

Our Lady of the Valley Church

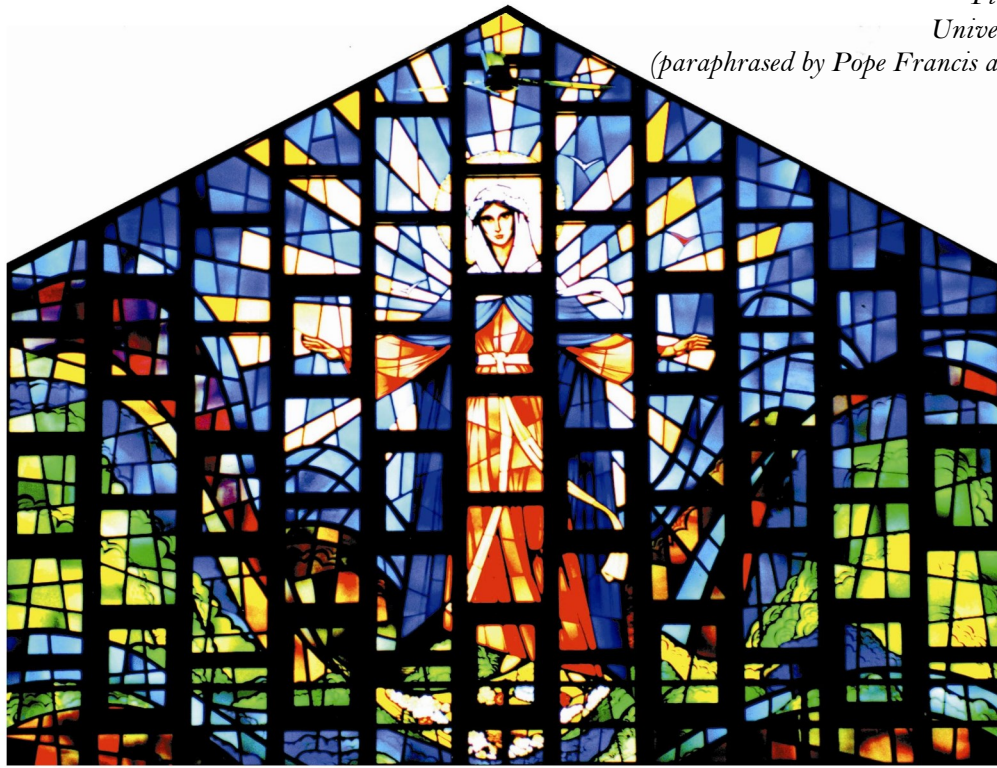
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**“The Church is Holy, not just because all are welcome.
The Church is Holy, because all belong.”**

*Timothy M. Matovina
University of Notre Dame*

(paraphrased by Pope Francis at General Audience)



Schedule of Masses

Weekdays

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m.

Weekends

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

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

All Masses are now Livestreamed

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

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

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday - 12:00 p.m. in Church
or by appointment

**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

PLEASE NOTE NEW PHONE EXTENSIONS:

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PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Weekend of April 17-18:

Our Lady of the Valley

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

Holy Cross

10:00am Father Wells

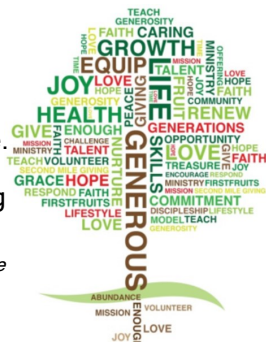
ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

Attendance April 3/4

In-Person (People): 627
Livestreaming (Households): 1,798

Stewardship totals are not available.
We prayerfully request considering
WeShare during this time or mailing
envelopes into the office.

*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

Monday, April 12	9:00am	Anthony & Helen Barbarito
Tuesday, April 13	9:00am	Diana Vega
Wednesday, April 14	9:00am	Mary Ann Dowling Elvia Gerardino
Thursday, April 15	9:00am	For the People
Friday, April 16	9:00am	For the People
Saturday, April 17	5:00pm	Ed Barbieri Nancy Clarken Rev. Msgr. Mark Giordani Patrick Munsey Stella Segovia Theresa Suchar
Sunday, April 18	8:00am	Joseph Caputo Michael Conry, Sr. Lorraine Weland
	12:00pm	George Bautista Angela Patti Kenneth Predmore, Sr. Peter VanderJagt

THANK YOU!

Our community changed lives this Lent and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU! Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl with the weekly collection or mail to the Parish Office as soon as possible. You can also donate online at crsricebowl.org/give.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

The next Confirmation I and Confirmation II classes are scheduled for TODAY, April 11.

