

Our Lady of the Valley Church

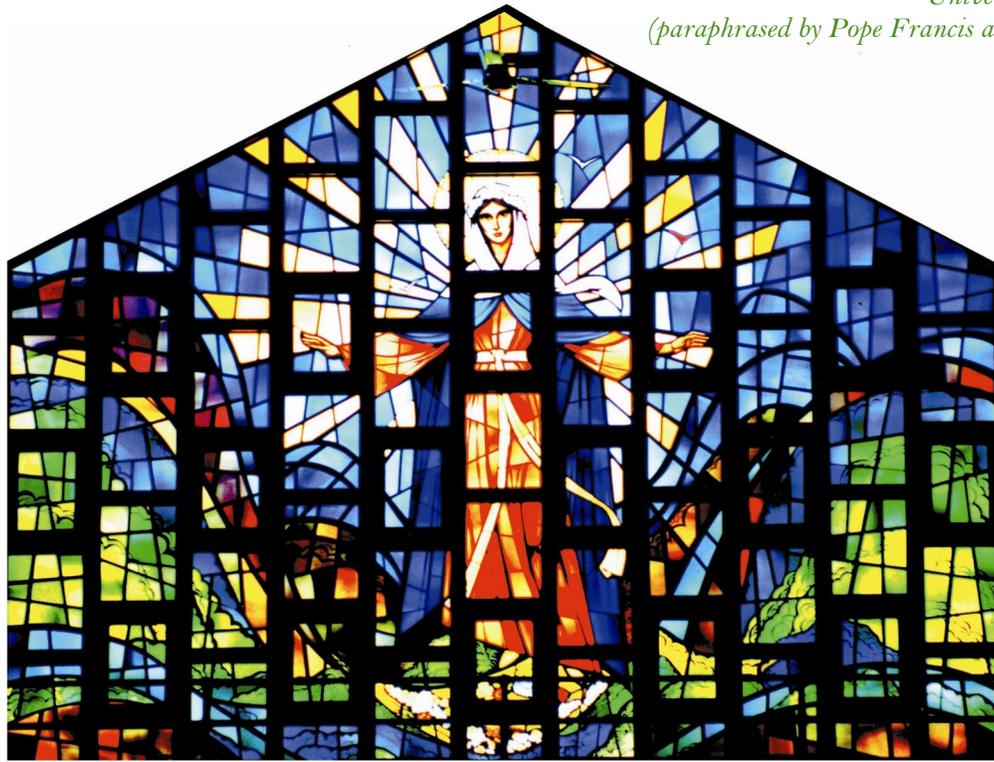
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**“The Church is Holy, not just because all are welcome.
The Church is Holy, because all belong.”**

*Timothy M. Matovina
University of Notre Dame*

(paraphrased by Pope Francis at General Audience)



Schedule of Masses

Weekdays

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m.

Weekends

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 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

Saturday - 12:00 p.m. in Church

or by appointment

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

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PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Weekend of October 10 - 11:

Our Lady of the Valley

5:00pm Father Duberney
8:00am Father Wells
12:00 Noon Father Wells

Holy Cross

10:00am Father Duberney

ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

Attendance October 3/4: 249

Stewardship totals are not available. We prayerfully request considering WeShare during this time or mailing envelopes into the office.

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



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 12	9:00am	Barry & Marcia Collins
Tuesday, October 13	9:00am	Daniel Chagnon (Special Intention) Lynn Sarchio Diana Vega
Wednesday, October 14	9:00am	Elvia Gerardino
Thursday, October 15	9:00am	Albert Cocilovo Irene Kievit
Friday, October 16	9:00am	Patrick Lyons
Saturday, October 17	5:00pm	Dr. Jack Magnifico Barbara Preziosi Raymond Solowski Ciro Spinella
Sunday, October 18	8:00am	Robert Karstans Frank Pavlica, Sr. Helen Stober
	12:00pm	Anthony Giannini Paul Liskay Angelo Parlegreco Libero Rubbo

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 12. We will return to the office on Tuesday, October 13, at 9:00 a.m.

