

# Our Lady of the Valley 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 4, 2018

## **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: February 25, 2018**

Attendance:	945	
Weekend Collection:	\$8,079.50	
Ash Wednesday/Other:	155.00	
Candles/Poor:	\$282.05	
WeShare:	\$2,564.78	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$11,081.33</b>	

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

## Presider Schedule

**Weekend of March 10-11:**

### 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, March 4	8:00am	Herbert Sita Theresa Toscani Rose Trivigno
	10:00am	Vincent Caropreso Anthony Giannini Donald Merritt
	12:00pm	Fred Akel Nancy DeLuca Irene King
Monday, March 5	7:30am	John Fierro Jack Haddad William Kievit, Jr. Janina Wiszowaty
Tuesday, March 6	7:30am	Nancy O'Flaherty <i>Miraculous Medal Novena to follow Mass on Tuesday</i>
Wednesday, March 7	7:30am	For the People
Thursday, March 8	7:30am	For the People
Friday, March 9	7:30am	For the People
Saturday, March 10	7:30am	For the People
	5:00pm	Mary Considine Grace Terranova Paul Tone
Sunday, March 11	8:00am	Joseph Caputo Gaetano & Angelina Ferraro
	10:00am	Alfred Graf Sr. Anne & Carmen Russo Woodward Family (Special Intention)
	12:00pm	Fred Akel Bobby Cooke Family of Kindl Robert Vanas

## Partners In Faith Campaign

Our Lady of the Valley Parish has received from our Diocese of Paterson a check in the amount of **\$14,423.75**, a rebate check from the Partners in Faith Campaign. Parishes received disbursement amounts to 25% of all unrestricted cash gifts received up to a parish goal and 60% of unrestricted cash gifts received over-goal. This is the fifth rebate check the parish has received. The total amount returned to the parish over the past five years is **\$118,422.50**. We gratefully acknowledge and thank the generosity of our parishioners to the Partners in Faith Campaign.

## Third Sunday of Lent - March 4, 2018

## From the Little Sisters of the Poor

A quick note to again thank you for the opportunity to ask financial aid from the parishioners of Our Lady of the Valley. They have been very generous. Initially the amount received was over \$2,500.00! Some more may come in as those who took envelopes will be sending us their donation by mail.

Be assured of our prayers as we begin Lent.

Gratefully,  
Sister Lorraine, LSP  
Sister Cecilia, LSP

## Women's Association

The Our Lady of the Valley Women's Association will gather on Wednesday, March 14, at 1:30pm in the Parish Center. Refreshments will be served.

All are welcome.

## Expectant Parents

The blessing of expectant parents will take place after all Masses next weekend, March 10-11.

Please meet the priest or deacon at the baptismal font following Mass for this



## 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, Chris Camp,  
Louis Caprio, Ralph Cicetti, Kathy Corrao,  
Robert Darpino, Jason Dellavalle, Flo Felano,  
Josephine Ganz, Marie Liffers, Mary Maksuta,  
Rosa Malfa, 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*



## A Special Lenten Fast

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| Fast from using harsh words... | USE POSITIVE ONES MEN AND WOMEN NEED TO HEAR.        |
| Fast from unhappiness...       | TAKE UP GRATITUDE.                                   |
| Fast from anger...             | TAKE UP GENTLENESS AND PATIENCE.                     |
| Fast from pessimism...         | TAKE UP HOPE AND OPTIMISM.                           |
| Fast from worrying...          | TAKE UP TRUST IN GOD.                                |
| Fast from jealousy...          | VALUE WHAT YOU HAVE.                                 |
| Fast from lying...             | TAKE UP HONESTY.                                     |
| Fast from judging others...    | SEE JESUES IN THEM.                                  |
| Fast from bitterness...        | FILL YOUR HEART WITH JOY.                            |
| Fast from selfishness...       | TAKE UP COMPASSION FOR OTHERS.                       |
| Fast from being unforgiving... | LEARN RECONCILIATION.                                |
| Give up words...               | FILL YOURSELF WITH SILENCE.<br>AND LISTEN TO OTHERS. |

## 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.

## Living Stations of The Cross

The Our Lady of the Valley Youth will once again be presenting the Living Stations on Good Friday, March 30, for our parish.

**We are in need of one or two teens to help with lighting.** This will count as service hours for Confirmation students. Rehearsals will be Sunday evenings. Also, if any teens want to use their gift of song to help us, you may sing in the chorus or a solo.

Please contact Judi at 973-694-4585 ext. 7208.

## Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

In Burkina Faso, we encounter Safiata, a mother, grandmother and farmer who relies on the money she makes from her crops to put her children through school. How can our purchases this Lent support farmers and artisans? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.

