

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 10, 2017

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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Weekend Collection

Weekend Collection: December 3, 2017

Attendance:	885	
Weekend Collection:	\$7,665.00	
Candles/Poor:	\$381.91	
WeShare:	\$2,051.82	
Total:	\$10,098.73	

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Presider Schedule

Weekend of December 16-17:

Our Lady of the Valley

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

Holy Cross

5:00pm	Father Wells
10:00am	Father Wells

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 10	8:00am	Caroline Connell Caucaglia & McGowan Families Irene Goodrich
	10:00am	Edward Parks Kevin Tinney Jennifer Williams
	12:00pm	Derrick J. Anderson Nancy De Luca Mary & Lucy Felice Joan & Robert Prumatico
Monday, December 11	7:30am	Renee Noudorff
Tuesday, December 12	7:30am	Marie Rzasa
<i>Miraculous Medal Novena to follow Mass on Tuesday</i>		
Wednesday, December 13	7:30am	Rosemarie Baumann
Thursday, December 14	7:30am	For the People
Friday, December 15	7:30am	Paul Liskay
Saturday, December 16	7:30am	For the People
	5:00pm	Walter Hughes Helen Merkel James Murray Diego Repice
Sunday, December 17	8:00am	Joseph Caputo Angelo & Sadie Scavone Alfred & Theresa Toscani
	10:00am	Gennaro Carpenito Gerard Farese Rose Loffredo Ed Parks
	12:00pm	Cathy Pavlica Frank Pavlica Sr. Kevin Tinney

Expectant Parents

The blessing of expectant parents will take place after all Masses **this weekend, December 9 – 10**. Please meet the priest or deacon at the baptismal font following Mass for this special blessing.



Second Sunday of Advent - December 10, 2017

Weekly Remembrance

This week the Sanctuary Lamp, 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:

Paul Liskay

From His Loving Wife

Faith Formation Program

Grades 1-8:

Sunday, December 17
8:30-9:45 and 10:30-11:45

Monday, December 18
7:00-8:15pm



Confirmation I:

THIS SUNDAY - December 10
9:30am—11:30am

Confirmation II:

THIS SUNDAY - December 10
1:15pm—2:45pm

Pastries and Pictures with Santa



The Knights of Columbus
proudly presents

Pastries and Pictures with Santa

Father Rugel Hall **TODAY** - **December 10**
10:00am to 2:00pm

Bring the children for pictures with Santa and light refreshments

Help decorate the Knights parish tree
Bring your camera or we can do it for you!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Parish's 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:

*Wilfredo Balbuena, Joseph Brucato Jr.,
Father Michael Burke, Louis Caprio,
Ralph Cicetti, Kathy Corrao,
Robert Darpino, Jason Dellavalle,
Flo Felano, Josephine Ganz,
Marie Liffers, Margaret Link,
Mary Maksuta, Gloria Minnocci,
Jenny Moskal, Andrew Potter,
Michael Renaldo, 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 earthly 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:

Anthony Joseph Rowek

Women's Organization

The OLV Women's Association will gather on Wednesday, December 13, at Sophra's for their Annual Christmas Get-together.

The luncheon begins at 12:30pm. All are welcome to join us.

For further information, call Sister Dorothy at 973-694-4585 x 7245.

Holy Spirit Fundraiser

COMEDY NIGHT

Saturday, January 6
Holy Spirit School Parish Center

Enjoy a night of laughter featuring New Jersey's Bad Boy MIKE MARINO. Doors open at 7:00pm. Show begins promptly at 8:30pm. Tickets are \$25 each (coffee and dessert included). Feel free to bring your own food, beer, wine, soda or any other beverage of your choice to have at your table.

For tickets call Holy Spirit School at 973-835-5680 (during school hours) or 862-228-3430 (evenings and weekends). To qualify for a special drawing, purchase tickets by January 1st. Only adults 21 and older will be permitted. This is a reserved seating event. All proceeds will benefit the 2018 graduating class of Holy Spirit School.

Holy Spirit Church
330 Newark Pompton Turnpike, Pequannock, NJ 07440.

Christmas Giving Tree

Our Annual Christmas Giving Tree has begun!



At the entrance of the church, there is a small basket filled with multi-colored tags that list the gift, which is requested by the agencies, that we assist. Please make sure the tag is securely fastened to the outside of the box or gift bag and we kindly remind you **NOT** to wrap any gift (as they will be unwrapped before each gift is given away).

Gifts may be dropped off in the school lobby at **Our Lady of the Valley** after Mass on this weekend:

December 9-10

Gifts can also be dropped off at the Parish Center's back porch during the week.

All the Christmas gifts will be delivered to the agencies on December 12-13.

Welcome to the WeShare family!

WeShare aspires to provide the highest level of security to safeguard the online information of you and your parishioners.

With the migration of ParishPay financial data to WeShare we are asking your parishioners to validate their account to ensure the security of that information.

Please note their current account settings and scheduled donations will continue without validation. However, they will need to validate to:

- Make any adjustment to their current account, including adding donations, changing their scheduled donations or changing credit card numbers (new payment source, expires or reissues).
- Refresh their passwords.
- Provide valid email addresses to support password resets as required.
- Receive email confirmation of successful transactions or any declined transactions.
- Conform to recognized security best practices.