MASS INTENTION BOOK

The Mass is the central act of worship in the Church. The reason that this tradition has been passed on for centuries is because of the many spiritual fruits that result from this form of prayer. The celebration of the Eucharist is the highest form of worship in the Catholic Church because we unite ourselves with Christ's sacrifice on the cross in worship of his Father.

St. John Paul II emphasized the graces that come when a Mass is offered. "The Church believes that she will be heard, for she prays in union with Christ her Head and Spouse, who takes up this plea of His Bride and joins it to His own redemptive sacrifice."

Mass intentions are available for your deceased family and friends or special intentions for the living. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to schedule a Mass or the Sanctuary Lamp, bread and wine offered at the weekend liturgy.

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - OCTOBER 11, 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:

<i>Gregory Bertoline</i>	<i>Michael Waldinger</i>
<i>Kathy Corrao</i>	<i>Roger Rigolli</i>
<i>Barry Koerber</i>	<i>Edward LaBarre</i>
<i>Jenny Moskal</i>	<i>Gloria Dykstra</i>
<i>Debbie Sleeman</i>	<i>Marilyn Beneventine</i>
<i>Gary VanSteyn</i>	<i>Tom Beneventine</i>
<i>Pat VanSteyn</i>	<i>Donald Boman</i>
<i>Paul Wilczewski</i>	<i>Gloria Keenan</i>

UPDATED 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 end of November.

*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:

William A. Dagion
Susanne V. McGarry



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:

Paul Tone

From the Seminara Family

2020 DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

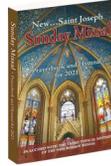
"Love Thy Neighbor"



One of the benefits of giving to our Diocesan Ministries Appeal is the knowledge that the funds stay in our own Diocese and only support important needs in Morris, Passaic and Sussex counties. This local connection means that you may be helping your next-door neighbor, a former pastor now living in our priests' retirement residence, the store owner you see each day as you shop in town—perhaps even a family member. What better way to "Love Thy Neighbor"? *For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2020appeal.org.*

ST. JOSEPH'S MISSALS

NEW PROCESS THIS YEAR!!



To prepare for our new liturgical year, we will be offering our parishioners the opportunity to order copies of the new St. Joseph Missal, \$3 each.

1. **Place order** by calling Alyson in the parish office at (973) 694-4585 x7200. **All requests for a book must be received by Friday, November 6.** No late orders will be able to be accommodated.
2. **Payment** can be brought to the parish office, left in the drop box on the back porch, put in the collection basket, or mailed to the parish office.
3. **Pick-up** will be from the parish office. You will be notified when the books are ready for pick-up.

A LENDING HAND...

If you are in need or know someone in need of assistance with Thanksgiving dinner this year, we can provide you with a Thanksgiving Basket for you and your family. Please reach out directly to Deacon Vince at (862) 264-2134. All requests are confidential.

2020 THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Diane Mollo Memorial Thanksgiving Food Drive

Diane and her husband Frank were very active parishioners in the Social Ministry with Deacon Vincent. When Diane died, this yearly memorial food drive was named in her loving memory by Deacon Vincent.

If you would like to continue Diane and Frank's tradition of feeding the hungry and helping those in most need, please contact Alyson in the Parish Center at (973) 694-4585 x7200 and let her know if you will be making a monetary donation or basket donation **no later than November 16.** Due to the pandemic, we are requesting you call this year. The food donation basket list can be found on the following page.

Food boxes/baskets should be delivered to Father Rugel Hall on Monday, **November 23**, between 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Thank you for your generosity to those in need.

THANKSGIVING BASKET FOOD LIST

We thank you for volunteering to donate a food box/basket to those in need. Food boxes/baskets *could* typically include any boxed or canned (non-perishable) items. We have listed some suggestions below, but feel free to include whatever your family enjoys having during the Thanksgiving holiday.

- Disposable aluminum roasting pan
- Can opener
- A *frozen* turkey (DO NOT DEFROST TURKEY)
- Boxed or bagged stuffing (such as Stove Top)
- Cans of candied yams or white potatoes or box of instant mashed potatoes
- Boxed or bagged pasta
- Boxed or bagged rice
- Cans of beans
- Cans or jars of cranberry sauce
- Cans of vegetables
- Cans or jars of applesauce
- Cans or jars of gravy
- Boxed brownie mix or cake mix or cookies
- Boxes of Jello or pudding
- Pies (already cooked, not frozen)
- Apples or oranges
- Nuts
- Bottles/Cans of soda or iced tea
- Apple juice or apple cider
- Dinner rolls

God Bless You for your generosity and kindness!



