

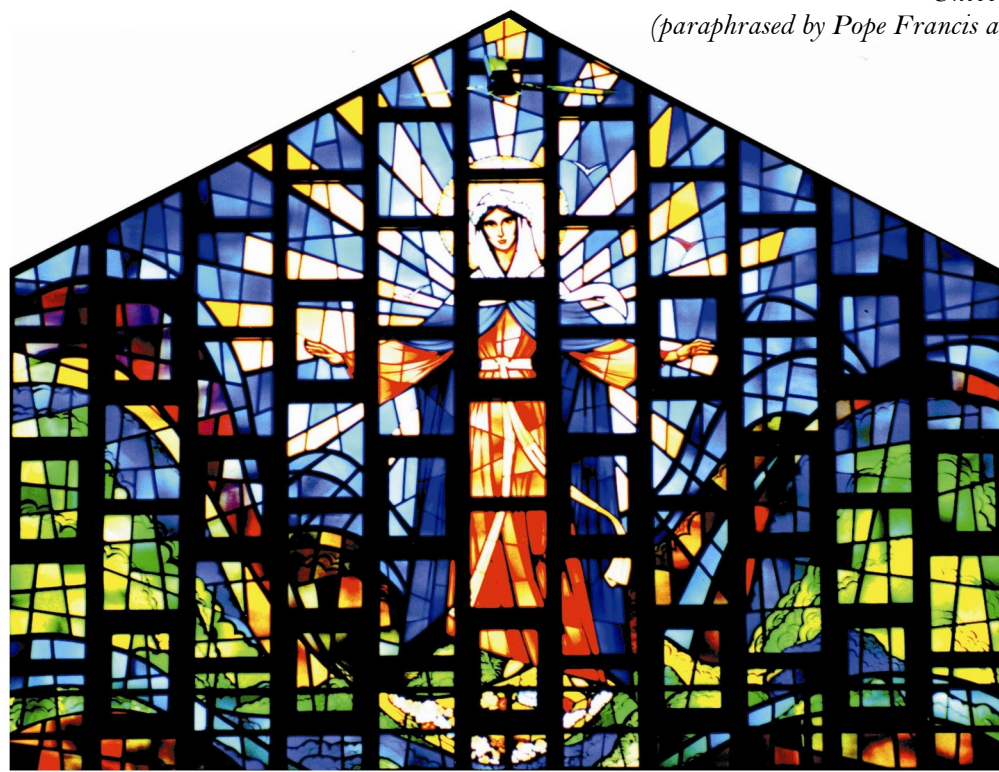
Our Lady of the Valley Church

630 Valley Road - Wayne - New Jersey - 07470 - www.olvwayne.org

973-694-4585

**“The Church is Holy, not just because all are welcome.
The Church is Holy, because all belong.”**

*Timothy M. Matovina
University of Notre Dame
(paraphrased by Pope Francis at General Audience)*



July 23, 2017

Schedule of Masses **Weekdays**

Monday - Saturday 7:30am

Weekends

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am
and 12:00 Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 4:00-4:30pm

**Sacraments of Baptism,
Marriage & Personal
Appointments**

Please call the Parish Office

Our Parish is Served By

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TRUSTEES OF THE PARISH

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Weekend Collection

Weekend Collection: July 16, 2017

Attendance:	802
Weekend Collection:	\$6,747.50
Candles/Poor:	\$284.75
Parish Pay:	\$2,461.20
Total:	\$9,493.45



Thank you for your continued generosity!

Presider Schedule

Weekend of July 29—30:

Our Lady of the Valley

5:00pm	Father Peter
8:00am	Father Wells
10:00am	Father Peter
12:00 Noon	Father Peter

Holy Cross

5:00pm	Father Wells
10:00am	Father Wells

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 23	8:00am	Peter Coviello Marie Gilbert
	10:00am	Mary Danza Joseph Daleo George Hundt Sr. Elinor Lees Marek Jakub Pluta
	12:00pm	Rosa Antonucci Cira Staropoli
Monday, July 24	7:30am	Joey Garcia
Tuesday, July 25	7:30am	William 'Ed' Gilson Angelo Giordano (<i>Special Intention</i>)
<i>Miraculous Medal Novena to follow Mass on Tuesday</i>		
Wednesday, July 26	7:30am	For the People
Thursday, July 27	7:30am	For the People
Friday, July 28	7:30am	James Murray
Saturday, July 29	5:00pm	Bill Marrinan Graziano Premus Patrick Sharkey Dorothy Voorman-Fish
Sunday, July 30	8:00am	George Bondarenko Kevin Nacklicki Juana Odiaga
	10:00am	Joseph Daleo Nancy DeLuca George Hundt Sr. Marek Jakub Pluta
	12:00pm	Magda Chahua Donald Porrino