## Welcome Home to Healing

Once again this year, the parishes of our Diocese of Paterson will 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 the following Mondays:

March 5  
March 12  
March 19



## 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.

## St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Annual Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day Dinner  
**Saturday, March 10 - 7:00pm—11:00pm**  
Father Rugel Hall

Tickets \$35

Traditional Irish Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner  
\*\*Pasta & Chicken dinners will be available\*\*  
Water, Soda & Coffee and entertainment provided  
BYOB

Proceeds will support Marrinan/McNiece College Scholarship program; Cash donations accepted if unable to attend the dinner.

For more information, contact John Scibetta at [jasscibetta@yahoo.com](mailto:jasscibetta@yahoo.com) or 862-221-4885.

## Faith Formation Registration

For all Faith Formation classes  
(including Confirmation)

Registration for all Faith Formation classes will be held in March. Our registrations are held in person; we offer three meetings on various days at varied times in hopes of accommodating your schedules. **Please note:** This is a mandatory meeting in Father Rugel Hall. One parent/guardian must be present to register their child. This is for all students who will be in grades 1-10 beginning in September 2018. The dates and times are as follows:

Thursday, March 8 at 7:00pm  
Saturday, March 10 at 10:00am  
Wednesday, March 14 at 4:00pm

We respectfully request that you be on time for these meetings and stay for the entire meeting. All meetings take place in Father Rugel Hall.

## Faith Formation Program

### Grades 1-8:

Sunday - March 4, 18, 25  
8:30am - 9:45am and 10:30am - 11:45am

Monday, March 5, 19, 26

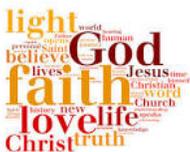
7:00pm-8:15pm  
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### Confirmation I:

Sunday, March 11  
9:30am—11:30am

### Confirmation II:

Sunday, March 11  
1:15pm—2:45pm



## Social Ministry Corner

Do you have a family member or friend who is gay or lesbian? Would you like to have a better understanding on the church's teachings on this? Would you like resources to learn more about this topic? If you've answered "yes" to any of these questions, or have additional questions about the LGBT community and the Catholic Church, you are invited to call Deacon Vince at 862-264-2134, or feel free to speak with him directly after Mass. All calls/inquiries will be strictly confidential.

## 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](mailto: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.

## Spiritual Reflection

### Why So Angry?

Ready for a shocking picture of Jesus? The gentle savior has turned violent. This Sunday he erupts into unrestrained anger when he sees people vending oxen, sheep, and doves right within the temple, sees money-changers doing business within God's own house!

Not only is this unlike the Jesus we know, but doesn't it violate the holy workings of the temple? These trades-people were selling animals simply because living animals were needed for burnt offerings. People had to get their sacrifices from somewhere. And they had to get their money changed, since so many of them came from lands with different currencies. Sounds quite reasonable doesn't it?

Not to Jesus. He screams, "You are desecrating my Father's temple!" He grabs some cords and yanks them into a knot. He whips the vendors. Whips them! Quite a terrible sight. And he heaves into an unholy mess on the floor the carefully sorted coins, and then finishes up by hurling the tables into the chaos he has created!

How in the world does such fury coincide with the quiet, humble Jesus we see in Holy Week? There he will say barely a word, even though his enemies will be violating the Father's holiest temple of all, Jesus' very self.

What is going on?

Some external reasons for his vehemence are evident.

Vendors were allowed only in the courtyard of the temple, not inside where they now had positioned themselves. And the dishonest practices of outdoor market-places had stolen their way into the temple. The thumb on the scale, the inflated prices, all of that.

There is another, internal reason which is much more important. Jesus knew with blessed certainty what human beings were created to be. We are made to be filled with God's presence, to be beloved by God and to love God in return. We are most ourselves when we are not entrapped by riches honor and pride. We are designed to "let go and let God." Jesus was overwhelmed when he saw sellers winking at these Godly values, preferring cold cash, and cheating for it—at the dead center of sacred space.

Everything had been turned upside down.

During Holy Week, why did he react so very differently? Why was he silent then? Because by then Jesus had come to understand the depths of his mission, which was not just to do social action—as he had done in the temple scene—not just to cure the people miraculously, not just to preach from the hillsides. He saw that he must be unified with our death as well as our life, must unite with us in the terrible hurts we get from each other. Only then could he show how very close and loving God is.

Wrath for sure can be an understandable and just reaction to selfishness and greed. The merchants were seeking short-term profit at the expense of freedom, holiness, truth, and the completion of the human spirit. Worse, they were foisting all this upon the people Jesus had come to save. So he hurled himself against the blind money grubbers. His emotion was real and quite impressive. But by contrast, on the cross he would empty himself out. He would surrender everything, including his fury.

Wouldn't such a surrender cancel out the grubbing of the money changers? And of us?

John Foley, SJ