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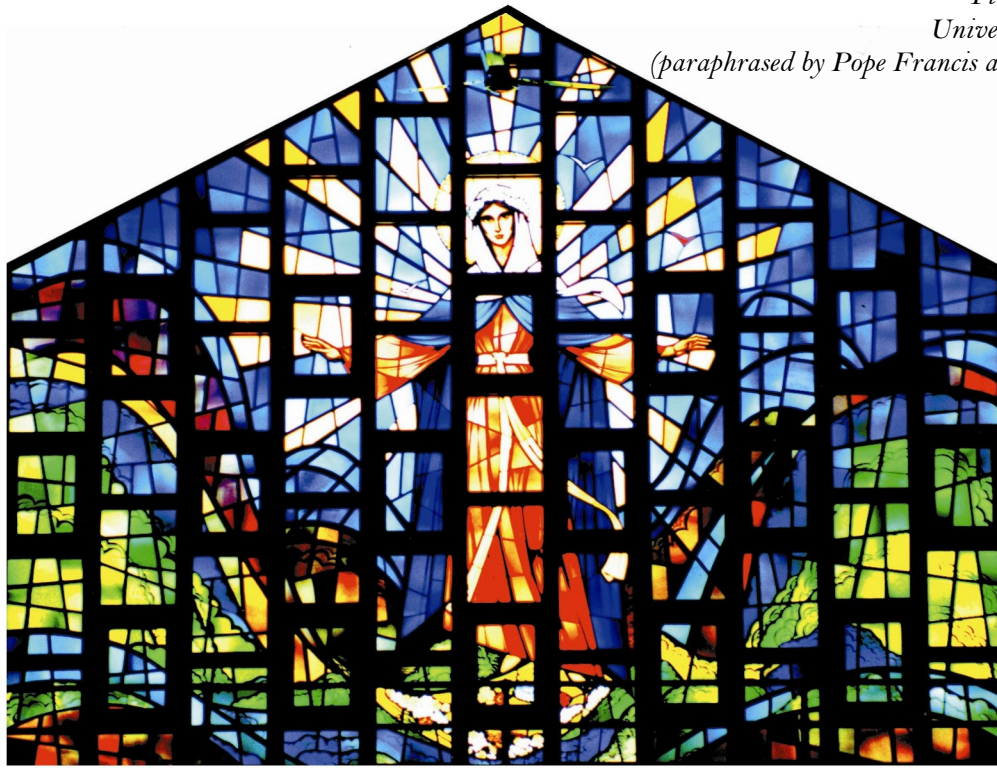
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**“The Church is Holy, not just because all are welcome.
The Church is Holy, because all belong.”**

*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., 10:00 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

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PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Weekend of December 4-5:

Our Lady of the Valley

5:00 p.m. Father Duberney
8:00 a.m. Father Wells
10:00 a.m. Father Duberney
12:00 Noon Father Duberney

Holy Cross

5:00 p.m. Father Wells
10:00 a.m. Father Wells

ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

Attendance: November 20-21

In-Person (People): 472

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, November 29	9:00am	Mary Girone Vitale
Tuesday, November 30	9:00am	Alice Sisco
Wednesday, December 1	9:00am	For the People
Thursday, December 2	9:00am	For the People
Friday, December 3	9:00am	Mary Scibetta
Saturday, December 4	5:00pm	Richard & Ethel Hintz Anne Rymarzow Barbara & Stanley Wielgus
Sunday, December 5	8:00am	Joseph Buononato, Jr. Catherine & Jacob Pavlica Harold Ronnholm
	10:00am	Lou Barresi Irene Goodrich Kenneth Predmore, Sr. Betty & Raymond Van Kerschaver
	12:00pm	Peter & Bettina Perrupato Lydia Piacentini Mary Scibetta

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Grades 1-8: TODAY, November 28

Sundays, December 5, 19
8:30 a.m.-9:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Mondays, November 29; December 6, 20
7:00 p.m.-8:15 p.m.

Please have students arrive on time!



Confirmation I and II
Sunday, December 12
9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Please have students arrive on time!

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - NOVEMBER 28, 2021

PARISH SACRAMENTAL & PRAYER LIFE

*After his resurrection he told his disciples:
"Go out and teach all nations, baptizing them
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."
(Rite of Baptism, Blessing of Water)*

**We congratulate and welcome those who
were baptized last weekend:**

Allyson Naomi Zito

*"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:

<i>Barry Koerber</i>	<i>Liza Haddad</i>
<i>Jenny Moskal</i>	<i>Michelina Giuliano</i>
<i>Debbie Sleeman</i>	<i>Andrea Maratta</i>
<i>Michael Waldinger</i>	<i>Ronald Paulison</i>
<i>Joe DeFalco</i>	<i>Deacon Sonny Curcio</i>
<i>Rita Rugel</i>	<i>Gloria Keenan</i>
<i>Carmen Maratta</i>	<i>Debbie Werthmann</i>
<i>Joseph Beneat</i>	<i>Michael Borroto</i>
<i>William Capello</i>	<i>Garry Van Steyn</i>
<i>John Fulton</i>	<i>Mary DeLuca</i>
<i>Cathy Hager</i>	<i>Ann Nevins</i>

*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:

Dr. William McIver



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:

Alexander Partyka, Jr.

