

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 pm. - 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 February 15 – 16:

Our Lady of the Valley

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

Holy Cross

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

ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of February 2

	2020	2019
Donations:	\$7,677.50	\$8,145.50
Candles/Poor:	\$301.10	\$240.81
WeShare:	\$2,170.57	\$2,564.78
Total:	\$10,149.17	\$10,951.09
Attendance:	815	958

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)



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Day	Time	Intention
Monday, February 10	7:30am	Estelle Antonsik
Tuesday, February 11	7:30am	The Buchmann Family Kirk Chagnon (Special Intention) Dominick Gagliostro Frances West
<i>Miraculous Medal Novena to follow Mass on Tuesday</i>		
Wednesday, February 12	7:30 a.m.	For the People
Thursday, February 13	7:30 a.m.	For the People
Friday, February 14	7:30am	Elvia Gerardino Iris Viale
Saturday, February 15	7:30am	William Michael Kievit
	5:00pm	Rose & Pat Cervino Charles Spinella Father Gene Walter
Sunday, February 16	8:00am	Maria Aliano Nicholas Dilizia Frances King Nicholas Sarlis
	10:00am	Jacqueline Crane Murray Siblings: Jimmy, Marilyn Keenan, Joseph
	12:00pm	Mary Currie Paul Liskay

OFFERTORY STATEMENT

Offertory statements for 2019 are now available. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of your donations for last year, please call the Parish Office at 973-694-4585 Ext. 7200. At that time, we will confirm our records on file to ensure we have noted any changes for this coming year.

YOUTH NEWS

The Youth Group service project will be held on Wednesday, February 12, 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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 9, 2020

PARISH SACRAMENTAL & PRAYER LIFE

*"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:

Roberta Aiello	Patricia Leonard	Cathy Sadowski
Jeanette Beneat	Pippin Llanes	Jenna Sisto
Gregory Bertoline	Ronald Maggio	Debbie Sleeman
Theresa Bishop	Jeff Miller	Gary VanSteyn
Joseph Brucato Jr.	Gloria Minnocci	Pat VanSteyn
Chris Camp	Marie Moore	Al VonMelon
Louis Caprio	Jenny Moskal	Filomena VonMelon
Maggie Corley	Donna Ottomanelli	Michael Waldinger
Kathy Corrao	Opal Panzella	Shirley Williams
Robert Darpino	Wendy Perez	George Wilson
Frank Delmo	Carl Potter	Kathy Krause
Brandon Godbolt	Michael Perruzzi	Al Soltis
Florence Gut	Roger Rigolli	Gerard Anthony Gagliano
Marie Kelly	Norma Rivera	Freddy De Almeida
Barry Koerber	Antonino Ruggiero	Paul Wilczewski
Edward LaBarre	Annetta Sadowski	

Effective January 1, names will remain on the sick prayer list for three months. Please call the parish office if you wish to extend. As a reminder, due to HIPAA, only the individual or a family member can add someone to the prayer list.

WEEKLY REMEMBRANCE

This week the Sanctuary Lamp which 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:

Michael Stevens

From his Loving Wife

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Grades 1-8:

Sunday, February 23, March 1, 15, 22, 29
8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Grades 5-8:

Monday, February 24, March 2, 16, 23, 30
7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.



Confirmation I:
TODAY - February 9
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Confirmation II:
TODAY - February 9
1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Please have students arrive on time!

PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration is necessary for all individual persons and families who worship with us on Sundays and who intend to participate in the life of our parish with their time, talent and treasures. For more information, please contact the Parish Office or log onto our website. **Registration is necessary to celebrate Marriage and Baptism here, as well as for receiving Sponsor Certificates.**

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. All calls/inquiries will be strictly confidential.

MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass is the central act of worship in the Church. The reason that this tradition has been passed on for centuries is because of the many spiritual fruits that result from this form of prayer. The celebration of the Eucharist is the highest form of worship in the Catholic Church because we unite ourselves with Christ's sacrifice on the cross in worship of his Father.

St. John Paul II emphasized the graces that come when a Mass is offered. "The Church believes that she will be heard, for she prays in union with Christ her Head and Spouse, who takes up this plea of His Bride and joins it to His own redemptive sacrifice."

Mass intentions are available for your deceased family and friends or special intentions for the living. Please stop by the Parish Office if you would like to schedule an intention for Mass or a special intention for the Sanctuary Lamp, bread and wine offered at the weekend liturgy.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Many thanks to our Faith Formation Families for the wonderful response to our request for cans of soup for our Souper Bowl of Caring! Over 200 cans of soup were donated to needy food pantries in Wayne and Paterson. The Souper Bowl of Caring is an organization that encourages groups to collect soup on Super Bowl Sunday and donate the items right in their own neighborhood. During these especially cold winter days and nights, it is truly heartwarming to have such a wonderful response from our Faith Formation families. God Bless you!

