

Our Lady of the Valley Church

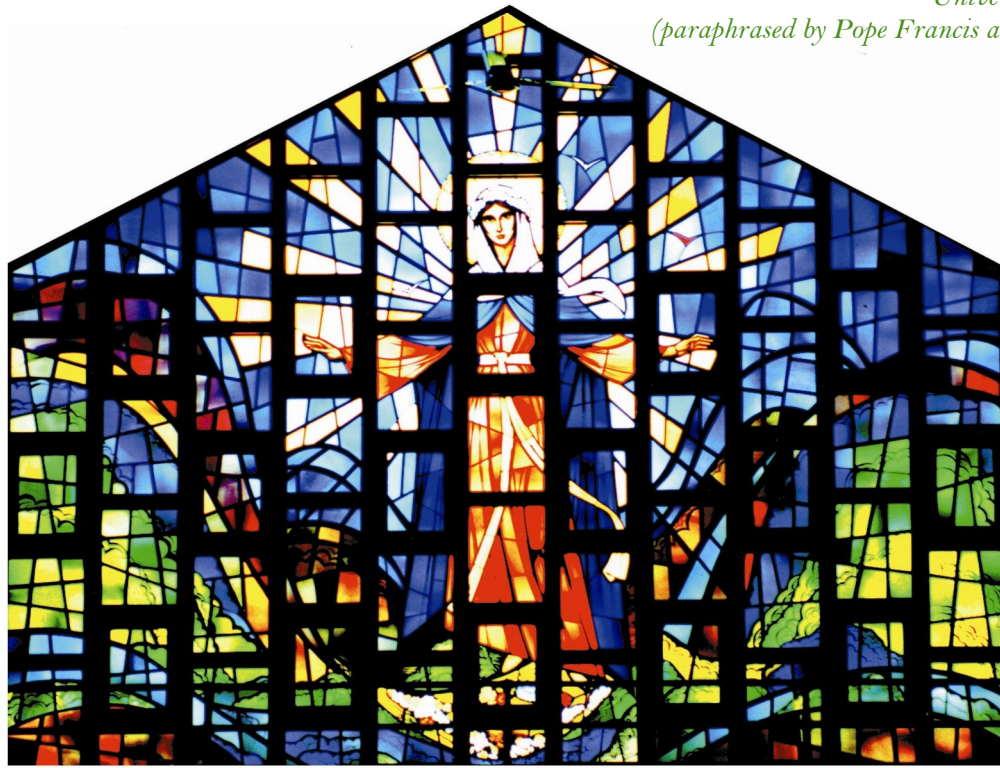
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**“The Church is Holy, not just because all are welcome.
The Church is Holy, because all belong.”**

*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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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 16	9:00am	For the People
Tuesday, November 17	9:00am	Daniel Chagnon <i>(Special Intention)</i> Theresa Suchar
Wednesday, November 18	9:00am	Helen Schumm
Thursday, November 19	9:00am	Arianna Maglio <i>(Special Intention)</i>
Friday, November 20	9:00am	For the People
Saturday, November 21	5:00pm	Jean Canger Lilyan Molina Peter J. Scibetta Dolores & Jerry Turco
Sunday, November 22	8:00am	Barry & Marcia Collins Helen Gallira Daniel Nevins Bernice Sinning <i>(Speical Intention)</i>
	12:00pm	Gennaro Carpenito Terry Colligan Mark Forsatz Olga Kuruc Ken Reckenbeil Vincent & Stephen Rinaldo

PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Weekend of November 21 - November 22:

Our Lady of the Valley

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

Holy Cross

10:00am Father Wells

CHRISTMAS 50/50 RAFFLE

Our Christmas 50/50 raffle is off to a great start! One lucky winner will take home half of all monies collected as there will only be **one lucky** winner at this drawing on Sunday, December 20! To make it more interesting, the lucky winner will be a reverse draw which will be the **LAST** ticket remaining.

If you have not received your request form in the mail, copies are left on the back porch of the Parish Center and on our website.

Stay tuned to Father's weekly message for updated information on the amount collected thus far.



ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

Attendance November 8: 264

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)



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - NOVEMBER 15, 2020

PARISH SACRAMENTAL & PRAYER LIFE

*Jesus said: "from the beginning of creation,
God made them male and female.
For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother
And be joined to his wife.
And the two shall become one flesh.
So they are no longer two but one flesh.
Therefore what God has joined together,
no human being must separate."
(Mark 10:6-9)*

**We congratulate those who recently
celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage:**
Martin Sanzari & Justyna Rebisz

*"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>Roger Rigolli</i>
<i>Kathy Corrao</i>	<i>Edward LaBarre</i>
<i>Barry Koerber</i>	<i>Gloria Dykstra</i>
<i>Jenny Moskal</i>	<i>Marilyn Beneventine</i>
<i>Debbie Sleeman</i>	<i>Tom Beneventine</i>
<i>Gary VanSteyn</i>	<i>Donald Boman</i>
<i>Pat VanSteyn</i>	<i>Gloria Keenan</i>
<i>Paul Wilczewski</i>	<i>Eleanor Kucinski</i>
<i>Michael Waldinger</i>	<i>Joe DeFalco</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:

Mary Ann Dowling
Rev. Alan Savitt



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:

Angelo & Sadie Scavone

From their Loving Daughter, Linda Campiglia

2020 DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

"Love Thy Neighbor"



The ability to reach out to people in need through our Diocesan Ministries Appeal is completely dependent on the number of faithful parishioners who participate by making a gift. That is why every gift counts. Your support helps bring hope to thousands of people who come to our Catholic Charities agencies each year. It also supports seminarian education, our diocesan priests' residence, extraordinary healthcare needs of our priests and our urban elementary schools. In addition, parishes receive half of all funds received over their parish goals, with over \$713,000 returned last year to parishes - and over \$3.25 million in five years! Please help your neighbors in need and our own parish by making a gift today! *For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2020appeal.org.*

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Faith Formation Classes Grades 1- 8 has begun. Please check into your class on time and complete the work in the time allocated.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

The next **Confirmation Year I** class is scheduled on Sunday, November 29, from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Please meet directly in Our Lady of the Valley church.

The next **Confirmation Year II** class is also scheduled on Sunday, November 29 from 1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. Please meet directly in Our Lady of the Valley church.

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.**

THANKSGIVING BASKET FOOD LIST

Diane Mollo Memorial Thanksgiving Food Drive

We could really use your donations this year!

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. Due to the pandemic, we are requesting you call this year to confirm your ability to donate. The food donation basket list can be found below.

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.

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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

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

The Fear Factor

The Gospel story is pretty simple. A wealthy man leaves his goods for each of three servants to care for while he is gone. He doesn't give them instructions, at least none that we are told of. When he returns, he sees that two of the three servants have invested the money and got back twice the amount. He is delighted.

So at this point the moral of the story would be: "Make the most of what you have."

But we miss the most interesting part of all if we look just at the successful servants (as does the shortened version of the Gospel in the lectionary!!!). We miss the fascinating and puzzling story of the third servant. This poor soul did not invest the money at all. He buried it. Quite simply, he was afraid of investing it and losing it.

He was right to be afraid, given the owner's attitude. He listened to the fearful servant's story and then had the man thrown into "the darkness outside," where there would be "wailing and grinding of teeth." Quite an overreaction, it seems. The poor guy just wanted to keep the owner's money safe!

Maybe the proprietor was simply a "demanding person," as the parable says. Dark spirited.

But there is much more to it. The monetary unit "talent" in Jesus' time was not a small amount. Even one talent could be worth more than a laborer would earn in a lifetime. And the owner entrusted a lot more than just money to the servants—he left them all his possessions, everything he had. He took a great risk and he wanted them to do the same, not leave the investment moldering around somewhere.

Ok, now make the switch. Assume that the parable is about God. Maybe God entrusts an even greater amount to you and me! Life, abilities, the gift of love, the living breathing human beings around us, and every so often, real and open acts of unselfish love. God gives all this free of charge, gives to us our own lives with all their rewards and catastrophes, and he says to us, *dive in*. Have your life. Make whatever you will with it because you are my own beloved.

It is wonderful. But then an awful question arises. Does God curse those who are afraid and who bury what they are given? Jesus at least seems to say so.

To everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. (Gospel)

Ouch. That hurts.

Except that, in the realm of spirituality, there is one thing I know of that will go away if it is buried, but which gets greater if you use it.

Love.

If fear closes the door tightly against love, guess where the loveless one will be. In the darkness outside the door, wailing and gnashing those teeth. Without love.

Get this:

We are all frightened, and God always has compassion upon us. God waits for ages to see if we will not accept just a bit of the love he offers, and if we will even find just enough courage to invest some of it in other people. God is often disappointed in this risk he takes, and I'm sure he says, "oh no, not again" when we fail.

But this is the disappointment of someone who loves us very well.

Let love in.

Love casts out fear.

John Foley, SJ