Validating their account online is a simple process but it does require the parishioner to know specific information about their account.

We will also provide support to your parishioners at 800-950-9952 select *Option 1* or email **WeShare@4lpi.com**. However we cannot assist them with validation if they can't provide the requisite information.

If your parishioner does not have access to information needed to validate their account you may validate for them. Security protocols require that each parishioner be validated individually. You can do so by:

- Working with donors while they're in the User Validation Tool to help enter the appropriate information.
- You can also validate your parishioners within their account and send them a password reset (with a valid email address)
 - Go to Manage Users within your WeShare site.
 - Click on member's name to open account.
 - Click on Change Email Address if needed to add email.
 - Click on Reset Password button to send temporary password.

Christmas Flower Memorial Donations

It is a meaningful custom to make a donation in memory of a loved one towards the flowers and plants that decorate our worship space during the Christmas season. As you know, a list is published containing the names of the donors and the names of those remembered. Please, when you fill out the envelope **PLEASE PRINT THE NAMES LEDGIBLY**. Sometimes it is very difficult to decipher the names when they are written in script. Thank you.

Calling Young Musicians and Singers



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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.



Adults who would like to sing with the choir for our Christmas Eve Liturgy at 11:00pm are most welcome to join us.

Please see John after Mass or email him at john@peragallo.com.

OLV Music Ministry Announces

The 2017 Christmas Concert
Saturday December 16th at 7:30 pm

*Come to Our Lady of the Valley Church
And Experience a New York City tradition...*

The Many Sounds of Christmas

The Salvatones of NYC
Vocal Ensemble

New York Virtuosi
String orchestra

Daniel Brondel
Artistic Director, St. Patrick's Cathedral NYC

Holiday reception to follow
Tickets \$15 per person

Mass of Remembrance

The loss 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 at Our Lady of the Valley Church on **Sunday, December 17, at 2:00pm.**

At Mass we 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, please fill out the following form and drop it in the collection basket, or email Sister Dorothy directly at: Srdorothy@olvwayne.org, or call 973-694-4585x7245. If leaving a voicemail, please speak slowly and clearly the spelling of your loved ones names. Names must be submitted by December 12.

***"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

2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal

In Giving, We Receive

As you plan to celebrate the joy of the Christmas season by giving gifts to your friends and loved ones, there is one gift that you can give to tens of thousands of people. It does not require ten thousand name tags or ten thousand bows. All that's needed is a completed pledge card to the Bishop's Annual Appeal or an on-line gift at www.2017appeal.org. Say "Merry Christmas" to so many of your brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Paterson who need some hope and joy in their lives by participating in the Bishops Annual Appeal Today.

May God bless you for your generosity!

Spiritual Reflection

Receiving and Giving

God made planets and black holes and galaxy clusters and who knows what else and then bestowed the God-self upon every microscopic atom of this exhaustive creation. What a sharing.

Surely this would have been enough.

But the planets and asteroids were not able to know they were receiving God. They were unable to willingly love God in return for this creation. Their manner of reception was only their rough, craggy existence. They were (are) able to be only exactly what they were (are).

So God made a new beginning. God thought up a miraculously intricate trail by which something called life could come about. He chose (at least) a diminutive blue planet which circulated insignificantly around a very small star. This was what would later be understood—millions of years later—as residing in the Milky Way.

God then caused life to eke its way out of the seas onto the shore of this planet. Into amoebae, trees, chimps, underwater creatures, and more. Life chose as its home the highest mountains, the coldest specks of ice, the hottest flaming deserts, and even these original depths of oceans. As a mother loves her children, God loved this abundant “life.”

God enwrapped them in love, in which they basked—but did not know it. If you had taken one look at the dinosaurs and apes and fishes and birds, you would have seen that such a miraculous creation would have been enough.

But still there was room. God’s overflowing love discovered more space within all this. So God scooped out “openness” in various living creatures. These now could receive knowingly the affectionate love God was bestowing upon them, and, if they chose, could begin to give love back to God!

As a result, the human race—slowly, cumbrously inched into being. Don’t ask me the number of Cro-Magnon species that came about, or how hunting turned into farming and cooking, how weaving and building and fences and fire came onto the scene. They did. And God took time to deepen out the spiritual hollow inside these newly fashioned humans in which they could, even in fear and distraction, actually receive God’s love—not passively like a stone in the sun, but actively and knowingly, welcoming into themselves the beautiful gratuity of God’s life, love and presence.

You know the rest. We are those human beings. Each of us is able to “open” in this way, each standing at the apex of such a long history of God’s Spirit.

So, Advent is the treasured time to ask quietly, humbly, how we too can love in return. Will we take time to treasure this depth within ourselves? Will we let it thrive?

It would mean bringing the virtue called “patience” to bear on our nervous, often inconvenient, life. It would mean letting God’s presence be enough for us. It might even signify finding a new way of life. At a local level, couldn’t it mean celebrating at Mass in a new way, a way of patient listening and receiving instead of holding ready our watches so we can time the homily.

And that would be enough, would it not?

Maybe, but suppose that God’s tender love wanted to make its way out of the church and into the world? Wouldn’t that be a birth of the child Jesus in our lives? We would carry the love placed in our hearts out to families, friends, neighbors—whether poor or rich—because of God’s love.

And that would be enough.

John Foley, SJ