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Our next Bible study on the topic, No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion will begin on Thursday, February 27.

We will walk **step-by-step** with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Mount of Calvary with biblical experts revealing every step of the way how the Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death.

In this study, we will discover...

- The Biblical background to each scene in Christ's passion.
- What was Jesus going through at each moment?
- How did the Old Testament foretell of Christ's death?
- Why did Christ die for us? What did it accomplish?
- What was the meaning behind of the tearing of the temple veil, the crowning with thorns, and other events during Christ's Passion?

Dr. Sri also unpacks commonly misunderstood sayings of Jesus, such as...

- "Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass?"—Was Jesus thinking of backing out at the last minute?
- "My God, my God why have you abandoned me?"—Was Jesus really abandoned by the Father on the cross?
- "You have said so."—What does that mean?

The cost for this session is \$25. This five week session will be held on Thursday's during Lent at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Church on February 27, March 5, 12, 19, and 26. Please call the Parish Office to register as soon as possible.

Women's Retreat

“P.U.S.H....Pray until something happens”

We were all taught that prayer is important but what is true and effective prayer? Why is it that some prayers seem to be answered while others can leave us confused and conflicted? Is there a correct way to pray that can lead to effective results? How many kinds of prayers are there? What if we don't know how to pray? What if our heart is too heavy or hurt to pray? What if our faith seems shattered and we are reluctant to pray? All these questions will be explored and answered. There is a trusted way to pray. We can learn a steadfast connection to the Lord that DOES really work!

Presented by: Ginger Grancagnolo, Ed.D., OPA

Saturday, March 21, 2020

9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Our Lady of the Valley Father Rugel Hall

Hosted by: Our Lady the Valley/Holy Cross Women's Cornerstone
(A light lunch will be served)

Cost: \$20

Information/Registration: Srdorothy@olvwayne.org
973-694-4585 x7245

About the Presenter:

Ginger is a lecturer, author, and private counselor. She has created many healing CD workshops and is author of Who Would I Be If I Weren't So Afraid, The Mother Principle and the Father Principle. Her recent book is How to Find Joy in a Crazy, Upside-down World. (Books will be available the day of the retreat.)

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

Who Are We?

This Sunday Jesus begins to instruct the disciples about how to be his followers. In the Gospels of previous Sundays we have been following the story of his early career.

He went to be baptized. Then, when he heard that John the Baptist had been murdered, he moved from Galilee to Capernaum. He chose his apostles there. Last Sunday we reminisced about his “presentation” as an infant, which itself looked forward to his suffering.

In this week’s Gospel he tells them to “be what you are.” He gives images. If you are like salt, then don’t lose your flavor. If you are like a lamp then don’t put a basket over yourself where no one can see your light.

Consoling advice.

But would the disciples have followed Jesus if they had known what it really would mean to “be what you are”? The First Reading says it means to share your bread with the hungry, to shelter the oppressed and the homeless. Clothe the naked. Do not turn away from your own. This is how you let your light shine in the darkness. It is the meaning of “becoming yourself.”

A big assignment.

And in our own day, “I just want to be me,” sounds selfish.

“I can get whatever I want whenever I want it.”

“Take care of number one.”

“If it feels good, do it.”

And so on.

In the older culture of the United States, one of the classic songs made popular by Frank Sinatra was “I Did It My Way”:

I planned each charted course,
each careful step, along the byway,
and more, much more than this,
*I did it my way.**

And so on.

The main message is that “I” have succeeded in life because it is *mine*. *Me!* No one dared to interfere with *me* because I did everything “my way.”

There is a backdrop of fear in these lyrics, something about not being free to be myself, about having to do everything according to someone else’s will.

Aren’t we are just cogs in a giant, international, industrial wheel? The world and its population are very, very large, no surprise that mass production, mass advertising and mass purchasing give us the feeling that we are worth very little in ourselves other than contributing to the market, doing and buying what it dictates. Maybe we should at last face down the great machine and defy it outright. In the USA our coming election(s) and the surprising impeachment seem to hover around the same polarities.

But the scriptures assume just the opposite. They suppose that every human being is created with an unrepeatable, deep, interior shape. Rather than having to fight others in order to do my own will, I need to allow the Spirit of God to find a home deep within the interior space that is me. This Spirit will not invade me because it is the essence of respect, of forgiveness, of loving.

It is God.

You and I are built to be at one with this Spirit. “Becoming myself” means becoming what I was built to be, a home for the Spirit of Jesus and of God.

God’s love becomes us.

John Foley, SJ

* See: the complete Lyrics.

They include,

not the words of one who kneels.

The record shows I took the blows

And did it my way.

Ok, but Jesus revealed what it means to kneel.

And to be myself!