

**Readings for the Weeks of  
December 24, 2006 and December 31, 2006**

**Saturday, December 23**

*Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25; Lk 1:57-66*  
5:00 p.m. Kit Winkler by Bill Winkler

**Sunday, Dec. 24 - 4th Sunday in Advent**

*Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45*  
8:00 a.m. Vincent Melton  
by The Melton Family  
10:00 a.m. For the People  
12:00 p.m. For Cristina Velazquez (d)  
by Yolanda Medina

**Sunday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve**

*Is 62:1-5; Ps 89; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25*  
5:30 p.m. Kyle Williams (d)  
by The Williams Family  
7:30 p.m. Chu Do (d)  
by Nguyet Pham

**Monday, Dec. 25 - Christmas Day**

*Is 9:1-6; Ps 96; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14*  
12:00 a.m. For the People  
*Is 52:7-10; Ps 98; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14*  
9:00 a.m. Glennie Boerner (d)  
by Rosemary McLauchlin

**Tuesday, December 26**

*Acts 6:8-10; Ps 31; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22*  
6:30 a.m. Fr. Paul Mollan (d)  
by Dan Kelley

**Wednesday, December 27**

*1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97; Jn 20:1a, 2-8*  
6:30 a.m. Fr. Paul Mollan (d)  
by Fr. Bill Ross

**Thursday, December 28**

*1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124; Mt 2:13-18*  
8:15 a.m. Oscar and Myrthe Schuets (d)  
by Owen & Betty Modeland

**Friday, December 29**

*1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96; Lk 2:22-35*  
6:30 a.m. Paul Clark (d)  
by Mike and Cathy Carr

**Saturday, December 30**

*1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96; Lk 2:36-40*  
5:00 p.m. For Frank Givens (d)  
by The Williams Family

**Sunday, Dec. 31 - Holy Family**

*Sir 3:2-7, 12-14 or 1 Sm 20-22, 24-28; Ps 128; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52*  
8:00 a.m. No Intentions  
10:00 a.m. For the People  
12:00 a.m. No Intentions  
5:30 p.m. For Ila Reardon (d)  
by Mike and Cathy Carr

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Vigil**

7:30 p.m. No Intention

**Monday, Jan. 1 - Solemnity of Mary**

*Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21*  
10:00 a.m. For Frank Givens (d)  
by Terry and Susan Givens

**Tuesday, January 2**

*1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98; Jn 1:19-28*  
6:30 a.m. No Mass Intentions

**Wednesday, January 3**

*1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98; Jn 1:29-34*  
6:30 a.m. For Dr. Bob McLauchlin (d)  
by Rosemary McLauchlin

**Thursday, January 4**

*1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98; Jn 1:35-42*  
8:15 a.m. For Bob Williams (d)  
by Matt and Pat Horn

**Friday, January 5**

*1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100; Jn 1:43-51*  
6:30 a.m. No Mass Intentions

**Saturday, January 6**

*1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 72; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38*  
5:00 p.m. For Bob Landers (d)  
by Matt and Pat Horn

**Sunday, Jan. 7 - Epiphany of the Lord**

*Is 60:1-6; Ps 29; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12*  
8:00 a.m. No Intention  
10:00 a.m. For the People  
12:00 p.m. Josie Alvarez (d)  
by Chris & Karen Bernardy  
5:30 p.m. No Intention

**Dear Friends in Christ,**

Deirdre Hite, Director of Communications, became the new editor of the bulletin with the Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> issue. The new format, which is easy on the eyes, is also grouped according to the 5 main areas of parish life. However, Deirdre will not be on our parish staff much longer because she was offered a promotion to be a "partner" at the firm where she has been working part-time. Deirdre's last day here will be January 5<sup>th</sup>. She has been a member of our Parish Staff for five years and will be greatly missed. Deirdre has been in charge of our monthly parish newsletter, our website, and just recently the bulletin.

Whenever New Year's Day falls on a Monday or a Saturday, it is not a holy day of obligation. However, there will still be Masses to celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God and to usher the New Year in with thanksgiving for all the blessings of 2006 and prayers for a blessed 2007. **Masses will be on Sunday night, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 p.m. and Monday morning, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 a.m.**

Christmas inspires a special spirit of generosity, and there are many opportunities for giving right here at our parish and parish school. Besides gifts to the regular collection, which can help us catch up on our budgeted income, you can also give to our school's tuition assistance appeal (*Friends of St. Eugene*) and help students receive the great gift of a Catholic education. Also, in your envelope packet for December is an envelope for the Seminarians/Vocation Fund. Currently 19 seminarians are studying at 5 different seminaries. Funds collected will be used to help pay tuition and other related expenses.

