

Our Lady of the Valley Church

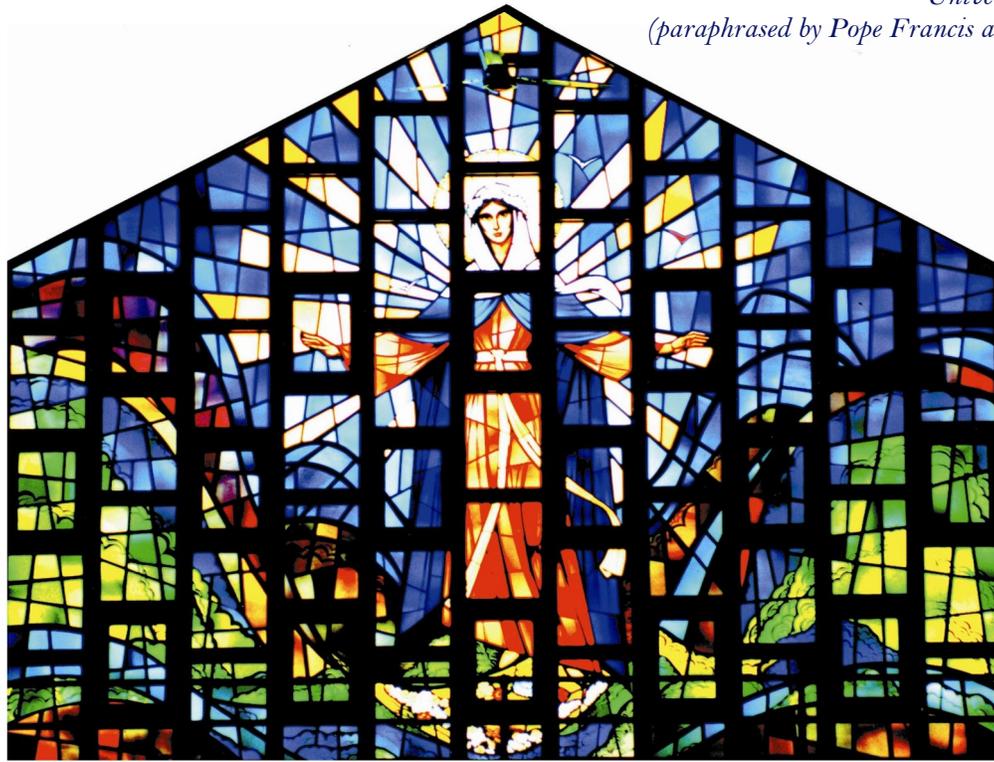
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**“The Church is Holy, not just because all are welcome.
The Church is Holy, because all belong.”**

*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, December 7	9:00am	For the People
Tuesday, December 8	9:00am	Immaculate Conception Bart DiPaola Carla Kipiani <i>(Special Intention)</i> Franco LaCosta <i>(Special Intention)</i> Stella Segovia
	7:00pm	Pippin Llanes Barbara Zborowska
Wednesday, December 9	9:00am	Salvatore Giannini
Thursday, December 10	9:00am	Antoinette Giannantoni
Friday, December 11	9:00am	Reene Naundorff
Saturday, December 12	5:00pm	Mary Ann Dowling Ryan Plateroti Stanley Ziembra
Sunday, December 13	8:00am	Helen & Lee Cooke Mary & Lucille Felice Gaetano & Angelina Ferraro Elsie & Charles Scelba
	12:00pm	Cathy Carmody Stella Di Biasio Walter Hughes Diana Vega

PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Weekend of December 12 - December 13:

Our Lady of the Valley

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

Holy Cross

10:00am Father Wells

ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

Attendance November 29: 219

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)



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Tuesday, December 8, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Eucharist will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Valley on Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (We remind you that the dispensation for Mass attendance is still in effect in our Diocese of Paterson).

We honor Mary because God favored her with a special grace and her decision to cooperate with it has blessed humankind. December 8 is the patronal feast of the United States. Our country is dedicated to Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception.

Find us on



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 6, 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>Kathy Corrao</i>	<i>Marilyn Beneventine</i>
<i>Barry Koerber</i>	<i>Tom Beneventine</i>
<i>Jenny Moskal</i>	<i>Donald Boman</i>
<i>Debbie Sleeman</i>	<i>Gloria Keenan</i>
<i>Gary VanSteyn</i>	<i>Joe DeFalco</i>
<i>Pat VanSteyn</i>	<i>Linda Greco</i>
<i>Paul Wilczewski</i>	<i>Maria Guarneri</i>
<i>Michael Waldinger</i>	<i>Al Soltis</i>
<i>Roger Rigolli</i>	<i>Rita Rugel</i>
<i>Edward LaBarre</i>	<i>Evelyn Mennella</i>
<i>Gloria Dykstra</i>	

*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:

Gregory Bertoline
Ralph Greco, Jr.
Frances Ivankovich
Frances Sperry



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

If you or your family member would like to remain in the prayers for the sick, please contact the parish office. Anyone not requesting to remain, will be removed in our next bulletin.

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:

John Ricciardi

From Anna & Cindy Ricciardi

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES 1-8

Faith Formation Classes Grades 1-8, don't forget to check into your class on time and complete the work in the time allocated.

Upcoming class dates:

December 6, 13, 20

January 3, 10

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

The next Confirmation I and Confirmation II classes are scheduled for Sunday, January 10.