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 11, 2021

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:

Barry Koerber	Roger Rigolli
Jenny Moskal	Gloria Dykstra
Debbie Sleeman	Donald Boman
Gary VanSteyn	Joe DeFalco
Pat VanSteyn	Rita Rugel
Michael Waldinger	Amy Avitio

UPDATED NOTE: In order to be added to our prayer list, a member of the immediate family should request a person's name be added. The current names will remain on the list until July.

*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:

*Dolores Bykowski
Anne Cavallo*



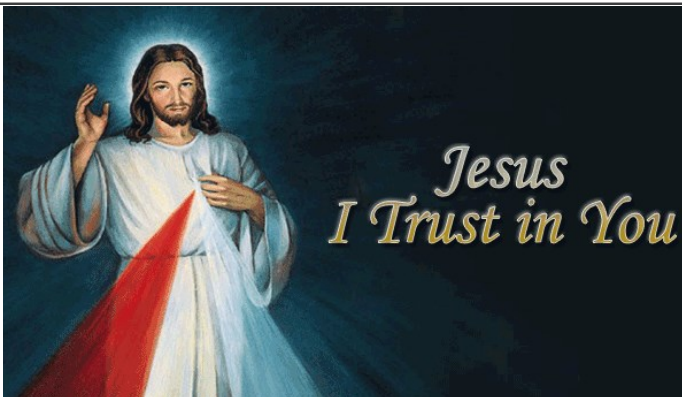
WEEKLY REMEMBRANCE

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 honor of:

Albert Samuels

From his Loving Daughter, Theresa,
and Grandson, Brandon

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



UBUNTU

An anthropologist showed a game to the children of an African tribe ...

He placed a basket of delicious fruits near a tree trunk and told them: The first child to reach the tree will get the basket.

When he gave them the start signal, he was surprised that they were walking together, holding hands until they reached the tree and shared the fruit!

When he asked them why you did that when every one of you could get the basket only for him! They answered with astonishment: Ubuntu. "That is, how can one of us be happy while the rest are miserable?" Ubuntu in their civilization means: (I am because we are).

That tribe knows the secret of happiness that has been lost in all societies that transcend them and which consider themselves civilized societies !!

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SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

Doubt

Do you believe in the resurrection?

If the answer is “no,” St. Paul says that “our faith is in vain” (1 Cor 15:14).

Alright, but sometimes it is hard to know what this “resurrection” is. Could it simply be bringing Jesus back to life so he could go on as before?

No! since Jesus was deeply marked by injuries, humiliation and death, a mere return to life would let these recede into the background. An ordinary life. All better now.

Here is a metaphor to suggest an answer.

Imagine there is a “spiritual soil” from which all life “sprouts.” In his death Jesus plunged deep down into such a soil. He stumbled, fell, and lost the very thing we think is irreplaceable and to be guarded beyond all else: life.

But in this metaphor, life is only a garden plant. It grows from the loam so rich that we hardly see it. That spiritual soil is love.

Vast, quiet love.

Our doubt sets in, like Doubting Thomas’s. He was resentful, probably broken-hearted. He warded off his grief by simple denial. Unless I “put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe” (Gospel).

And look at the other men. In the gospel of Luke, women, not the men, were the ones who saw the empty tomb first as well as the angels, and they took it seriously. But “... their words seemed an idle tale, and [the apostles] did not believe” (Lk 24:11). In Matthew’s gospel, Jesus first came to the women. When the men went to the place where Jesus had said he would meet them, “they worshipped him, but some doubted” (Mt 28:17). In Mark, Jesus appeared first to Mary Magdalene, but when she went to the apostles, you guessed it, they rejected her testimony (Mk 16:9). Nor did they listen to the men who had met Jesus walking to Emmaus (Mk 16:12-13).

Hard to miss the fact that the women usually believed and the men usually did not. Women dared to trust what they saw. Yes, women have been given lower status in culture throughout the ages, but we know that it is a big mistake to ignore their testimony.

Dan Brown’s Da Vinci Code was a vehicle for huge doubt. For him, males have systematically repressed the essence of Christianity. The real truth, he claims, guarded through centuries, is that Mary Magdalene was Jesus’ secret wife! Moreover, a flesh and blood descendent from Jesus is alive today (a woman, living in secret and in fear for her life). Obviously, as Brown seems to think, if the gospels are just huge cover-ups, then the resurrection would be just one more spin on the glittering wheel of deception.

What is the truth about the resurrection?

Jesus’ life, death and resurrection pointed us toward the source of all life, the source of the universe, of trees, of women and men, of marriage and offspring. Jesus was the river of love that God had poured into the world. He was now flowing back into the ocean of the Trinity and taking us along, whichever of us chooses to believe.

That is the resurrection.

Do you believe in it? If you do, then you believe that love is the foundation of life. Just put your finger into the mark of the nails, and put your hands into his side and you will find it.

John Foley



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