The founding pastor of our parish, Fr. Jim Ross, celebrated his 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a priest on Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>. Cards can be sent to him at: The Catholic Pastoral Center PO Box 32180 OKC, OK 73123-0380

Please read the insert from the New Church Design Committee and share your feedback. **The church office will be closed from noon on Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> through New Year's Day**, reopening on Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**In the peace of Christ,  
Fr. Joseph A. Jacobi**

**Mass Attendance 12/16-17/2006**

5:00 p.m. ....	201
8:00 a.m. ....	172
10:00 a.m. ....	388
12:00 p.m. ....	520
5:30 p.m. ....	251
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>1532</b>

**Summary of Contributions**

(07-01-06 to 06-30-07)

Goal for Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/07 is \$1, 456,000

Week Ending	12/17/06	Year to Date*
Parish Support	26,611	596,725
Bldg. for Millenium (Debt)	696	24,400
Children's Envelopes (34)	40	1,422
<b>TOTAL COLLECTED</b>	<b>27,347</b>	<b>622,547</b>
Financial Target	28,000	700,000
<b>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</b>	<b>(653)</b>	<b>(77,453)</b>
New Church Fund	435	25,071
School Scholarship	231	16,355
High School Scholarship	-	1,500
Immaculate Conception	146	2,177
Our Lady of Guadalupe	562	562
Christmas	6,200	6,540
Envelopes Used 288		

\*Includes adjustments for prior weeks

## WORSHIP

### *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

*Every Wednesday*

**6:30 a.m. Holy Mass**

**7:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

### *Evening Prayer and Benediction*

*8:30 p.m.*

In this Advent season of holy hope in the promises of God, you are especially invited to bring your family to Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Come and experience this ancient and beautiful blessing! All are invited - todos estan invitados!

### *Confessions*

*Saturday, December 30*

3:00-4:30 p.m.

*No Confessions or Anointing on Dec. 27*

### *Benedictine Spirituality Center*

*Christ's Presence Within*

*Saturday, Jan. 6, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.*

A retreat that will help you live in the present moment, the "Now." By meeting Christ within you, you will also learn how to deal with the daily obstacles you may encounter. Presenter: Sr. Melissa Anna Letts, OSB, at Red Plains Monastery. Fee: \$35. Non-refundable \$10 deposit. Bring a sack lunch. Call 373-4739 to register.

*Self-Healing Personality*

*Saturday, Feb. 3, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.*

Explore the attitudes and emotions of self-healers; share self-healing practices and examine the impact of old fears and emotional blocks that reduce our ability to heal. You will be better equipped to sustain well-being and a stronger immune system in order to live life to the fullest.

Fee: \$35. Non-refundable \$10 deposit. Bring a sack lunch. Call 373-4739 to register.

## FORMATION/EDUCATION

### *Religious Education*

No Religious Education Classes for Kindergarten through 8th Grade on Wednesday, December 20 and Wednesday, December 27 for Christmas Break. Classes resume on Wednesday, January 3.

No Special Sacramental Preparation Classes on Sunday, December 24 or Sunday, December 31 for Christmas Break. Classes resume on Sunday, January 7.

### *Apologetics/Scripture Study*

*"How to Explain and Defend the Real Presence"*

The next Apologetics class will meet on Wednesday, January 3 at 7:00 p.m. *Everyone is welcome!* For more information, contact Rick and LeAnn Hufnagel, 752-5297.

### *Keep Holy the Lord's Day*

All Catholics are invited to register for the 45th Southwest Liturgical Conference, January 17-20 at the Cox Convention Center. National speakers - Rev. Michael Joncas, Mr. Bill Huebsch, Mrs. Pat Kerwin, Rev. Paul Holmes and Msgr. Kevin Irwin - will help us explore the meaning of Sunday as "The Day of the Lord." For more information, call 721-5651, x-158 or visit [www.SWLC.org](http://www.SWLC.org).

