

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



December 25, 2016

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 December 18, 2016

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Thank you for your continued generosity!

Thank You's

THANK YOU to all for your generosity. We were successful in supplying 125 gifts to the children of St. Agnes's Parish.

THANK YOU to all poured their time, talent, muscles and Christmas Spirit into decorating our church. Your efforts are greatly appreciated by all.

Winter Warm-Up

Find a great bargain? Like to knit or crochet? Here is your chance to pay it forward. The Holy Cross Winter Warm-Up runs through February. Please drop off **NEW** socks, gloves, hats, scarves or other warm clothing.

Weekly Mass Intentions

December 31 5:00pm For the People

January 1 10:00am Helen & Michael
Leonard

Presider this weekend is Father Wells

Presiders at Our Lady of the Valley are as follows:

5:00pm Father Michael Lee

8:00am No Mass

10:00am Father Peter Filipkowski

12:00noon Father Peter Filipkowski

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,
Rev. Michael Burke, Louis Caprio, Ralph Cicetti,
Robert Darpino, Carole DeSimone,
Flo Felano, Josephine Ganz, John Giannini. Dave
Hesson, Marie Liffers, Mary Maksuta, Gloria Min-
nocci, James Murray, Michael
Renaldo, Ann Russo, Kristen Sedlacik and
Michael Waldinger

*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*
Pray for the Dead:

Mrs. Fay Rusconi

(Mother of the Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Rusconi)

Deacon Edward Whelan, Jr.

The Light of the World is come!

This Christmas Season let us give and receive ,

Mercy, Love , & Compassion .

Peace and Good Will to

ALL people !

Your Knights of Columbus wish all a safe and

Blessed Christmas

Christmas — December 25, 2016

Sixteen Days of Christmas!

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus, and there is more to Christmas than just one day. This year, in fact, because of the way the calendar falls, there are sixteen days of Christmas. But what about the 'Twelve Days of Christmas' song with all the gifts you ask? That was based upon the tradition of the Feast of Epiphany (The Feast of Three Kings) always being celebrated on January 6 as it is still done in some countries. But in many countries, including the United States, Epiphany is now celebrated on the Sunday following January 1, New Year's Day and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.

This year because Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Sundays, the Christmas season liturgically will be the shortest period of days that it can be. Normally we would celebrate Holy Family on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year's Day and the Baptism of the Lord on the Sunday following the Epiphany. This year if we did celebrate them all on Sundays we would be celebrating Christmas until almost the end of January. Holy Family will be celebrated on Friday, December 30, Epiphany of the Lord be celebrated on January 7-8.

The Christmas season liturgically will come to a close with the celebration of Evening Prayer on the Feast of the Baptism of Lord, that is, Monday, 9.

For many years, the birthday of Jesus was celebrated on January 6, as some traditional carols and customs still suggest. The English carol "The Cherry Tree," for example, has a verse in which Jesus says, "The sixth day of January my birthday shall be, when the stars and the elements shall tremble with glee."

Christmas, the Feast of Three Kings and the Baptism of the Lord are all Epiphanies. All are manifestations of Jesus' identity to the public. On Christmas he is revealed to the lowly shepherds as the "King of the Jews." On Epiphany he is revealed to the gentile Magi as the King of the entire world. With the Baptism of the Lord, God proclaims him the beloved Son before the witnesses to the baptism.

Celebrate the sixteen days of Christmas to the fullest. Celebrate with friends and family, with your family's special recipes and treats and customs, with music and song.

Father Wells

Faith Formation

Grades 1-8:

Sunday, January 22, 29
8:30-9:45 and 10:30-11:45

Monday, January 23, 30
7:00-8:15pm



Confirmation I:

Sunday, January 8
9:30am—11:30am

Confirmation II:

Sunday, January 8
1:15pm—2:45pm



Confirmation 11 Parents

There will be a mandatory meeting for Parents of Confirmation II students (2nd year) on **Sunday, January 8, 2017, at 2:15pm.**

At least one parent is required to attend in order to receive time sensitive materials for the upcoming Sacrament of Confirmation.

We ask that you please be in Father Rugel Hall at 2:15pm. The meeting will last approximately 30 minutes and students will be dismissed into the hall from their classes at the end of the meeting.