# A Cut FOR THE LORD



Good Shepherd R.C. Church

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Saturday, February 12, 2022

**5:00 PM** Geraldine Taliercio

Sunday, February 13, 2022

9:00 AM Marilyn Oates10:30 AM Paul Lampson

**12 Noon** Kathleen & William Hayes

Daily Mass February 14 - 18 @ 8:30 AM

Monday Andrew Sudylo

Tuesday Stanley Topolenski

Wednesday James J. Garrigan, Jr.

Thursday Timothy Dowling

**Friday** People of the Parish

Saturday, February 19, 2022

**5:00 PM** Celeste Taliercio

Sunday, February 20, 2022

9:00 AM Kathleen Marshall

**10:30 AM** Alice Miller

**12 Noon** Richard Magnone, Sr.



#### PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers,

🕆 Vincent J. Andreski 🕆

† James R. Wilkens, Jr. †

Who entered into eternal rest. May their souls eternally Rest in Peace.



#### **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

Meets 2nd Saturday of each month.

Mar 12 • Apr 9 • May 14 @ 10:00 AM

#### **BAPTISM SPONSOR REQUIREMENTS:**

At least one Godparent must be fully initiated in the Catholic Church and must provide a letter from his/her pastor, indicating that he/she is a registered member and has received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). Godparents are to be at least 16 years of age and cannot be the father or mother of the one to be baptized.

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8

The prophet contracts the life of the wicked with the life of the righteous.



#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

St. Paul stresses the reality of Jesus' bodily resurrection, and the meaning of that resurrection for Christians.

Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26

We hear Luke's version of the Beatitudes.

#### Scripture Reflection with Fr. Tim + Pause + Reflect + Act +

- Jeremiah uses the analogy of a tree with strong roots planted near water to describe those who trust the Lord. How is such a tree similar to one who trusts God?
- 2. What does the hope of resurrection mean to you? How does this hope influence your actions and attitudes daily?
- 3. Are there ways in which hard times and trials have made you a stronger person?
- 4. How do these teachings challenge you to look at life differently, especially in ways you might measure success?

#### COLLECTION BREAKDOWN 2/1/22 - 2/7/22:

Many thanks to all of our parishioners who make their weekly offering a part of their budget. Your generous gift is truly making a difference to our parish.

Online Giving	IN- PERSON & MAIL	ONLINE	TOTAL
1st Collection	\$ 5,893	\$ 3,430	\$ 9,323
2nd Collection Maintenance	\$ 1,796	\$ 509	\$ 2,305

PRIEST'S MASS SCHEDULE						
FEB/MAR	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 PM		
2/12 - 2/13	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. Przemek		
2/19 - 2/20	Fr. Tim	Fr. Ed	Fr. Tim	Fr. Ed		
2/26 - 2/27	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. John		
3/5 - 3/6	Fr. Tim	Fr. John	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim		

#### **WORLD MARRIAGE DAY**

Sunday, February 14, 2022

On this **World Marriage Day**, we thank our heavenly Father for the gift and blessing of marriage and the family. As we strive to live our particular vocations and respond to the Lord's grace in our lives, let's also consider how we might dedicate renewed



prayer and attention to marriage and the family.

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#### A Prayer for Married Couples

Almighty and eternal God,
You blessed the union of married couples
so that they might reflect the union of Christ
with his Church; look with kindness on them.
Renew their marriage covenant,
increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond
of peace so that, with their children,
they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thank You to Meg Kaltnecker

For donating the beautiful floral arrangements for the altar last weekend.

Altar Flower In Memory of Skip Scharff

#### **LENT IS COMING!**

Join our faith community, and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States, in a transformative Lenten



journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the atrium this weekend. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by this injustice. Visit **crsricebowl.org** to learn more.

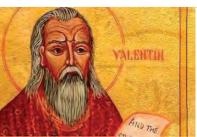


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The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 21st for President's Day. Enjoy the weekend!





#### SAINT VALENTINE Monday February 14, 2022

It is believed that Valentine was a bishop who secretly married Christian couples against

a direct order from the emperor who had outlawed marriage. He believed that married soldiers would not fight as well as unmarried soldiers. In the midst of being arrested for these actions, he befriended his jailor and the jailor's daughter, Julia. Also known for his healing abilities and knowledge of natural medicine, the jailor implored Valentine to heal Julia's blindness.

Through written correspondence and educational lessons, the relationship between these three grew in friendship and in prayer. Jailed again, Valentine had no hope to avoid execution. In a final act of love and friendship, Valentine wrote Julia a letter, signing it, "Your valentine." When she opened the letter, out fell a crocus flower, and from this flower divine colors filled Julia's eyes and she realized her sight had been fully restored. In Medieval times, a common belief was that birds began to pair on February 14th (the day of Valentine's death). Because of this, February 14th was a day dedicated to lovers and it was encouraged to send letters, gifts, and other signs of affection much like we do to this day.

Many years later, the Pope reordered this celebration to honor true love in marriage, placing it under the shared name of these heroic saints - Valentine. During this crazy time in the world, God is calling us to return to what is of him - prayer, time with our spouses, our kids, our families and friends - service to our parish and communities.