### *Oklahoma Catholic Women's Conference 2007*

*"Clothed with Strength and Dignity:  
Becoming a worthy woman of God."*

Calling all women! The first Oklahoma Catholic Women's Conference is scheduled for Saturday, January 27, at St. Monica Catholic Church in Edmond.

Conference brochures are available in the vestibule, online information is available at [OCWConference.com](http://OCWConference.com), or call Sharmin Romero, Chairman, 330-8733.

### *Baptism Classes*

Classes are offered on the second Monday of each month, 6:30-7:30 p.m. All parents and Godparents should attend a class. Please call Jerry and Carol Anne Rakosky, 341-2805 to register.

## OUTREACH

### *St. Vincent de Paul*

Through the generosity of our parishioners, we have been able to provide food, water, heat and light to many needy families. Thank you and Merry Christmas from the members of the St. Eugene St. Vincent de Paul Conference

### *Are You a Registered Member?*

Whether you are a newcomer or an "old timer" we are here to register you the FIRST weekend of EVERY month, after EVERY Mass, in the gathering area. Please stop by! For more information, contact: Cathy Carr, 623-7108; Jessica Zinken, 812-5701; or, Malena Randolph, 255-3950.

### *Prayer Network*

Please pray for those who are sick or in the hospital: Edward Hall (brother of Rose Countryman), Nellie Bozalis (friend of Martha Jo Steffan), Sarah Bynum (friend of Martha Jo Steffan), Marilyn Young (sister of Maureen Brown and Greg Brown), Fred Fanson, Steve Smith, Diego Gonzalez, Bob McBride (brother-in-law of Carol Ann Combs), Ethel Riggs, Lori Martin (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Countryman), Kristina Macias, Bill Steffen, Wanda Boyd, Rose Countryman, Alberto Jimenez, Genevieve Winkenbach, Brittany Stevens (granddaughter of Phil and Sharon Clark), Dewey Portwood, Turner Swink, Javier Guzman, Jeanette Gilmore, Betsy Fleet, Corina Daniel, Marjorie VeerKamp, Laura Davidoff, Manuel Man, Tom Fox, John Chyz, Pat Reynolds, Alan Giroux, Bob Gilmore, Keith Anneler, Donna Bay, Beverly Reeve, John Connors, Steve McKenzie, Mary Agnes Coody, Carol Knox, Robert Mabe, Beverly Kowalski, Ruth Schmitz, Josie Vasquez, Ray Ackerman, Lou Ackerman, Duane Descher, Stephen Fleet, Maureen Rooks and Joe Rooks.

### *Please Pray for Our Military*

Prayer requests can be made for US Military personnel deployed and stationed in Iraq or overseas. Please call the Parish Office to add their names to our prayer list below.

L/CPL Sam Allen	USMC	Okinawa
Capt. Jesse Ballenger	Army	Iraq
Christopher Buck		Afghanistan
Dan Bryant	Army	Africa
Joshua Countryman	USMC	Iraq
John Graves	Army	Iraq
Chris Guyer	Army	Iraq
Maj. Edward G. Keller	Army	Iraq
Matthew Spaid	USMC	California
Capt. Dr. Gaberiel Cuka	Army	Iraq

## COMMUNITY LIFE

### *Altar Society News*

#### *St. Jane Frances de Chantal Guild*

The Altar Society would like to introduce our new Guild - St. Jane Frances de Chantal. Katy Spaid is the Chairman - Commission is Family. You may reach Katy at 463-0486 for more information. Plans to start in January.

#### *St. Patricia's Guild*

St. Patricia's Guild will meet Thursday, January 4, 9:30 a.m., at the home of Suzanne Schmidt, 18104 Providence Avenue, Edmond, 73003. We will hear a presentation from Supper Thyme. Please bring a breakfast item to share. For babysitting reservations, call Dee Schmidt, 752-1872. For questions, call Becky Schwarz, 722-2637.

#### *Love to Sew?*

The Altar Society is interested in starting a new sewing guild. I had one woman call to say she would like to help but can only sew a straight line. Well that's just the kind of help we are looking for! Do not be afraid. We have had 10 women join so far, enough to form a Guild. We will attempt to start late January. Thanks to all who have called in, and for those of you who are unsure, just take the first step and God will guide you. Please contact Patti Keeley, 496-1835.

### *Seniors*

Merry Christmas to all! If you're "60", join our great group! Call Ellen and Al Knebel, 751-7162, for more information.