CHRISTMAS 50/50 RAFFLE

There's still time to enter the Christmas 50/50 Raffle! 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, please visit our website.

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



AN ADVENT EVENING OF REFLECTION

"The Life of St. John of the Cross
in Light of the Gift of Hope"

Newark Auxiliary Bishop Manny Cruz, Presenter
Monday, December 14, 2020
7:00 - 8:15 p.m.
Private confessions available

*Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
45 Urban Club Road
Wayne, NJ 07470
(973) 694-5700*



MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The loss of a loved one at any time of our lives always leaves us with an empty feeling that we call grief. There is never an easy time to lose someone we love. During this time of the year when the rest of the world is festive, joyful, and filled with the Christmas spirit, those who mourn are often left alone, lonely, and sometimes depressed.

In this time of **Covid 19**, we invite you and your family to join with others who are mourning a loved one at our **Mass of Remembrance** through the video Liturgy available on our website at **5:00 p.m. Saturday, December 19** through **Sunday, December 20**.

During Mass we will include a roll call of the names of our loved ones buried from Our Lady of the Valley and Holy Cross this past year as well as the names of those requested.

If you would like to have your loved one's name included in the roll call, please fill out the following form and drop it in the collection basket, the mail, or email Sister Dorothy directly at: Srdorothy@olvwayne.org or call (973) 694-4585 x7245. If leaving a voicemail, please leave your name and speak slowly and clearly the spelling of your loved ones names. Names must be submitted by December 16.

“Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” Matthew 11:28

Name(s) of deceased:

Please PRINT clearly



GIVING TREE



Our Lady of the Valley
Benefitting our local charities:

St. Joseph Church, Paterson

Atrium at Wayne

OLV Homebound

Straight & Narrow

Eva's Kitchen

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Passaic

Preakness Healthcare

Catholic Charities

Holy Tabernacle of Praise, Paterson

Christian Adult/Siena Village

Fr. English Homeless Center

Fr. Benedict Homeless Center

Little Sisters of the Poor

Catholic Family Services

Our Lady of Victories Church, Paterson

St. Agnes Church, Paterson

Three ways to give and share the Christmas Spirit

Online Donations:

- o Go to www.olvwayne.org
- o Click 2020 Giving Tree Donations (right side of home page)
- o Click "One Time Donation" and choose donation amount
- o Scroll down to choose your preferred charity and fill in remainder of form
- o At the end, please select "I Agree" and submit your online donation to complete the process.

Donation Drop Box:

- o Place your donation in an envelope, indicate the charity of your choice on the outside, drop in the decorated box either before or after mass or on the parish center back porch
- o Please note: gift cards or checks ONLY

Drop off at Parish Office during office hours (weekdays 9a-12n, 1p-5p)

- o Place your donation in an envelope, indicate the charity of your choice on the outside, drop at Parish Office.
- o Please note: gift cards or checks ONLY

*Last date to donate will be 12/21/20

"For it is in giving that we receive." ~St. Francis of Assisi

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

A Long Time

Love always wants to share itself.

This is surely why God chose to create, God, who is love, making planets and black holes and galaxy clusters, and bestowing his very self upon every microscopic atom of the exhaustive creation he had made.

What a privilege for us, what a gift. Surely this would have been enough.

But planets and asteroids could not receive God actively. They could not decide to let God in and then willingly love God in return. Their reception was passive, a relishment of their rough, craggy existence, being exactly what they were (are) created to be, but no more.

So God thought up a miraculously intricate trail by which something called life could come about. He chose a diminutive blue planet circulating insignificantly around a small star in what some folks would call the Milky Way, millions of years later. It was a new beginning.

It was Life. Life eked its way out of the seas and onto shore. And then into trees, skies, rocky shores and more. It took as its home the highest mountains, the coldest high specks of space, the hottest flaming deserts, and even the deepest oceans. God loved this abundant "Life" in the way a mother loves her children.

If you could have taken one look at the dinosaurs and apes and fishes and birds, you would have seen that these miraculous creations would have been enough. They were alive. What a delight. And God enraptured them in love, a love in which they basked without knowing it.

So there was still more room. God's overflow of love sought out more space for being received.

A very interesting thing happened. God scooped out an openness in some living creatures so that they could actively receive the affectionate love that God was bestowing upon them, and now could return love to God.

As a result, the human race—slowly, cumbrously—doddered into being. Don't ask me the number of Cro-Magnon species that came to be, or how hunting turned into farming and cooking, how weaving and building and fences and fire came onto the scene. They did. And God took time to deepen within humans a spiritual hollow by which they could actually, even in fear and distraction, receive God's Glory. Not passively like a rock receives the sun, but actively and knowingly, welcoming unto themselves the gratuity of God's life, love and presence.

We are those human beings. Each of us is able to open up, wading at the apex of such a long history of God's love for us.

Advent is a treasured time to ask quietly, humbly, how we will love in return.

Will we take time to treasure the openness deep within? Will we let it thrive? It would mean bringing patience to bear on our nervous, ever worrisome life, letting God's presence be enough when we can. Presently, we are called to a way of patient listening and waiting instead of simply "going to church."

Would that be enough?

Not yet.

What if God's tender love wanted to make its way out of the church and into the world? Wouldn't it start (or continue) with the birth of the child Jesus? And wouldn't we carry such love, now within our hearts, out to the whole world?

John Foley, SJ