

# Our Lady of the Valley Church

630 Valley Road - Wayne - New Jersey - 07470 - [www.olvwayne.org](http://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)*



## Schedule of Masses

### Weekdays

Monday - Saturday 7:30 a.m.

### Weekends

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.  
and 12:00 Noon

## Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

1:00 pm. - 5:00 p.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

## Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage & Personal Appointments

Please call the Parish Office

***Remember Our Lady of the Valley Church in Your Will***

## OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY

**Rev. Peter VB. Wells, Pastor**  
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**Rev. Duberney Villamizar, Parochial Vicar**  
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**Deacon Vincent Cocilovo**  
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**Sister Dorothy Dee, SSJ, Pastoral Associate**  
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### TRUSTEES OF THE PARISH

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**Mark Peischl**  
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**Pastoral Advisory Board**  
pastoralcouncil@olvwayne.org

## PRAYER SHAWLS

Prayer Shawls can be given to anyone for many reasons! Comfort, illness, occasions, friendship & joy. If there is anyone that would like to receive a shawl or request one for someone, please contact Sister Dorothy at 973-694-4585 x7245.

## ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

Third Sunday of Lent

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Donations:	\$3,933.00	\$7,376.67
Candles/Poor:	\$201.00	\$331.00
WeShare:	\$2,170.57	\$2,679.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$6,304.57</b>	<b>\$10,386.67</b>
Attendance:	266	856

*As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.  
(1 Peter 4:8-10)*



## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

All Masses have been suspended until further notice.

## PARISH WEBSITE

Please note that all updates from the Diocese of Paterson will be placed on our website at [www.olvwayne.org](http://www.olvwayne.org).

Mass will be videotaped on Saturday evening and posted on our website.

## PARISH EVENTS

All parish events are cancelled at this time. Welcome Home to Healing and Stations of the Cross are currently suspended in church.

At this time, church is open for private prayer.

## PRAYER OF POPE FRANCIS FOR PROTECTION AND HELP

O Mary,  
you always shine on our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain,  
keeping your faith firm.  
You know what we need,  
and we are sure you will provide  
so that,  
as in Cana of Galilee,  
we may return to joy  
and to feasting  
after this time of trial.  
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who has taken upon himself our sufferings  
and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the  
cross,  
to the joy of the resurrection.  
Amen.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 22, 2020

## PARISH 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:

Gregory Bertoline	Gerard Anthony Gagliano
Kathy Corrao	Freddy De Almeida
Florence Gut	Paul Wilczewski
Barry Koerber	Joe Scuralli
Pippin Llanes	Michael Waldinger
Marie Moore	Ronald Maggio
Jenny Moskal	Roger Rigolli
Debbie Sleeman	Glenn Vvolo
Gary VanSteyn	Edward LaBarre
Pat VanSteyn	Tony Campiglia
Kathy Krause	Aldo Giordano
Al Soltis	

NOTE: In order to be added to our prayer list, a member of the immediate family should request a person's name be added. The current names will remain on the list until the beginning of May.

*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:

*Rose Marie Gibbs  
Florence Gut*



## WEEKLY REMEMBRANCE

This week the Sanctuary Lamp which 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:

*Eileen Giannelli*  
From her Loving Family

## MEET MARIA ANA

Maria Ana and her brothers receive one meal a day at school, so that they can focus on achieving their dreams. How was education important for your future? How can you/we ensure that all young people have a chance to be educated? Visit [csrricebowl.org](http://csrricebowl.org) for more.

## FAITH FORMATION

Pending change of direction from Diocese. Please check our website for updates.

### Grades 1-8:

Sunday, April 19, 26  
8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.  
10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.



### Grades 5-8:

Monday, April 20, 27  
7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

### Confirmation I:

Sunday, May 17  
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

### Confirmation II:

Sunday, May 17  
1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

**Please have students arrive on time!**

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Parish Registration is necessary for all individual persons and families who worship with us on Sundays and who intend to participate in the life of our parish with their time, talent and treasures. For more information, please contact the Parish Office or log onto our website. **Registration is necessary to celebrate Marriage and Baptism here, as well as for receiving Sponsor Certificates.**

## PARISH FESTIVAL

Please send your Super 50/50 tickets in! YOU can help us reach (or exceed) our goal! Our Super 50/50 raffle is already over \$7,000.

For additional Super 50/50 tickets, please call the Parish office at (973) 694-4585 x7200.

As the saying goes..."you got to be in it, to win it!"



## ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

If 19 years or older and would like information regarding the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Sister Dorothy at 973-694-4585 x7245 or email Sister Dorothy at [Srdorothy@olwayne.org](mailto:Srdorothy@olwayne.org). Preparation Classes will be held on Wednesday, April 15, April 22, April 29, May 6, May 20, and May 27 from 7:15 PM to 8:30 PM. The Sacrament will be conferred on Sunday, May 31.