From the Parish Staff

A NOTE FROM DEACON VINCE

Our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive was held this past Monday evening and it was a great success. Last year, you may or may not remember, despite the pandemic, we collected and distributed about 110 complete dinners, the highest number we had ever collected. Until this year. Monday we were able to collect and distribute 145 complete dinners, plus 18 boxes of assorted groceries without turkeys.

In addition to the baskets, at this time we received \$4,515 of monetary donations with additional funds still coming in to increase this amount. This is almost double what we received last year.

Great thanks and appreciation goes to every parishioner who donated food or financial help, or both, and to all the many giving people and adults who sorted and packed and assembled the boxes, and carried them to and from the vehicles waiting outside in the cold. This was an outstanding effort for everyone involved. So many people benefited from your generosity. Thank God, and thank all of you.

CHRISTMAS 50/50 RAFFLE



Don't forget your Christmas Raffle Tickets! Order forms available on the parish website or in the Parish Office.

ALTAR SERVERS

Altar servers are needed for all masses. This is a great way for our young parishioners to start their own way to give back to their parish.



If you are interested, please contact the parish office for more details.



MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The loss of a loved one at any time of our lives always leaves us with an empty feeling that we call grief. There is never an easy time to lose someone we love. During this time of the year when the rest of the world is festive, joyful, and filled with the Christmas spirit, those who mourn are often left alone, lonely, and sometimes depressed.

We invite you and your family to join with others who are mourning a loved one at our *Mass of Remembrance* on *Sunday, December 12, at 2:00 p.m.*

During Mass we will include a roll call of the names of our loved ones buried from Our Lady of the Valley and Holy Cross Parishes this past year as well as the names of those requested.

If you would like to have your loved one's name included in the roll call, please fill out the following form and drop it in the collection basket, the mail, or email Sister Dorothy directly at: Srdorothy@olvwayne.org, or call (973) 694-4585 x104. If leaving a voicemail, please leave your name and speak slowly and clearly the spelling of your loved one's names. Names must be submitted by December 8.

“Come to me all you who are weary and
burdened, and I will give you rest.”
Matthew 11:28

Name(s) of deceased:

Please PRINT clearly



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Three ways to give and share the Christmas Spirit

Online Donations:

- o Go to www.olvwayne.org
- o Click 2021 Giving Tree Donations (right side of home page)
- o Click "One Time Donation" and choose donation amount
- o Scroll down to choose your preferred charity and fill in remainder of form
- o At the end, please select "I Agree" and submit your online donation to complete the process.

Donation Drop Box:

- o Place your donation in an envelope, indicate the charity of your choice on the outside, drop in the decorated box either before or after mass or on the parish center back porch
- o Please note: gift cards or checks ONLY

Drop off at Parish Office during office hours (weekdays 9a-12n, 1p-5p)

- o Place your donation in an envelope, indicate the charity of your choice on the outside, drop at Parish Office.
- o Please note: gift cards or checks ONLY

*Last date to donate will be 12/20/21

"For it is in giving that we receive." ~St. Francis of Assisi

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

A Wake Up Call

The Church seems to have a carrot/stick strategy in Advent's Sunday readings. Each week, the First Reading is positive, a promise of good. It is the "carrot." Then the Gospel and often the Second Reading seem to whack us with the "stick."

Take the First Reading this Sunday. It reminds us of the promise God made to his people: Rightness and justice will come to the earth. Security. The day of the Lord will arrive, though long delayed. Peace in our day.

What a great promise at such a time as ours. Too good to be true? Just pious thought? Read the First Reading now and ask yourself such questions. Spend time with the puzzles. Pray to God for help. The Responsorial Psalm will help. It asks God to make known his ways to us, to guide us and to teach us.

The Second Reading urges us to put God's promise of peace into action, even if we are only starting to grasp what it means.

Love others and be loved!

Let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day,
not in orgies and drunkenness,
not in promiscuity and lust,
not in rivalry and jealousy.

Are you tempted to such things?

But wait, examine your life! Don't you need to "put on the Lord Jesus Christ," as this reading urges? You answer, "I am perfectly awake." No problem! Yet Paul says, "it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep." Asleep? Are you awake?

The Gospel is the "stick" that tries to help us wake up, especially if the above has not helped.

Two men will be out in the field;
one will be taken, and one will be left.
Two women will be grinding at the mill;
one will be taken, and one will be left.
Therefore, stay awake!

Go ahead and spend time on this. Are you ready for the warning? Let yourself imagine what this planet might be like if no one paid attention except to their own wants. Picture it and don't worry about being exact. Experience it.

Will such a shakeup happen literally? Maybe much worse is to come, judging from our world. Do you live without fear of terrorist acts, of proliferating nuclear weapons, of the crash of an entire world economy, of the greed that fills so many hearts to overflowing in our cities, in our states, in our world?

If you can say, "you are right, I am afraid of these," then you can go back and read the Responsorial Psalm and pray heartily. Beg that Christ be given birth in your soul and in so many others in this world that need it so badly.

Why celebrate Advent?

"I don't know why, it always just comes along"; or, "I don't know, no one ever told me why." Or especially, "if Christ has already been born, what is this Advent 'waiting' for? Have we forgotten what happened so many centuries ago and need to remind ourselves?"

Strangely that is part of the answer. His birth is into our hearts every year, not just once, thousands of years ago. Wake up!

John Foley, SJ



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