Social Ministry Corner

Do you have a family member or friend who is gay or lesbian? Would you like to have a better understanding on the church's teachings on this? Would you like resources to learn more about this topic? If you've answered "yes" to any of these questions, or have additional questions about the LGBT community and the Catholic Church, you are invited to call Deacon Vince at 862-264-2134, or feel free to speak with him directly after Mass. All calls/inquiries will be strictly confidential.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — July 23, 2017

Weekly Remembrance

This week the Sanctuary Lamp, which burns near the tabernacle and as a reminder of the Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament and

The bread and wine offered at the Altar, which become the Body and Blood of Christ are given in memory of:

Vincent Petracelli

from Michael Corbo.

Summer Time Reminders

Weekday Mass Schedule

Beginning, Saturday, July 1, and extending through Labor Day, September 4, the Eucharist will be celebrated Monday through Friday at 7:30am here at Our Lady of the Valley. There will be no Saturday morning Mass during these weeks.

Parish Center Office Hours

The Parish Center will be closed on Fridays through Labor Day, September 4. The Parish Center will be open Monday through Thursday 9:00am—5:00pm. The offices are closed for lunch from 12:00 Noon to 1:00pm.

Moving?

The summer weeks many times are when families and individuals move to a new location and home. If that will happen to you this summer, please contact the Parish Center so that we may update the census. If you are moving, but remaining a parishioner, please let us know the new address. If you are moving and will no longer be a parishioner here, we are sorry to see you go and we wish you well in your new home, but please contact the Parish Center so that we can remove you from the census.

Faith Formation News

PARENTS OF INCOMING FIRST GRADE STUDENTS

If your child will be entering first grade in September 2017, we invite you to contact Judi at the Faith Formation Office so that you may register for our upcoming classes beginning in September. All registrations are done in person so please call our office at 973.694.4585 extension 7208 to make an appointment.

Parish's Sacramental & Prayer Life

Jesus said: "from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother And be joined to his wife. And the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."

(Mark 10:6-9)

We congratulate those who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage last weekend in our Church:

Austin Holman & Laurie Ann Schlachter

"Is anyone among you suffering? They should pray...Is anyone among you sick? They should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord."

(James 5:13,14)

Pray for the Sick:

*Joseph Brucato Jr., Carol Brugaletta,
Father Michael Burke, Louis Caprio,
Ralph Cicetti, Kathy Corrao, Robert Darpino,
Carole DeSimone, Flo Felano,
Josephine Ganz, Marie Liffers,
Margaret Link, Mary Maksuta,
Gloria Minnocci, Ronald Panicucci,
Michael Renaldo, Kristen Sedlacik,
Paul Tafuri, Michael Waldinger*

*Indeed for your faithful, Lord,
Life is changed not ended,
And when this earthly dwelling turns to dust,
An eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven.*

Pray for the Dead:

Rose Nancy DeJoy

Irene F. O'Donnell

Robert Henry Brockmann Jr.

Ernest Gilbert Wheeler Jr.

Lillian Figlar

*Arcancelo Narciso
(Brother of Pat Rubbo)*

Parish Pay—We Share

Dear Parishioners,

I am writing first to thank you for your participation in our parish's online giving program. Your generous giving is appreciated by so many and helps our church thrive and reflect the Kingdom of God in our community.

To help us maintain and grow this mission, our parish is in the process of transitioning to a new online giving tool—We Share. We Share makes it easier than ever for you to manage your online contributions and will save our church time and money.

To make this transition as seamless as possible and to ensure our records are up-to-date, we need a few minutes of your help.

Please visit our parish website, click the ParishPay link, and log into your online giving account. Review your contact information, address, payment method, and current giving for accuracy. Make any necessary changes and that's it.

If you run into any issues accessing your account, please contact Customer Service at 1-800-950-9952, Option 1.

Thank you again for your help and for your commitment to our parish. We appreciate everything that you do for our community.

In Christ,
Rev. Peter VB. Wells

Ask not what your Parish can do for you.....

The 'work' of this Parish is richly enhanced by the amazing, and dedicated teams of volunteers who serve in various capacities, in various ministries.

If you are looking for a way to give back ,or give, to your Parish we are looking to increase our numbers in the following ministries:

Cleaning Ministry



Funeral Ministry

Eucharistic Ministers

Weekly Collection Counters

Ushers

If you are interested in giving of your time and talents in any of these essential ministries please contact the Parish Center at 973 694 4585 ext. 7200 for more details.

