

Our Lady of the Valley Church

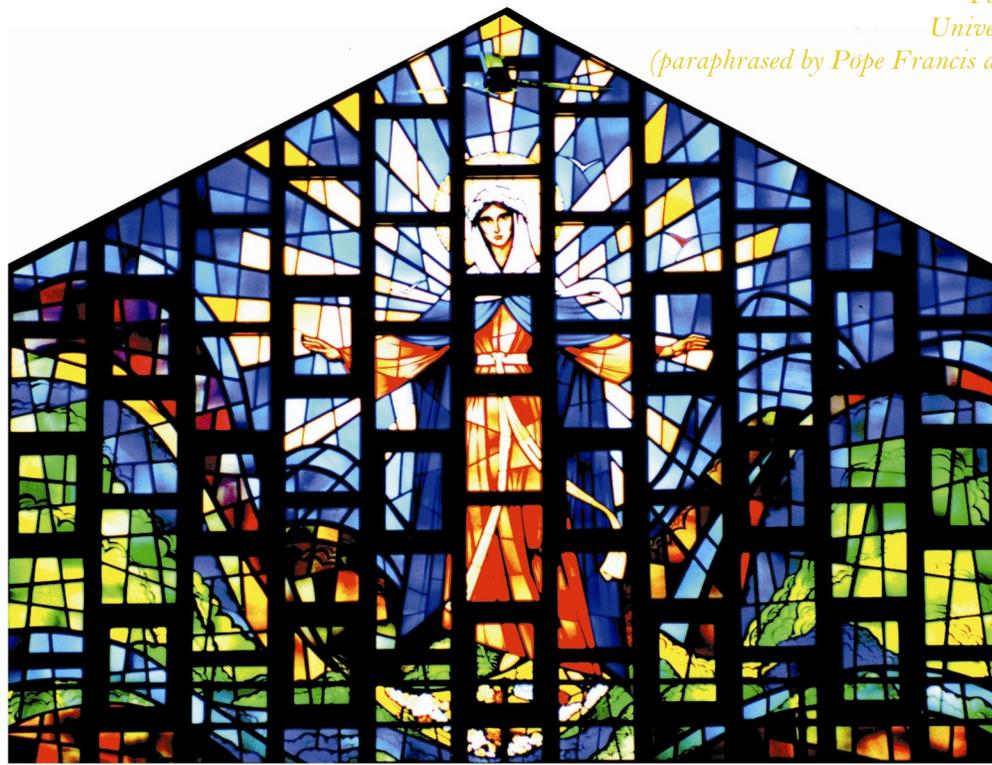
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“The Church is Holy, not just because all are welcome.
The Church is Holy, because all belong.”

*Timothy M. Matovina
University of Notre Dame*

(paraphrased by Pope Francis at General Audience)



Schedule of Masses

Weekdays

Monday - Saturday 7:30 a.m.

Weekends

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
and 12:00 Noon

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage & Personal Appointments

Please call the Parish Office

Remember Our Lady of the Valley Church in Your Will

OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY

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PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Weekend of May 4 - 5:

Our Lady of the Valley

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

Holy Cross

5:00pm Father Duberney
10:00am Father Duberney

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 29 7:30am For the People
Tuesday, April 30 7:30am Nicole Luongo
(Special Intention)
Miraculous Medal Novena to follow Mass on Tuesday
Wednesday, May 1 7:30am For the People
Thursday, May 2 7:30am Colleen Monahan
Kevin Rovere
Friday, May 3 7:30am For the People
Saturday, May 4 7:30am Paul Liskay
5:00pm Jean Cerv
Mary Catherine Faline
Lucille Martelli
Kathleen VanSteyn Sternick
Sunday, May 5 8:00am Lee & Helen Cooke
Carmen LaVorgna
Joan Stockinger
Theresa Toscani
10:00am John Fierro
Helga Podsiad
Michael Renaldo
12:00pm Gloria Acosta
Gerald DeVisser
Erma Iorlano
Henry Rallis

*“It is a holy and wholesome thought
to pray for the dead.” (2 Maccabees 12:46)*

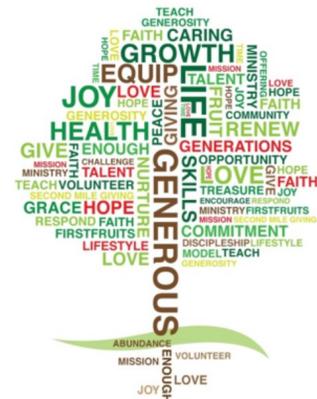
One of the Spiritual Works of Mercy is “to pray for
the living and the dead.”

ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of Palm Sunday

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Attendance:	1,406	
Donations:	\$10,465.02	\$11,165.40
Candles/Poor	\$468.41	\$345.10
WeShare:	\$2,679.00	\$2,564.78
Total:	\$13,612.43	\$14,075.28

*As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good
stewards of God's varied grace. (1 Peter 4:8-10)*



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 28, 2019

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 recently
celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage:**

Corey Fischer & Brianna Franco

*"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:

*Jeanette Beneat, Gregory Bertoline,
Joseph Brucato Jr., Chris Camp, Louis Caprio,
Ralph Cicetti, Maggie Corley, Kathy Corrao,
Robert Darpino, Flo Felano, Stephen Hazuda,
Marie Kelly, Barry Koerber, Edward LaBarre,
Grace Krause, Lynn Krause-Lambermont,
Bob Martens, Jeff Miller, Gloria Minnocci,
Marie Moore, Jenny Moskal,
Donna Ottomanelli, Wendy Perez, Carl Potter,
Michael Perruzzi, Roger Rigolli,
Norma Rivera, Anne Romeo, Kristen Sedlacik,
Jenna Sisto, Debbie Sleeman, Paul Tafuri,
Pat VanSteyn, Michael Waldinger, Selma Will,
and George Wilson*

*Indeed for your faithful, Lord,
life is changed, not ended,
and when this early dwelling turns to dust,
an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven.
(Roman Missal, Preface I for the Dead)*

Pray for the Dead:

*Dorothy Saunders
George Luis Serrano
Gregory F. Velardi*



THANK YOU

Our community changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU! If you haven't yet done so, please turn in your rice bowl.

WEEKLY REMEMBRANCE

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns 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:

Paul Liskay

From his Loving Wife

FAITH FORMATION

**Grades 1-8:
TODAY - April 28
8:30am - 9:45am
10:30am - 11:45am**

**Grades 5-8:
Monday, April 29
7:00pm - 8:15pm**



Confirmation I:
Sunday - May 19
9:30am - 11:30am

Confirmation II:
Sunday - May 19
10:00am Mass followed by class.
Dismissal from Father Rugel Hall at 12:15pm.

We appreciate all students arriving on time for class.

EASTER JOY!

It was good to see so many people come to Our Lady of the Valley and Holy Cross Churches for the celebration of Easter! The Sacred Triduum is the high point and most important days of our liturgical year. So many people are involved in the planning and celebrating of these special days. THANK YOU to all those involved: our Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, those who prepared and decorated our worship spaces, our Fabulous and extraordinary Music Ministry! Everyone working together and assisting each other made our services flow beautifully and effortlessly. A special THANK YOU to the Wayne Police Department for their presence on our Church property during these 'Three Days.' It was very much appreciated!

Fr. Wells & Fr. Duberney

FESTIVAL NEWS

Our Lady of the Valley's Parish Festival
May 14-19, 2019

The Super 50-50 has reached over
\$12,500!



We're counting on YOU to help us reach our goal so
send your tickets in! Additional tickets are available
by calling the Parish Office or stopping in the
sacristy after Mass.

Festival Hours

Tuesday, May 14, through Friday, May 17
6:00pm - 10:00pm

Saturday, May 19
2:00pm - 10:00pm

Sunday, May 20
1:00pm—8:00pm

Pay-One-Price Bracelets are available on the
following days:

Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00pm - 10:00pm
Saturday from 2:00pm - 6:00pm ONLY
Sunday from 1:00pm - 8:00pm

FATHER RUGEL MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

OUR FIFTH YEAR!

Come play or sponsor a hole!



Friday, June 21, 2019

Preakness Valley Golf Club, Wayne, NJ

Scramble Format, 12:00 noon Modified Shotgun Start

JUNE 1 REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR HOLE SPONSORS
\$130 for golf, \$100 hole sponsors

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Our Lady of the Valley Council 6354, Wayne NJ

Buy tickets online at:

www.kofc6354.org



Or contact Alex Hodor @ 201-704-9248

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Monday, April 29

7:00pm - 8:15pm Faith Formation (School, RH)

Tuesday, April 30

6:00pm Festival Meeting (PC2/3)

Wednesday, May 1

6:30pm Cub Scouts (Rugel Hall)
7:00pm Rosary (AC)

Thursday, May 2

7:00pm Bible Study (Holy Cross)

HE HAS RISEN! (MARK 16:6)

Halleluyah,

Rejoice and praise!

Exalt the Savior ~

He is raised.

Let the songs of joy be sung
In the hearts of everyone!

Victory has now been won ~
Eternal life through
Christ the son!

Sing Halleluyah, sing!

MARRINAN/MCNIECE SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are available at the church entrance for
the Knights of Columbus Marrinan/McNiece
Scholarship. The Knights will be selecting two
worthy candidates for scholarships of \$3,000 each.
Scholarship applications are due back by Friday,
May 31. All graduating high school seniors for
either Our Lady of the Valley or Holy Cross
churches who are registered parishioners and who
will be attending a college or university in the fall of
2019 are eligible.

OUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE BIBLE STUDY

As mentioned in our Palm Sunday bulletin, following are some participant testimonies for our “Biblical Walk with Mary”.

“My husband and I signed up for the Bible Study at Holy Cross on Thursday evenings. We weren’t so sure that it would be something that we would enjoy. Big Surprise, we look forward to class each week. We are learning that one simple word in the Bible has so much meaning. Not only are we learning, but we are enjoying ourselves with other people, who like us, want to learn more about our religion. My husband and I are on two different teams which we are discovering gives us double the information when we return home and discuss what we have learned. I highly recommend that you sign up the next time this opportunity comes our way, not only are we learning, we are meeting new people.

Barbara and Michael Doster”

SOCIAL MINISTRY

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.

CATECHISTS NEEDED

The Faith Formation office is in need of catechists for the upcoming 2019 - 2020 year. At this time our need is especially for Grade 1 on Sundays for the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. sessions and Grades 5 and 6 Monday evenings from 7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

If you are interested, please contact the Faith Formation office at (973) 694-4585 extension 7208, or via email at jcocilovo@olvwayne.org.

FAITH FORMATION - NEW STUDENTS

If your child will be entering first grade in September 2019, we invite you to contact 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 x7248 to make an appointment.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

It's that time of year again for our children to be receiving their First Holy Communion during our weekend liturgies beginning Saturday, May 4, at 5:00 p.m.

We feel it is very special that our Masses over the May 4 - 5 and May 11 - 12 weekends will have the opportunity to celebrate First Holy Communion. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on these Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. and Sundays at 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 Noon, so it is truly a community celebration!

We ask your support, prayers, and encouragement for the children and your understanding that the first several pews on each side will be reserved for the children and their families over these two weekends.

As always, the first pew on each side of the church will still be reserved for those who are elderly, or with physical limitations.



YOUTH NEWS

The next Youth Group social will be held on Wednesday, May 8, from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Youth Room. The Festival is only a week away - let's get ready!

The Youth Group service project will be held on Wednesday, May 22, from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30p.m. in the Parish Youth Room. To earn credit for service hours, you must stay for the full service duration.



SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

A Leap of Faith

Were you at the Easter Vigil? Incomparable, remember?

A single, tiny light inched its way up the pitch-black aisle. It spread, all at once, absurdly, into more and more glowing dots, now evenly sparsed throughout the pews. A glowing, humble enchantment.

The light of Christ.

Now, one week later, in the Gospel, we find “doubting Thomas.” “Show me the nail marks in his hands, let me put my finger into his side and then I will believe.” Was he laying down conditions for faith? Let us look.

Thomas and the other disciples were not yet exemplars of faith. Huddled in a tiny room with doors locked double tight for fear of the authorities, holding their distress close, with self-protection and doubt.

Maybe that is why, in each of the New Testament accounts, Jesus appears first to women, not to men. In each case the women believed. Usually he then sent the women to the males, who in their case did not get it, at least not wholly.

Peter and John actually did run to the empty tomb, and Peter went inside. “They did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead,” it says in John 20:9, except that John did, but they went home.

Mary Magdalene was outside. In a heart-burst she knew her beloved. Christ told her not to hang on but to go to his brothers and explain the good news. She did.

Let me tell you a story.

I once knew a man whose doubts were based in deep fear. For a long time he nearly drowned in fear and doubt. He knew, in his mind anyway, that the Holy Spirit was never absent. But in his soul he was walking the edge of the void.

Karl Rahner has said somewhere that *when you come to the void there is no proof either way. There can be no certainty* as to whether the void is absolute emptiness or whether it is the sheer openness of love. You have to make a choice.

This man’s dear, impoverished self had known only empty echoes for such a long time, but suddenly he remembered Rahner’s dictum. Through grace and circumstance and through being loved, he saw that a choice was possible for him. Not a bravado choice, not even a very clear one, but still a choice.

So he asked himself what, at that level, he did believe. Did he think that his own deep emptiness could produce all the foundations of the universe, the heart of the world, of everyone and everything he had ever known and loved?

Or did he see that imperceptible love was nestling gently throughout every particle that exists? Was there a speck of dawning light, or was gloom the final word?

He told me that his choice was surprisingly simple. It was taken in the absence of any proof, since proofs emerge from choice. His choosing was quiet, like still, small spring rain, in spite of his immersion in darkness. He chose light, which is love, which is “like gold to airy thinness beat.”* He made a leap of faith.

In the present day, this man I knew repeats what doubting Thomas will finally say this Sunday. I hope you will be saying it too.

“My Lord and my God.”

John Foley, SJ

* From the poem by John Donne, “Valediction, Forbidding Mourning” (lines 21-24)

... Our two souls therefore, which are one,
Though I must go, endure not yet
A breach, but an expansion,
Like gold to airy thinness beat ...