

Holy Cross Catholic 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)



March 18, 2018

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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Carol Kulevich and Linda Paese, Parish Trustees

Weekend Collection

Weekend of March 11, 2018

Weekend Collection:	\$1,317.00
Parish Pay:	\$268.00
Total Collection:	\$1,518.00
Mass Attendance:	116

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Faith Formation News

Grades 1-8:

THIS SUNDAY - March 18
March 25; April 15, 22
8:30-9:45 and
10:30-11:45

Confirmation I

Sunday - April 8
9:30am—11:30am

Grades 1-8:

Monday, March 19, 26
April 16, 23
7:00-8:15pm

Confirmation II

Sunday - April 8
1:15pm—2:45pm



Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

We encounter Andrise, a teacher in Haiti who knows the importance of forming young people who will give back to the community-and their country. Reflect on the role teachers have played in bringing you closer to God and your community. How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crricebowl.org.

Weekly Mass Intentions

March 17 - 5:00pm
March 18 - 10:00am

Elizabeth Weglarz
Richard Bertoline

March 24 - 5:00pm
March 25 - 10:00am
Presider is Father Wells

Richard Armando Sr.
Virginia Zambrano

Our Lady of the Valley

5:00pm
8:00am
10:00am
12:00 Noon

Father Peter
Father Wells
Father Peter
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., Father Michael Burke, Chris Camp, Louis Caprio, Ralph Cicetti, Maggie Corley, Kathy Corrao, Robert Darpino, Jason Dellavalle, Flo Felano, Josephine Ganz, Marie Liffers, Mary Maksuta, Rosa Malfa, Helen Minetti, Gloria Minnocci, Jenny Moskal, Donna Ottomanelli, Monica Phalon, Andrew Potter, Michael Renaldo, Norma Rivera, Kristen Sedlacik, Alfred Smetana, Patricia Smith, Paul Tafuri, Michael Waldinger, George Wilson

*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:

Father Michael Burke
Joseph Gronkowski



Our Lenten Journey

WELCOME HOME TO HEALING

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated from 7:00pm to 8:30pm at Our Lady of the Valley on Monday, March 19. This is the last Monday night for reconciliation during the Lenten season.

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.

Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 18, 2018

Flu Season and the Reception of Holy Communion

Nothing can absolutely prevent the spread of the flu virus, but a few **common sense recommendations** can help to lessen the possibility:

1. If you do not feel well and suspect that you may have the flu or a cold: stay **at home and do not come to Mass.**
2. Wash your hands frequently with soap and water or an alcohol based hand cleanser.
3. All Eucharistic Ministers should wash their hands thoroughly before and after Mass: Hand cleanser is available in the sacristy.
4. **Sign of Peace:** if you feel uncomfortable with the exchange of the sign of peace through a handshake you are under no obligation to do so. You may extend the sign of peace to your neighbors by a nod of the head.
5. Receiving Holy Communion in the hand is the most practical means to distribute the Blessed Eucharist in a sanitary way.
6. Receiving the Eucharist by also drinking the Precious Blood from the common Communion Cup is discontinued until the level of flu cases has dramatically decreased.

Bereavement Support Group

*You can't get around grief, you can only go through it.
It has something to say to us, something to give us."*

Facilitator: Paula Pedersen, RN
When: Monday Evenings
March 19, 26; April 2, 9, 16, 23
Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm
Where: Our Lady of the Valley Parish Center
(Youth Room is located at the front door)
630 Valley Road, Wayne, NJ
Contact: Sister Dorothy 973-694-4585 x7245
Srdorothy@olvwayne.org
To register or for further information



Adult Confirmation Classes

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

Preparation classes will be held on Wednesday: April 11, April 18, April 25, May 2, May 9, and May 16 from 7:15pm-8:30pm. The Sacrament will be conferred on Sunday, May 20.

Festival News

It's coming...May 15-20, 2018! Come celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Our Lady of the Valley Parish Festival.

Hopefully you have received your Super 50-50 tickets in the mail. We already have close to \$4,000 returned! We are hoping to top our amount from last year and need **your** help to make it happen! Please return your tickets either through the mail, drop them off in the basket at the weekend liturgy, or bring them in person to the Parish Center. If you need more tickets, please call the parish secretary.

We are looking to expand our list of sponsors for our festival, especially for our 30th Anniversary year. If you work for a company that might be interested in sponsoring our festival, please call the parish secretary. We have three levels available, Platinum, Gold and Silver. Help this festival to be the best ever!

A Meditation for Saint Joseph's Day

by Sister Brid Carrick, OCD
Tranquilla Carmel
Knock, Ireland

Joseph! Chosen from eternity,
one with Mary in the Father's call
to mirror forth on earth his own eternal love;
that love which is mercy, tender, strong, unfathomable.

Go to Joseph!
Mary was the first to hear those words and obey.

A virgin, trembling on the threshold of womanhood,
awed by the Spirit's call to dedicate her life to God
in single hearted love,
did she not at times wonder?
Who will understand my way?
Must I remain forever an enigma?

Did the Spirit then not whisper, deep within,
"Joseph! Go to Joseph!"

And Joseph did not prove unworthy of her trust.
Within the sheltering mantle of his love she was secure.
Her hand in his,
she knew no fear and was set free
to walk her destined path in joy.

Go to Joseph!
Jesus, a boy in Nazareth, heard these words.
We see him, a child, come running, eager:
"Mother, the wild olives are ripe!
May I go to the hills with my friends to gather some?"
Mary smiles, "Of course, son, if Joseph says so.
Go to Joseph."

Then, a boy's light voice goes running
through a woodshed,
calling, "Abba! Abba Joseph!"

A woman comes, bowed with care.
Her husband needs a plow,
But they are poor and cannot pay just yet.
Perhaps when harvest comes...
Mary soothes her.
"Go to Joseph, Joseph will provide."

When God calls, it is forever.
Until the end of time Joseph still provides
for all the brothers and sisters
of the one who long ago in Nazareth called him,
"Abba. Abba Joseph."