

Holy Cross Catholic Church

17 Van Duyne Avenue † Wayne † New Jersey † 07470 †

973-694-4585

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

The Church is Holy, because all belong.”

Timothy M. Matovina



April 2, 2017

Schedule of Masses

Saturdays: 5:00pm

Sundays: 10:00am

*Daily Mass is celebrated at 7:30am
at Our Lady of the Valley Church*

630 Valley Road - Wayne

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00-4:30pm

Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage

& Personal Appointments

Please call the Parish Office

Our Parish is Served By

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Weekend Collection

Weekend of March 26, 2017

Weekend Collection: \$1,759.00

Total Collection: \$1,759.00

Mass Attendance: 136

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Expectant Parents



The blessing of expectant parents will take place after all Masses next weekend, April 8—9.

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

Stations of the Cross

The 'Stations of the Cross' will be prayed each Friday evening during Lent at 7:00pm at Our Lady of the Valley Church. For many, the Stations of the Cross are synonymous with Lent. This devotion is also known as the "Way of the Cross," the "Via Crucis," and the "Via Dolorosa." It commemorates fourteen key events on the day of Jesus' crucifixion, the majority concerning his final walk through the streets of Jerusalem, carrying his cross. The Stations originated in medieval Europe when wars prevented Christian pilgrims from visiting the Holy Land and walking along the actual route.

Weekly Mass Intentions

April 8 —5:00pm Debbie Petkovich

April 9 —10:00am Joan & Vince Nigrelli

Presider this weekend is Father Wells

Presider at Our Lady of the Valley are as follows:

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

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, Kathy Corrao,
Robert Darpino, Carole DeSimone,
Flo Felano, Josephine Ganz,
Lawrence Jerome Hanlon, Marie Liffers, Mary
Maksuta, Gloria Minnocci,
James Murray, Vincent Petrocelli,
Michael Renaldo, Kristen Sedlacik,
Michael Waldinger

DePaul Open House

DePaul Catholic High School will host an Open House on Wednesday, April 26. The program begins at 7:00pm and concludes at 8:30pm. Prospective students Grades 7—11 and their families are encouraged to attend.

To register please visit www.depaulcatholic.org. For further information, please email or contact Darlene Saporito [973-694-3702 ext. 442](tel:973-694-3702).

Mount Saint Dominic Academy

Mount Saint Dominic Academy is hosting an Open House for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls and their families on Wednesday, April 26, at 6:30pm in the Performing Arts Center. For questions or additional information, call 973-226-0660 x1221.

Mount Saint Dominic Academy, 3 Ryerson Avenue,
Caldwell, NJ 07006; www.msdacademy.org

Fifth Sunday in Lent — April 2, 2017

Faith Formation



Grades 1-8:

Sunday, April 2, 23, 30
8:30-9:45 and 10:30-11:45

Monday, April 3, 24, May 1
7:00-8:15pm

Confirmation I:

Sunday, April 9
9:30am—11:30am

Confirmation II:

Sunday, April 9
1:15pm—2:45pm

Adult Confirmation Classes

If you are 19 years or older and would like information regarding the reception the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Sister Dorothy at 973-694-4585x7245 or via email at Srdorothy@olvwayne.org.

Preparation Classes will be held on Wednesday, April 19, April 26, May 3, May 10, May 24, and May 31 from 7:30pm to 8:45pm.

The Sacrament will be conferred on Sunday, June 4.

Encounter Resilience

We encounter Dita in Ethiopia, and see how her newfound entrepreneurial skills are providing three meals a day for her children—even during a devastating drought. What skills have you discovered this Lent that can be put to good use in building God's kingdom. Visit crsricebowl.org for more.



Father Wells

Welcome Home to Healing

The parishes of the Diocese of Paterson will continue to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the Mondays of Lent, taking part in the 'Welcome Home to Healing' initiative. The scriptures proclaimed during Lent echo the call to conversion, especially through the Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Special emphasis is given to Reconciliation and Penance so that all may celebrate the Paschal Triduum and Easter renewed in soul and spirit.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated from 7:00pm to 8:30pm at Our Lady of the Valley on **April 3.**

Getting Ready for Palm Sunday

Before the renewal of many of our liturgical rites and practices that occurred after the Second Vatican Council, in the Sundays leading up to Holy Week we had two separate celebrations: Passion Sunday and Palm Sunday. The renewal merged the two into one, now formally called:

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion.

Branches of palm, olive, or sometimes even budding willow, are ancient symbols of victory and hope, as well as of new life. The procession celebrating Jesus' entry into Jerusalem overflowed with praise and excitement, as onlookers waved these triumphant branches and proclaimed their blessings. Yet, in a few days, they will cry "Crucify him! The crowds change of heart illustrates the problem of holding God to our expectations.

The crowd expected a liberating leader, the Messiah, to free them from Roman oppression. Jesus instead takes up his Cross and invites us to do the same. Through His Death and Resurrection He is indeed a liberator, but from death and sin, not from Rome. But unable to see past their need, the crowd's disappointment turns to anger and a death order.

As we ready to enter Holy Week next weekend, Palm Sunday teaches us to let God be God, and to trust in God's wisdom not only to meet but shatter and exceed our expectations.



Women's Association

The Women's Association will be meeting in the Parish Center on Wednesday, April 5, at 1:30pm.

Guest speaker will be Debbie McGinn, RN. Her topic: Preparing for Spring: Shake off the Winter Blues.

For further information contact: Sister Dorothy.

All are welcome!