"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40

A PRAYER FOR THE ELECTION

James Martin, S.J.
October 6, 2020

Loving God, I ask you to guide me during this important election season:

Help me to understand the Gospels, in which Jesus Christ reveals his path of love, mercy and compassion, especially toward those who are poor, sick or struggling in anyway.

Instruct me on what the church teaches on the important issues of our day: abortion, racism, migration, war and peace, health care, the death penalty, economic justice, care for the environment and on all those questions that I must ponder with your help.

Enable me to form my conscience so that I may vote wisely.

Loving God, I ask you to help me to live peacefully with others:

Allow me to be open to the opinions of others with whom I disagree.

Fill me with a spirit of charity toward those who may oppose me.

Give me patience in times of struggle.

Loving God, I ask you to help me stand with those who are marginalized or persecuted:

Increase my courage so that I can stand up in times of danger.

Create in me a new heart that I might be brave in times of turmoil.

Make me someone who is ready to care for, advocate for and suffer with those on the margins.

Loving God, I ask you to aid our civic leaders:

Grant them good health and a spirit of wisdom.

Open to them paths of reconciliation.

Teach them your ways of love, mercy and compassion.

Loving God, I ask you to bless our nation:

Crown it with your compassion.

Support it with your care.

And nurture it with your love.

Amen.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

All Good Gifts

You probably saw *Babette's Feast*, or at least have heard about it. An impoverished fine cook from Paris makes her way into a small Danish town where the religion of the area made people hard and cold to each other, at least according to this movie, afraid to enjoy or even to relate to each other. Babette had only a small stash of possessions, but she was a top chef. So she prepared, over many days, a huge, delectable, exquisite feast, serving after serving, all for the uptight townspeople. As they began to taste and enjoy, they began also to communicate in kindness to each other. They even danced!

I have heard people say that the movie promoted self-indulgence, and I do not endorse such a thing. But I do notice similarities to the huge feast we hear about in the First Reading.

It is the famous invitation from the Lord of Hosts, full of unstinting promise. "A feast of rich food and choice wines," Isaiah says. A great feast, a "groaning board" in medieval England, just like the banquet in *Babette's Feast*.

Sunday's Gospel has a sumptuous feed too. The king gets his very best livestock fattened up, seasoned, readied for cooking, with invitations sent out. If you thought the people in Babette's town were reluctant, look what happened here. Some people refused outright to come. Others simply ignored the invitation as if it had not been given, and a number "laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them." The king punished these and then invited in street people.

Food is meant to be enjoyed, not refused.

But with so many people starving in today's world, how dare we fatten ourselves up with rich food and every other kind of riches? Shouldn't we much more becomingly abstain and deny ourselves? Isn't the "First World" currently fattening itself on food far more lavish than the ancient world could ever have imagined? Advertisements in the United States tell us we should luxuriate, should pamper ourselves, should not hold back. "Who says you can't have it all," they say. How are we to respond, we who try to be faithful to God and God's promises?

But remember that Jesus both fasted and feasted. He abstained from food for forty days at the beginning of his public ministry. But later on he said, "The Son of Man came eating and drinking and they said, 'Look, he is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners' (Mt. 11:19)." How would he have gotten such a reputation except by enjoying his times with others at meals?

Which is it for us, then, fasting or feasting?

I think the answer is simple yet difficult to grow into. I think we are meant to receive humbly and to give to others as well. The mistake is to adopt a stance of only receiving (getting, grabbing) or on the other hand, only giving (giving, with nothing in return). Sunday's readings invite us to come into the kingdom, to open up, eat, enjoy what is there.

To receive as Jesus did.

He went deep, accepting all things as coming from God's hand. Then, when it was time to let go of it all—life, friends, peace and possessions—he did that with love.

Receive and give. Jesus wants us to receive his life and then give it out to the world.

John Foley, SJ