

# CHURCH OF SAINT VALENTINE

Corner of East Passaic Avenue and Hoover Avenue, Bloomfield, New Jersey

**BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

**JANUARY 10, 2021**



## Masses

Saturday Evenings ----- 5:30 pm  
Sundays----- 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm  
Mondays to Saturdays in the Chapel ----- 12:00 pm  
Holy Days ----- Consult the bulletin



Rectory Office Hours ----- 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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## Welcome to our Parish

### Served By

Fr. Andrew N. Onyemaobi----- *Administrator*

Fr. Dennis E. Reiff-----*In Residence*

Joan Luisi-----*Secretary*

Robert Bulkowski -----*Maintenance*

Gary Sabak -----*Music Director*

John Yannuzzi-----*Financial Trustee*

Kevin Amahit-----*Financial Trustee*

Jean Frucci-----*Food Pantry Coordinator*

### Our Mission Statement

Our Parish Family of Saint Valentine is a local Roman Catholic Church of the Archdiocese of Newark. The celebrations of the Sacraments, particularly the Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith as a community of believers in the Kingdom of God present among us, yet ever growing as a reality, as we follow Christ, proclaiming and witnessing to his Gospel in our lives. THEREFORE, we the Parish Community of Saint Valentine, are called to serve God and others, as we grow in the Holy Spirit.

## Sacraments

### RECONCILIATION

Before or after the Mass, or any time on request. During the week, you may make appointments with Fr Andrew Onyemaobi.

### BAPTISMS

Parishioners who want Baptism for their children need to be registered, active members of the Church. The Baptism will be celebrated at the 10am Sunday Mass. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a meeting in the Rectory. All Godparents must have received the sacrament of Confirmation.

### MATRIMONY

All Catholics should only marry in the Catholic Church. A Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation of at least one year. Therefore, parishioners should first meet with the priest before making any arrangements of date and time, or booking of the banquet.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If someone needs the sacrament of the sick, please call Fr Andrew Onyemaobi at 973-743-0220. Family members are invited to join in the liturgy of the Sacrament of the Sick.

### CATECHISM (AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH)

St Thomas the Apostle and St Valentine is cooperating synergistically in the New Energies sharing of resources for their Catechetical Program. All Catechism Children of St Valentine will register with the Religious Education Office of St Thomas the Apostle. You can register online at: <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.com/web/religious-education/>

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**



**Saturday, January 9**

5:30 pm Mary McLaughlin  
(From: Joan Luisi)

**Sunday, January 10 Baptism of the Lord**

8:00 am Raymond Ciccarelli  
(From: Joan Luisi)  
10:00 am People of the Parish  
12:00 pm Jamie Virtucio  
(From: Genia Virtucio)

**Monday, January 11**

12:00 pm Martha Gauthier  
(From: Tom Conlon)

**Tuesday, January 12**

12:00 pm Dela Cruz  
(From: Gerry & Leila Chanco)

**Wednesday, January 13**

12:00 pm Butler Family  
(From: Tom Conlon)

**Thursday, January 14**

12:00 pm Maryann Barlow  
(From: Barlow Family)

**Friday, January 15**

12:00 pm Victor Rabena  
(From: Rabena Family)

**Saturday, January 16**

12:00 pm, Maryann Barlow  
(From: Maureen Mealia)  
5:30pm Maryann Barlow  
(From: Ed & Susan Levy)

**Sunday, January 17 Second Sunday Ordinary Time**

8:00am Maryann Barlow  
(From: Vincent & Sandra LanFrank)  
10:00am Maryann Barlow  
(From: Vincent & Maureen Meala)  
12:00pm People of the Parish

The Sanctuary Lamp, the Altar Bread & Wine are offered this week in memory of:



**Bread, Wine & Flower Donation**

If you would like to sponsor the purchase of altar bread, wine and flowers in memory of a loved one, please contact the Rectory Office.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Saturday, January 9**

7:00 pm Neo-Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

**Tuesday, January 12**

7:00 pm Neo-Catechumenal Liturgy of the Word (Chapel)

**Thursday, January 14**

7:00 pm

**Friday, January 15**

8:00 pm St Valentine Prayer Group (Chapel)