### *St. Eugene Catholic Single Adult Group*

Saturday Christmas lights tour 843-6405

December 23 After the 5:00 PM Mass

Tuesday Church of the Servant 721-4141

December 26 14343 North Macarthur  
6:30 p.m.

Potluck and game nite.

Bring food and a favorite board game.

Friday Social Hour at 6:00 PM

December 29 Fazoli's Restaurant 720-1343

Saturday Movie & A Meal - North Park Mall

December 30 11:30 AM

We will eat lunch at City Bites & go to the Dollar Movie

Sunday Al Frejo's New Year's Eve Dance

December 31 Harpe's Dance Club

420 North Rockwell 787-6230

8:30 PM-12:30 a.m.

\$12 at the door; \$10 in advance

# ADMINISTRATION

## *Bulletin Announcements*

Please have all Bulletin Announcements in the Parish Office in writing by Friday at Noon to appear in the next weeks bulletin. If they are not in by the deadline, your announcement will not be included in the following week's bulletin. Please e-mail any announcements to Deirdre Hite, dhite@steugenes.org, or leave them in the church office.

## *The Friends of St. Eugene*

Tis the season for gift giving. Give the gift that will last a lifetime....a donation to The Friends of St. Eugene tuition assistance annual campaign. Envelopes are available in the church vestibule. If you have any questions, please call David Pierce, 844-1723.

## *Church Office Closed*

Please remember that the Church Office will close at 12:00 noon on Friday, December 22. The office will remain closed the following week between Christmas and New Year's. The office will reopen on January 2.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## *Do you regularly use the St. Eugene Facilities?*

If you have meetings or events planned for the "2007" calendar year. Please resubmit your Room Request to Maureen Brown in the Parish Office. We are updating the calendar and need to make sure we have the correct times of your events as well as the contact person for your group. Your help with this effort is greatly appreciated. The Room Request Forms are available in the Church Office or you may call Maureen Brown (751-7115 ext.137) to set an appointment time. We look forward to booking events for your groups in "2007".

### **Saturday, December 23**

10:00 a.m. Boy Scouts - Art Room  
 5:00 p.m. Mass - Church  
 5:30 p.m. Athletic Commission - Fellowship Hall  
 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Council - Chapel

### **Sunday, December 24**

8:00 a.m. Mass - Church  
 10:00 a.m. Mass - Church  
 11:00 a.m. Coffee/Donuts - FH  
 11:30 a.m. Adult Ed Class - MR 2  
 12:00 p.m. Spanish Mass - Church  
 1:00 p.m. Pan y Cafe - FH  
 5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass - Church  
 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass - Church  
 11:30 p.m. Caroling/Mid-night Mass - Church

### **Monday, December 25**

9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass - Church  
 8:00 a.m. Church Office Closed

### **Tuesday, December 26**

6:30 a.m. Mass - Chapel  
 8:00 a.m. Church Office Closed

### **Wednesday, December 27**

6:30 a.m. Mass - Chapel  
 7:00 a.m. Adoration - Chapel  
 8:30 p.m. Benediction

### **Thursday, December 28**

8:15 a.m. Mass - Chapel

### **Friday, December 29**

6:30 a.m. Mass - Chapel

### **Saturday, December 30**

5:00 p.m. Mass - Chapel

### **Sunday, December 31**

8:00 a.m. Mass - Church  
 10:00 a.m. Mass - Church  
 11:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts - FH  
 12:00 p.m. Mass - Church  
 1:00 p.m. Pan y Cafe - FH  
 5:30 p.m. Mass - Church  
 7:30 p.m. Solemnity of Mary Vigil  
 Mass - Church

### **Monday, January 1**

10:00 a.m. Mass - Church

### **Tuesday, January 2**

6:30 a.m. Mass - Chapel  
 3:00 p.m. Academic Team - Art Gallery  
 4:30 p.m. Girl Scouts - Art Gallery  
 5:30 p.m. Choir - Church  
 5:30 p.m. Basketball - FH  
 6:30 p.m. PTO - School CR  
 7:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul - MR1

### **Wednesday, January 3**

6:30 a.m. Mass - Chapel  
 10:00 a.m. Homebound Eucharistic Ministers - MR 1  
 3:00 p.m. Band - Art Gallery  
 6:30 p.m. RE - Church/School  
 7:00 p.m. Apologetics - MR 1  
 7:00 p.m. Choir - Church

