

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



October 8, 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 September 24, 2017

Weekend Collection:	\$1,601.00
Parish Pay:	\$214.40
Total Collection:	\$1,815.40
Mass Attendance:	130

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus's 3rd Annual Red Cross blood drive will be held on Sunday, October 15, from 9:00am—2:00pm Father Rugel Hall. With the devastating events, the need for blood is overwhelming! Helping our neighbors is a cornerstone of our Faith. If you have any questions or wish to sign up, please contact Vincent A. Disteso Grand Knight at distesov@optonline.net.

Expectant Parents

The blessing of expectant parents will take place after all Masses **this weekend, October 7-8**. Please meet the priest or deacon at the baptismal font following Mass for this special blessing which occurs monthly.

In Honor of St. Francis

During the month of October, our parish Youth Group will be collecting donations of any kind for local animal shelters. Items can be brought by the teens to the Youth Group meetings which are held on Wednesday's from 7:00pm-8:30pm or parishioners can drop off donations on the back porch of the parish center. Please join the youth of our parish in this special event to help our furry friends.

Weekly Mass Intentions

October 7 —5:00pm Michael Priore
October 8 —10:00am For the People

October 14 —5:00pm Debbie Petkovich
October 15 —10:00am For the People

Presider this weekend is Father Peter

Our Lady of the Valley

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

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:

*Wilfredo Balbuena, Joseph Brucato Jr.,
Father Michael Burke, Louis Caprio,
Nicholas Chanda, 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, Patricia Smith,
Paul Tafuri, 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:

*Caroline Connell
Rose Marie Johnson
Edward Robert Halat
Thomas James Nagy
Kevin Tinney*

Parish Center

In observance of Columbus Day, the Parish Center will be closed on Monday, October 9. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, October 10, at 9:00am.

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time — October 8, 2017

“In Giving We Receive.”

Many members of our parish community have received, or will soon receive a letter from Bishop Serratelli requesting our support for the 2017 Bishop’s Annual Appeal.

The Bishop’s Annual Appeal is conducted to provide day-to-day operational funding for ministries throughout our Diocese of Paterson.

Today’s Gospel tells of a landowner who tended a vineyard with love and care and then leased it out to tenants. When it was time for the landowner to receive the fruits of the harvest, those leasing the bountiful land lashed out and attacked, wanting to keep the treasure for themselves. It is a reminder that, from the very moment of our existence, God has planted the seeds of our creative and abundant nature. He has blessed and nurtured each of us with different talents and gifts and abilities. Rather than hoard these gifts from God for ourselves, we are called to share them with others in gratitude and thanksgiving.

How do we pay homage to God in thanksgiving for all of our blessings? One very concrete and visible way is to share them with joy. This sharing can take many forms. Many of our faithful volunteer here in our parish and throughout our community. Many share their talents by helping fulfill the mission of their favorite charity. Many still financially support the parish and other worthy institutions. These acts of charity are blessings not only to the recipients, but also to the ones who are giving back. In keeping with the theme of this year’s 2017 Bishop’s Annual Appeal, ***In Giving, We Receive***, you are urged to share your financial blessings by making a pledge in support of the Appeal and those who are served each year.

The Appeal funds our **Catholic Charities Agencies**. These agencies offer a wide variety of services, including: day care and extended day care for working poor families; assisted transportation for the elderly and medically fragile; individual and family counseling; emergency food bank; adult day care; housing and case management for persons with HIV/AIDS; group homes for adults with disabilities; Family Support and case management for families with developmentally and intellectually disabled adults; after-school and summer programs; clothing pantries; substance abuse counseling; housing repairs for senior citizens; Meals on Wheels for seniors and the disabled, to mention just a few of their many services.

With the help of the Bishop’s Annual Appeal last year, much was done to support **Catholic education**. Over the years millions of dollars have been allocated to many of our most needy elementary schools for such purposes as technology and capital needs like new windows and school desks, roof replacement, HVAC upgrades, etc. The appeal also helps fund financial aid to assist families to afford Catholic school education.

The Annual Appeal also helps to **fund the education of our seminarians** and **Nazareth Village, our diocesan priests’ retirement residence** in Chester. This is especially important since the number of seminarians has increased dramatically in recent years, along with the cost of their formation. The Appeal helps both of these groups: those who are preparing for a lifetime of service to the Church and those who have faithfully served for decades.

The parish goal for Our Lady of the Valley this year is \$50,390.00 and the goal for Holy Cross is \$13,230.00. These goals are the same as in 2016, there has been no increase.

As in the past, half of the amount received **over our parish goal** will be returned to our parish for our own needs. Not only does the Appeal support many worthwhile ministries throughout our diocese, it will also help our own parish if we reach and exceed our goal. All funds raised in our Diocese of Paterson stay in the Paterson Diocese!

We can all be proud of the work going on in our Diocese: helping people in profound need, making a residence for our retired priests who have served us for decades, giving assistance to inner-city area schools that serve many economically disadvantaged students and educating seminarians who will one day serve us.

If you have received a letter from the Bishop, please prayerfully consider what you can pledge, and respond as soon as possible. All of us are asked to support our parish. Prayerfully reflect on the generosity of God in your life and decide upon a suitable gift that reflects your gratitude. Each gift should represent a gift given in thanksgiving for what God has given us and continues to give to each of us every day. Remember that each day is God’s gift to you. What you do with it is your “thank you” to God.

Our IN-PEW COMMITMENT WEEKEND will take place October 14-15 at Our Lady of the Valley and October 21-22 at Holy Cross.

Father Peter Wells
Pastor

Father Peter Filipkowski
Parochial Vicar

Rite of Christian Initiation

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? Are you a Catholic adult who has not received the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation? If you know someone who might be interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, please share this invitation with them. For further information call Sister Dorothy at 973-694-4585 Ext. 7245 or email at SrDorothy@olvwayne.org.

Faith Formation News

Grades 1-8:

Sunday, October 15, 22, 29
8:30am-9:45am
10:30am-11:45am

Monday, October 2, 16, 23, 30
7:00-8:15pm

Confirmation I:

TODAY—SUNDAY, October 8, 2017
9:30am—11:30am

Confirmation II:

TODAY—SUNDAY, October 8, 2017
1:15pm—3:30pm

*Note: Confirmation II

Special Time for this session only

Holy Name Society

Help Eva's Kitchen

Next weekend, October 14-15, representatives from the Holy Name Society will be accepting monetary donations to assist the work of Eva's Kitchen in Paterson. Eva's Kitchen and Sheltering programs are under the auspices of Catholic Charities of our Diocese of Paterson.

Women's Association

The Our Lady of the Valley Women's Association will host "A Coffee and"... on Wednesday, October 11, at 1:30pm in the parish center. At this session, there will be a lecture from a professional from St. Joseph Hospital who will address the topic of reducing your risk for falls. New comers are welcome. Plan to join us. For further information contact Sister Dorothy at 973-694-4585 x 7245.