Marian Pilgrimage

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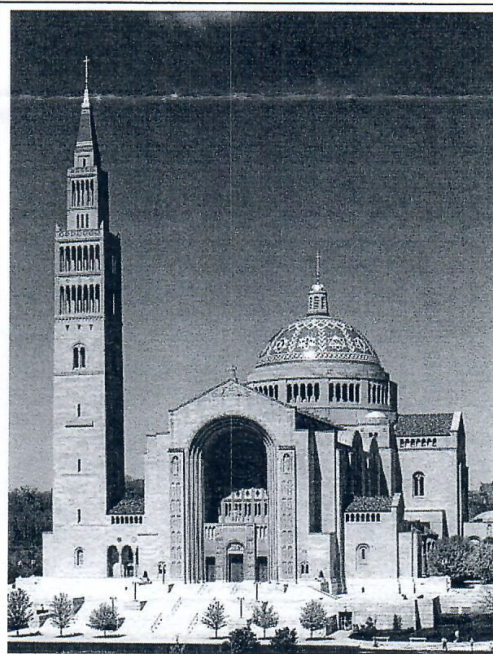
The Basilica of the
National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

October 21, 2017

The Spiritual Journey includes:

- Holy Mass – Bishop Serratelli
- Confessions in Crypt Church
- Catechetical Presentations
- Rosary (multi-lingual)
- Devotional Time
- Divine Mercy
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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Join as one Diocese  
in our  
Nation's Basilica  
in Washington, DC



### One-Day Pilgrimage includes -

\$49/person

- Transportation and Gratuity
- All day activities at Shrine
- Rest Stop - going ~ Meal Stop – return
- Depart Washington 4:15pm

*For more Information  
Contact the Parish Center*

### Overnight Option –

Depart Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

- Friday- visit the Shrine of St. Jude and the Baltimore Basilica (America's First Cathedral)
- Includes Tours and Daily Mass
- Accommodations at Westin Hotel, Falls Church, VA
- Banquet
- Saturday- Breakfast
- Transportation and Gratuity

\$259 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY - \$335 SINGLE OCCUPANCY

PLEASE CALL PILGRIMAGE OFFICE  
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER

Diocesan Pilgrimage Office ~ Fr. Michael A. Rodak ~ Director ~ 973 728-8162  
1911 Union Valley Road ~ Hewitt, NJ 07421

## Spiritual Reflection

### Weeding

In this week's Gospel story, the servants ask whether they should pull out weeds that have been woven in with the wheat.

"No," the Master says. "If you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest" (Gospel).

This parable says a lot.

God steadily forgives our weeds and lets us grow without uprooting us. It is not that he wants to encourage wildflowers, and it would be better if they were not there, but he loves everything about us and wants us preserved even in the midst of weeds.

This is a radical idea. You and I think we have to be sinless in order to be loved. If not we will be punished instead of forgiven.

Entire ancient cultures based themselves on this principle of non-love and non-forgiveness for those who sin. If someone harms me or my family, then I have the right and duty to annihilate them since they are bad persons, no good, and punishment is never too severe.

The same goes for the heroes in adventure movies. They fight, he-man to he-man, somersaulting across skyscraper tops, delivering bare-knuckle blows to the face, spinning out kicks to the head, wielding secret weapons and tricks. Finally the bad guy plummets over an awful edge of the building, and entertains us with magnificent slow-motion shots of his terror as he heads for the inevitable splash. Everyone is relieved and happy.

Except, of course, the bad guy. And maybe the good guy too, since there remains a thing called conscience, and brutality of such scope well might interrupt his sleep that night.

Just for an exercise, pretend that you are the villain in such a scene. Is there a reason you are committing crimes that merit such punishment? Is it possible that one part of you is going haywire but that there is also much good in you, much that could be brought back to life? Maybe deep down you have a voice whispering, "I wish I could stop this ugliness and be a good person"?

If this is so, then you have stumbled upon the point of Sunday's Gospel. The crimes you commit don't really agree with your real, God-given self. They are bad things, just like the weeds growing up in the garden. But they are only a portion of who you are. Your urge to impress others falsely, to get what you want no matter what, to be lazy, petulant, even to steal, or ... (please fill in your kind of sin), these are never the full description of who you are.

God does not rip out the weeds in other people or in ourselves. Mixed with all the crab grass, there is the handsome green that God loves so much.

How about showing kindness to the mean voices within you that urge you to do wrong? They are misguided, for sure, but maybe they will settle down if you just love them as you would a naughty child. Love them into goodness.

Can you imagine Jesus saying from the cross, "Father, damn them to Hell forever because of what they are doing to me"? That would be a major case of tearing out the wheat as well as the weeds. He leaves the latter and says, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."

Forgive the weeds.

John Foley, SJ