And, he is calling us to lean into our faith.

St. Valentine, pray for us!

#### **ASK A FRANCISCAN**

Giving a Saint's Name at Baptism ~ Is this required? Some Christians have first names that are not those of a saint or a variant on a saint's name.

This is customary but not required. Some Christians are named for virtues - for example, faith, hope, or charity.

The rule here is that a first name should not be contrary to the Christian faith. Thus, for example, it would be inappropriate to baptize someone with the name Satan, adultery, murder, or something similar.

A saint's name is no guarantee about how a person's life will unfold, but it re-affirms actions and values that are important and trustworthy.

#### FAITH FORMATION NOTES



Gospel Reading

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus teaches the crowd the way to happiness.

Family Connection

Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the "get ahead" messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, and having many possessions. In this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. They too associated happiness with possessions and success. The report of the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel, however, takes things one step further. Not only will we not find happiness through the "get ahead" messages of the world, but relying upon these messages will cause us harm. The warnings spoken are particularly challenging because they suggest that our way of life must change if we are to gain the lasting happiness of eternal life. Talk together as a family about what society tells us makes a person successful. Make a list of the traits that you associate with a successful person. Then read together today's Gospel, Luke 6:17,20-26. Reflect on Jesus' description of blessedness in the Kingdom of God. Then consider the warnings. Why are these surprising and challenging? What, then, is the measure of success in the Kingdom of God? Together write prayers of petition based on your discussion. Pray these prayers together, asking God to help your family seek the blessings of the Kingdom of God. (Loyola Press)

Something to think about: Reflect together on the Gospel Readings as a family:

- The people in the crowd were probably surprised when they heard Jesus' teaching. He said that thinking only about ourselves and having lots of things wouldn't make us truly happy. We are blessed and happy when we rely on God, who always loves us and never changes. We are blessed and happy when we make good choices and think of others, living as Jesus teaches us to live.
- Jesus teaches us to share, to be patient, and to show concern for others. These actions bring us true happiness and help us share Jesus' peace. How might you share Jesus' peace when you're playing with other children?

## Faith Formation Program Reminders

#### Classes

- ◆ February 13 & 15—In-Person Classes Grades 1-8
- February 20 & 22 At Home Session Grades 1-8
- ♦ February 27 & March 1—At Home Session Grades 1-8
- ♦ March 13 & 15—In-Person Classes Grades 1-8
- March 14 or 21st—Faith Formation Lenten Reconciliation Grades 2-9—7pm
- March 20 & 22— At Home Session Grades 1-8
- ♦ March 27 & 29—In-Person Classes Grades 1-8

#### Upcoming Class Masses

- February 27—Grade 2—Mrs. Celli's Class—10:30 am Mass
- March 6—Grade 2—Mrs. Foy's Class—9 am Mass
- March 13—Grade 5—Mrs. Boyle's Class—12noon Mass
- March 27—Grade 1—Ms. Manning's Class—10:30am Mass

#### Other Important Dates

March 2—Ash Wednesday

#### First Communicants

- April 5—First Communion Retreat—
   7pm Communicants must attend with
   1 parent or guardian
- April 25-28— Rehearsal—5pm— Communicants must attend
- April 30—First Communion—10:30am
- May 1—Crowning of The Blessed Mother—10:30am Mass

#### Confirmation Candidates

- March 6 & 20 —In-Person Class
- March 25 & 26—10th Grade Retreat
- April 3—In-Person Class
- April 4—10th Grade Exit Interview 6pm—Watch for Sign-up Email
- April 30—10th Grade Confirmation Practice—5pm
- May 1—Confirmation 12:00 Mass



"Welcome Home" is a diocesan initiative to invite all Catholics to experience the grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). The sacrament is a wonderful opportunity to encounter God's healing and to draw closer to the Lord.

- Confessions will be held Mondays: March 7 April 4
- ◆ 7:00 pm 8:30 pm in every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Paterson.
- ◆ Don't be afraid! Information will be provided. Ask the priest to help you. Experience the gracious mercy of God! www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org

#### **2021 GIVING STATEMENTS**

Have been mailed out to anyone who donated to Good Shepherd Church.
Please contact Barb Cornwell @ (973) 786-6631 with any questions. Thank you.

#### WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE:



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Need information to be printed in our bulletin? Be sure to submit to the parish office by Tuesday at 12 noon each week. If you have any questions, please call Mary McGuinness at (973) 786-6631 or email: office@goodshepherdrc.org.

## Ministry Schedule Please remember to sign in.

Date	Time	(P) Lectors	Altar Servers	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
Saturday 2/19	5:00 PM	Rick Toma	Madeline Ridge Addyson Ortiz	Jim Capobianco Christine McCormick
Sunday 2/20	9:00 AM	Pat Reardon	Connor Kovach Sophia Vitez	Alice Giliberti Eunice Howley John Costello
	10:30 AM	Ed Denmead	Hayden Denmead Katelyn McNamee	Robert Gallagher Salvatore LoIacono
	12 NOON	Bob Harclerode	Alexa Quail Aden Nguyen	Irene Finnan Melodie Novak Pat Holdt

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