

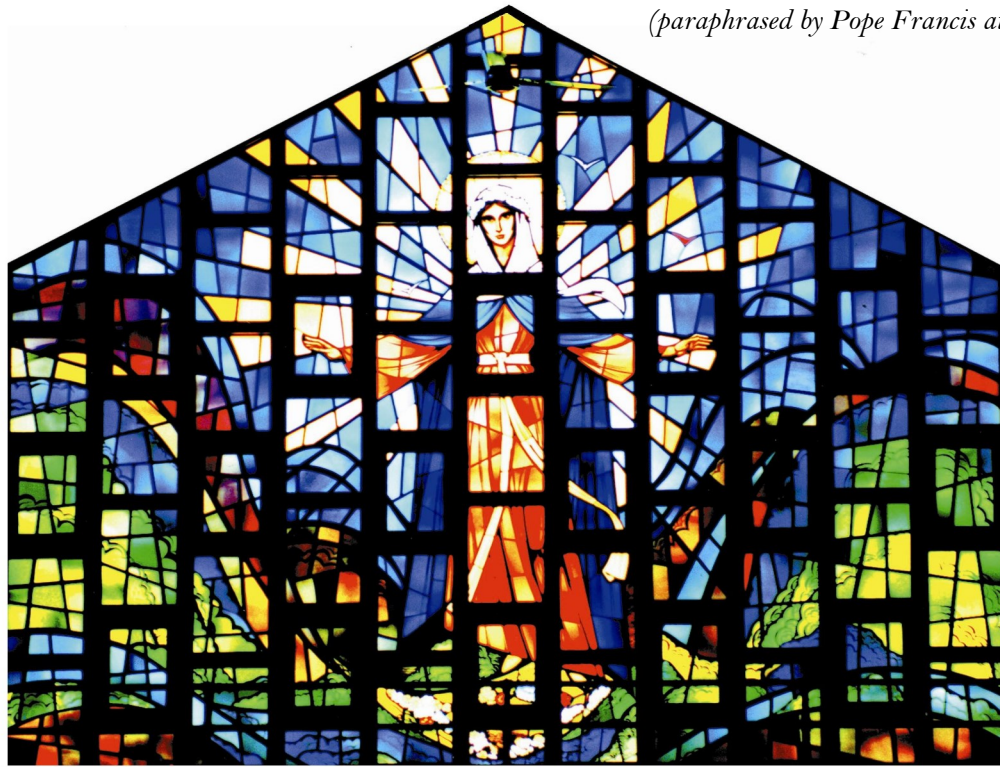
Our Lady of the Valley Church

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)*



December 11, 2016

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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Michael Renaldo (Trustee Emeritus)

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, December 12	7:30am	For the People
Tuesday, December 13	7:30am	For the People <i>Miraculous Medal Novena to follow Mass on Tuesday</i>
Wednesday, December 14	7:30am	For the People
Thursday, December 15	7:30am	Paul Liskay Barbara Scibetta (Special Intention)
Friday, December 16	7:30am	Theodore & Rose Cabat Deceased members of Gellene & Ryan Families Edward Kelso
Saturday, December 17	7:30am	For the People
	5:00pm	Joseph Albanese Patrick Cannata Paul Kuruc Stephanie & Michael Popovich Isabel Rozo Catherine Soltys
Sunday, December 18	8:00am	Joseph Caputo Walter Cauceglia Alfred & Theresa Toscani John Toth

Weekend Collection



Weekend Collection: December 4, 2016
Attendance: 1067
Weekend Collection: \$8333.22
Candles / Poor Box \$393.60
Parish Pay: \$3,128.67
Total: \$11,855.49

10:00am	Rosemarie Amill Gennaro Carpenito Gerard Farese Ann & Carmen Russo
12:00pm	Americo Costagliola Dean Riccardi Stephen Rinaldo Marilyn VonLindern

Presider Schedule

Weekend of December 17-18:

Our Lady of the Valley

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

Holy Cross

5:00pm	Father Michael Lee
10:00am	Father Michael Lee

Weekly Remembrance

The Sanctuary Lamp, which burns near the tabernacle, in church and is the reminder of our Lord's presence in the Most Holy Eucharist, will burn in loving memory of:

Paul Liskay

Also, the altar bread and wine, which will become the Holy Body and Precious Blood of our Lord, was given in memory of Paul Liskay from his loving family.

Third Sunday of Advent — December 11, 2016

Christmas Concert TODAY

The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea, conducted by Father Alphonse Stephenson, will perform their Christmas Concert at Our Lady of the Valley today Sunday, December 11, at 7:30pm. Tickets can still be purchased from members of our Music Team after Mass today.

Cost:

Adults: \$30

Seniors 65+ and children 12 years and younger: \$20



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 to sickness, old age, an accident, or a senseless act of violence. 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 at Our Lady of the Valley Church on:

Sunday, December 18, at 2:30pm

Mass will include a roll call of the names of our loved ones buried from Our Lady of the Valley and Holy Cross 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, email Sister Dorothy directly at: Srdorothy@olvwayne.org, or call 973-694-4585 x7245 by Monday, December 13.

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

Matthew 11:28

Parish's Sacramental and 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:

*Joseph Brucato Jr.,
Carol Brugaletta,
Father Michael Burke,
Louis Caprio,
Ralph Cicetti,
Robert Darpino,
Flo Felano,
Josephine Ganz,
John Giannini,
Dave Hesson,
Marie Liffers,
Mary Maksuta,
Gloria Minnocci,
James Murray,
Michael Renaldo,
Ann Russo,
Kristen Sedlacik,
Michael Waldinger*

Away in a Manger

The Christmas song says that the little Lord Jesus had no crib for a bed, but no crying he made. In the scriptures we are told that the Son of Man had no place to lie his head.

