St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

Saturday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Next Sunday: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Venerable Mother Angeline founded the Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and the Infirm in New York. She provided healthcare, housing, and dignity for the elderly making certain that the people in her care enjoyed a life full of community and joy during their advanced years.

Prayer

Almighty and Eternal Father, we thank You for the inspiration You gave to Your daughter, Mother M. Angeline Teresa, to establish the Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm, and to provide loving care for countless elderly men and women with compassion and a respect for their dignity and a regard for life in all its stages. In particular, moved by her example of prayerful trust in Your mercy, we ask You through her intercession for this special intention (pause to add your petitions for healing, etc.) If it be Your gracious will, grant that the virtues of Venerable Mary Angeline Teresa may be recognized and provide a lasting example for Your people.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Amen

(Prayer Source: https://motherangeline.org/ prayer-to-mother-angeline/)

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2023 | 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of June 18, 2023

Sunday:

Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c)/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36—10:8

Monday:

2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday:

2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a/ Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday:

2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday:

2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mt 6:7-15

Friday:

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 6:19-23

Saturday:

Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17 Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Next Sunday:

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 (14c)/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In the backyard of the house where I live with other priests, there is a lemon tree which produces a huge amount of fruit. One evening in the spring I needed some lemons for a chicken dish. I glanced from the kitchen and saw the tree bursting with large, bright, gorgeous lemons, hanging thick on seemingly every branch. Turning to Fr. Bob (I'll change his name to protect the innocent) who sat on the couch, I said, "Father, could you pick a few lemons for me?" He said sure and into the backyard he went. He returned a few minutes later emptyhanded. "John, there's no lemons. Sorry." I said, "What are you talking about?" I looked again and saw the grapefruit tree on the other side of the yard, which had recently been picked clean of fruit. He didn't see the abundant fruit because he was looking in the wrong place!

Like Fr. Bob, we sadly don't see the fruit all around us. We think that the culture is spiraling down, young people avoid church, and the future looks bleak. Why go out into the world and work? The world looks like a fruitless tree.

Jesus doesn't see things that way. This week he tells us, "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few." Look again: there is spiritual fruit hanging all around us! The lonely ready to be visited. The sick ready to be healed. The forgotten ready to be remembered. The poor ready to be treated with dignity. The sad ready to be consoled. The young ready for the Gospel. So, let's ask the Lord to send laborers to get to work. And he will. He might send you and me. Just remember to look at the correct trees. — Father John Muir

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