### **Thursday, January 4**

7:15 a.m. Band - Art Gallery  
 8:15 a.m. Mass - Church  
 3:00 p.m. 5th Grade - School CR  
 5:30 p.m. Basketball - FH  
 6:00 p.m. English 2nd Lang - School  
 6:30 p.m. Stewardship - School CR  
 7:00 p.m. St. Teresa Guild - MR 2/3

### **Friday, January 5**

6:30 a.m. Mass - Chapel  
 11:30 a.m. Seniors - MR 1  
 3:15 p.m. Brownies - Art Gallery

### **Saturday, January 6**

9:00 a.m. Basketball Games - FH  
 10:00 a.m. Boy Scouts - Art Room

### **Sunday, January 7**

8:00 a.m. Mass - Church  
 10:00 a.m. Mass - Church  
 10:30 a.m. RCIA - MR 1 and MR 3  
 11:00 a.m. Coffee and Donuts - FH  
 11:30 a.m. Adult Ed - MR 2  
 12:00 p.m. Mass - Church  
 1:00 p.m. Pan y Cafe - FH  
 3:00 p.m. Brownies - Art Room  
 4:30 p.m. RE - School CR  
 5:30 p.m. Mass - Church

***If your calendar item did not appear on this calendar - please contact Maureen Brown, 751-7115, x137 or mbrown@steugenes.org.***

## ESPAÑOL

### *Renuévate en el Señor*

Cuando Dios tomó la decisión de enviar a su amado hijo al mundo lo hizo con el propósito de tener una relación más íntima con el ser humano. Quiso darnos a conocer Su Amor infinito, a través de su hijo y así a través del hijo ser salvados del pecado; y más aún a través de nuestro bautismo nos hace hijos del Todo Poderoso, y nos da al Espíritu Santo para ser guiados por El y así llevar una vida más plena.

Para muchos todo esto ya es conocido pero la realidad es que no vivimos como cristianos asistimos a la santa Misa por cumplimiento es decir cumplo = con el mandamiento de la Iglesia, y miento = porque no lo hago de corazón, de hecho a veces asistir a la Misa es aburrido.

Si tú eres una persona que ha invitado a que Dios nazca en tu corazón esta Navidad y deseas conocerle más, estás invitado al **Curso de Renovación en el Espíritu Santo** que se le dará comienzo este enero 11 del 2007. Dirigido por el Padre Roberto Carrillo del Sagrado Corazón. **Ven a participar de 13 Semanas de gozo y paz. Qué mejor manera de comenzar el año que entregándonos a Dios.**

### *¡Gracias!*

GRACIAS a todas las personas que han hecho posible que la tradición de las posadas no se pierda, asistiendo a éstas y trayendo a sus hijos. Es un modo de seguir con nuestra tradición y poderlas compartir con los demás. Gracias, también a todas las personas que ofrecieron patrocinar las posadas. ¡Qué Dios les bendiga!

### *Hoy Nació*

Hoy nos llenamos de regocijo, pues Dios se hizo como nosotros; vino como un frágil bebé para que podamos participar de la vida de Dios, Dios nos saluda como 'si fuéramos iguales' para que así, nosotros podamos contestar como María: 'Sí.' Este es un don misterioso. Si lo aceptamos podremos ser 'hijos de Dios', miembros de la familia divina llenos de gracia como María. En los sacramentos del Bautismo y la Confirmación, nosotros naceremos de nuevo, y en la Eucaristía recibimos el alimento para crecer dentro de la familia de Dios. Cuando hayamos crecido El vendrá de nuevo. ¿Estás listo para recibirlo ?

### *Catecismo*

Las clases de catecismo se iniciarán nuevamente el miércoles 3 de enero. Padres, recuerden que la hermana Carmen también está compartiendo de la Palabra de Dios para todos los papás. Qué hermoso regalo padres e hijos conociendo más de Dios!

### *Adoremos al Rey de Israel*

Dios es tan maravilloso que no sólo quiso nacer y morir por nosotros sino, también quiso quedarse. Ven a visitarlo este miércoles 3 de enero y déjate llenar de Su Gracia. A partir de las 7:00pm comenzaremos con oración a Jesús Sacramentado.

### *Fiesta de Reyes*

El grupo de mujeres estará ofreciendo una fiesta para los niños este domingo 7 de enero después de la Misa.