At both Our Lady of the Valley and Holy Cross, the little Lord Jesus has a new place in which to sleep!

Thanks to the expert craftsmanship of **David Hall**, we have two beautiful new stables for display at Christmas. Make sure you make a “pilgrimage” to the front lawn of the church to see these wonderful cedar wood creations.

THANK YOU DAVE HALL!

Calling Young Musicians

We invite you to join our music ministry at the 4:00pm Christmas Eve Family Liturgy.

For further information see Mr. Peragallo after Mass or email him at john@peragallo.com



FRIENDS OF THE WORD, INC.

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St. Joseph's Missals

As our new liturgical year begins, new St. Joseph's Missals are available at a cost of \$3 each from the Parish Center during the week.

Expectant Parents

The blessing of expectant parents will take place after all Masses this weekend, December 10 and 11.



Please meet the priest or deacon at the baptismal font following Mass for this special blessing which occurs monthly.

Women's Organization

Our Lady of the Valley Women's Organization is having a Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, December 14, at 1:00pm at the Paris Inn, 1929 Alps Road, Wayne. All the ladies of Our Lady of the Valley are invited and a special invitation is being extended to the ladies of Holy Cross Church. Please call Joyce Laauwe 973-942-9322 for reservations.

Women's Cornerstone

The ladies from the OLV Cornerstone, cordially invite all women of the Parish to join us after Mass on the weekend of January 7 and 8, 2017.

We will be serving coffee and in Father Rugel Hall and sharing some of the Blessings we have each received while attending our Annual Retreat.

This year the retreat will be held on February 10 and 11, 2017. All ladies are welcome and encouraged to join with us on this fulfilling and edifying retreat.

We will be raffling two tickets for ladies from each Church to participate in this spiritual event at no cost.

Please sign-up to participate in this raffle: The winning tickets will be drawn by the celebrant at the end of the final Mass, January 8.

You need not be present to win.

Name: _____

E-Mail Address _____

Phone No. _____

Please submit the signed form to:

Our Lady of the Valley Roman Catholic Church,
630 Valley Road,
Wayne, NJ 07470.

For more information please call:
Ruth Gerardino @ 973-978-7904 or
Judi Meo @ 201-247-8175

Faith Formation News

Grades 1-8:

Sunday, December 18
8:30-9:45 and 10:30-11:45

Monday, December 19
7:00-8:15pm



Confirmation I:

TODAY—Sunday, December 11
9:30am—11:30am

Confirmation II:

TODAY—Sunday, December 11
1:15pm—2:45pm

Antioch

Success!!

Our 53rd Antioch retreat was a wonderful success! Congratulations to the two team leaders, **Allie DeSimone** and **Kirsten Guinto** who led their team and candidates on this weekend.

Our thanks to the many people who donated money, food, snacks and beverages to help nourish the teens on their journey. Gratitude also to those who took the time to cook, serve and/or clean up after our meals. The teens were truly edified by all those who prayed - those who filled our prayer chart and those who prayed anonymously. Your prayers truly helped to lift spirits of both team and candidates on the weekend. Special, heartfelt thanks to our two kitchen angels, **Carole DeSimone** and **JoAnn Risi** who fed us both physically and spiritually. Lastly, and most importantly, our deep appreciation for the two wonderful priests, Father Wells and Father Peter for their presence and guidance. We are truly indebted to all for your support of our youth in the parish.

Annual Giving Tree



At each entrance to the church there is a small basket filled with multi-colored tags. These list the gift requested by the agencies which we assist.

When returning your gift please make sure the tag is securely fastened to the outside of the box or gift bag: **PLEASE DO NOT** wrap gifts as they will be unwrapped before being given away.

Gifts may be dropped off in the school lobby at Our Lady of the Valley after Mass this weekend. Alternatively, they may be delivered to Parish Center's back porch until the Morning of December 12.

Christmas gifts will be delivered to the agencies on December 12.

Thank you, for your continued generosity!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Spiritual Reflection

He Who Is To Come

From his cell in prison John the Baptist had heard stories about Jesus, and he sent some of his followers to find out if Jesus is the messiah. Are you 'He who is to come' or do we look for another? they asked Jesus.

Jesus had to reply in such a way that John would have no doubt about the genuineness of his messianic activity, and the message he sent back to John was about the blind receiving their sight, the lame walking, the lepers being cleansed, the deaf hearing, the dead being raised, and the poor having good news brought to them.

He did not say a word about people praying more or going to the synagogue or making God the center of their lives: The age of the messiah, as expressed in this report, does not concern "religion" in the traditional sense of the word.

One knows that the messiah has come because a real change has taken place in society, a change that involves the liberation of those who have always been cut off from the 'main branch' of society.

Jesus is the messiah because those who are blind, crippled, diseased, and poor have been liberated from the things which make them the victims of injustice.

We can turn the statement around to say that if the dregs of society do not experience liberation, then Jesus is not the messiah.

But Jesus is the messiah, and so the dead have come to life: those who have been unable to 'live' in a society that has written them off, are now alive with hope.

The Gospel has truly been a leaven of liberty and progress in human history, even in its temporal sphere, and always proves itself a leaven of brotherhood, of unity, and of peace. Therefore, not without cause is Christ hailed by the faithful as 'the expected of the nations, and their Savior' (*Antiphon O* for Dec. 23).

Vatican II, *Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church*, section 8