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

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. All calls/inquiries will be strictly confidential.

## ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH

Is God calling you to make a difference in someone's life? Consider volunteering as a Eucharistic Minister at St. Joseph's Wayne Medical Center! If interested, please call Sister Pat at (973) 754-2061.

## PART-TIME DRE

Immaculate Heart of Mary parish has an opening for a part-time DRE effective July 1, 2020. Qualified applicants should contact Father Michael Parisi at [parishsec@ihmwaynenj.org](mailto:parishsec@ihmwaynenj.org) or call 973-694-3400.

## MARRINAN/MCNIECE SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are available at the church entrance for the Marrinan/McNiece Scholarship. The Knights will be selecting two worthy candidates for scholarships of \$3,000 each. Scholarship applications are due back by May 31. All graduating high school seniors from either Our Lady of the Valley or Holy Cross churches who are registered parishioners and who will be attending a college or university in the fall of 2020 are eligible.

## PARISH MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

Adoration Chapel	Theresa Ballard
Altar Servers	Jennifer Daudelin
Baptism Preparation	Sister Dorothy Dee, SSJ
Bereavement Ministry	Sister Dorothy Dee, SSJ
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Clare Clark
Church 'Cleaning Crew'	Linda Campiglia
Eucharistic Ministers	Jim DeLuccia
Eva's Kitchen Volunteers	Chung Wallace
Faith Formation	Judi Cocilovo
Festival Committee	Matthew Cavallo
Finance Committee	William Murphy
Funeral Ministry	Kathryn Krause
Holy Name Society	David Hall
Knights of Columbus	Alex Hodor
Lectors	Mark Peischl
Music	John Peragallo
Pastoral Advisory Board	James Meringer
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Elaine Mingo
Queen of Peace Prayer Group	Julia Rogacki
R.C.I.A.	Sister Dorothy Dee, SSJ
Sacred Linens	Judi Meo
Scripture Study	Maureen Kolis
Scouts:	
Boy:	Dr. Henry Madalian
Cub:	James Koppenal
Social Ministry	Deacon Vincent Cocilovo
Ushers	Joseph Campbell
Wedding Ministry	Lois Nolan
Women's Cornerstone	TBD

For further information and to be in contact with any of these ministries, please contact the Parish Office.

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## SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

### Eye Witness

Jesus makes clay on the Sabbath, with his own spittle (what an earthy detail!). He sends the man who was born blind to wash in the “*Pool of Siloam*.”

The man comes back, now able to see, but Jesus had moved on. Where is he? The man admits, “I do not know.”

Neighbors wonder if sighted person could be that blind fellow who used to sit and beg? No, it cannot be him. But it looks like him. And so on.

Unbelieving Pharisees join in.

They quote the law,

“Thou shall keep the Sabbath holy.”

“This fellow tried to work a miracle on the Sabbath day and therefore he is a sinner and cannot be from God.”

“Therefore he could not possibly work a miracle.”

“If the man can now see, then he was never blind in the first place!”

An easy conclusion.

They summon this man’s parents, who say honestly that, in fact, their son had actually been blind from birth! Someone must have cured him! But the rulers are resolved not to recognize Jesus as a miracle worker. They bring the man back and ask a cynical question, as if they were believers: “How did he open your eyes?”

The man replied,

I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too? (Gospel)

A tart and humorous reply. The Pharisees are of course outraged and they start to insult the formerly blind man. They have not listened and are themselves blinded by what might happen if they admit the truth—like losing their seat of power and influence.\*

In our Gospel account, the truth was simple:

Jesus gave depth of sight to a man born blind.

Our lesson? That the works of God were made visible through this blind man. Jesus says that is the purpose of the blindness in the first place.

The man who was blind puts it this way:

“I do believe, Lord.”

It is not just his physical eyesight that was at stake. His heart had been healed.

You can see why this reading is cited during Lent. Easter will present us with the greatest healing in history, and we need to prepare for it. Jesus himself will suffer from the blindness of the world and will die. By his death the world will be healed from its hatred and fear, its suffering and evil, cured by an event that is as quiet as blindness. He will descend into the unseeing darkness of death and by doing this he will prove that *love is stronger than death*.

Who can see or understand such an event? Not you or me if we are like the story’s Pharisees. We will be distracted by our need for whatever is driving us at the moment: need to control others, to be in charge. What if they had seen this blind man through unclouded eyes? With wonder and awe? Couldn’t they have beheld the miracle?

Well, so can we.

Let us be like the blind man. Let us admit that we cannot see. Then pray to have our eyes opened.

Maybe we will glimpse God’s answer to blindness and suffering and sin!

John Foley, SJ

\* Please note: This story is not to be taken as a condemnation of Jews or the officials. All of us are Jews (as was Jesus) and all of us sin.