**Saturday, January 16**

1:00 pm Confessions (In Church)

**Parish Giving**

Sunday Collection (December 27, 2020)---	\$5633.00
Religious Retirement -----	\$40.00
Solemnity of Mary-----	\$10.00
Catholic University -----	\$5.00
Immaculate Conception _____	\$135.00
Assessment -----	\$463.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$6,281.00</b>

*Thank You for Your Generosity!*

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

If you are new in the parish, we would appreciate it if you register. **[Please PRINT clearly]**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

New Registration     Change of Address     Moving Out of Parish     Want Envelopes     Do Not Want Envelopes

Please cut out and drop in the collection or mail to the Parish Rectory.



**READINGS OF THE MASS FOR THIS SUNDAY****BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

First Reading    **Is 42:1-4, 6-7**

Thus says the LORD:

Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. a bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching. I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.

The word of the Lord

Second Reading    **Acts 10:34-38**

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

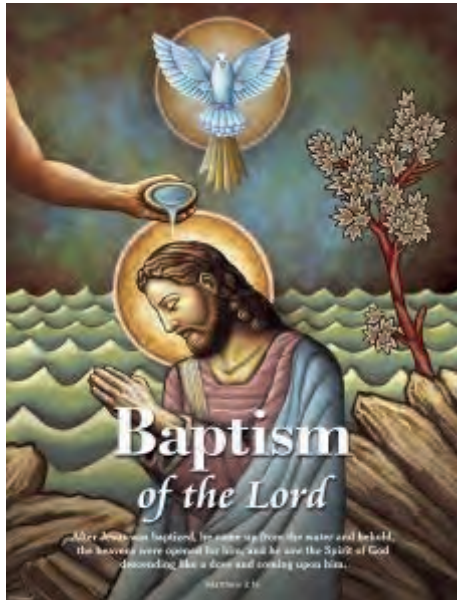
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Gospel    **Mk 1:7-11**

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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...after Jesus was baptized the haven was opened and the Holy Spirits descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, **“This is my beloved son; with you I am well pleased.”** Luke 3:21-22.

This Sunday, feast of the **Baptism of the Lord**, marks the conclusion of the Christmas Season and the beginning of the Ordinary Time. Baptism of the Lord is another manifestation announcing Jesus’ divinity, first to the disciples of John the Baptist and to all of us His followers.

Jesus accepted the baptism of John to be the Bridge between the old prophets (John the last of the old prophet) and New Testament era of grace and truth. Jesus affirmed all that John has said and done in his sacred role of preparing the way of the Lord. It was a moment of manifestation of the Sonship and divinity of Jesus which took place physical, audible and in visible form so that all present would know, without question that Jesus Christ is the Son of the Father. We can say Jesus’ baptism is a way in which the Father introduced the Son and His son’s mission to the world.

Now as we begin the Ordinary Time, let us reflect on the words of the Father, hear the Father speaking to us about the divinity of His Son. We turn our eyes to Jesus and prepare ourselves to follow Him and heed every word He speaks. Jesus came into this world to draw us to the Father. In this New Year let us allow Him to fulfill that mission in our lives

Happy Blessed New Year to you all.

Fr. Andrew N Onyemaobi (Administrator)

*From the Administrator’s Desk*



The Staff and Priests of Saint Valentine Church wish all our Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:



**New Sunday Mass Schedule**

**Good News! We are resuming our original Sunday Mass Schedule:**

- Saturday Evening Mass -----5:30 pm.**
- Sunday Morning Mass -----8:00 am.**
- Sunday Morning Mass ----- 10:00 am.**
- Sunday Noon Mass----- 12:00 pm.**

**EASTER FOOD DRIVE**

The Food Pantry can do with donations of:

- Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Cereal,**
- Macaroni & Cheese,**
- Spaghetti Sauce and Jelly.**



You may bring your donations to the Vestibule of the Church before Mass or at the Rectory during office hours. Thank you for your kind generosity!

**St Valentine's Fundraising & Special Events**



THE VALERIE FUND

The Valerie Fund has a hospital Amazon wish list. If people would like to order from there it gets delivered straight to them:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2M6P6QKI1EUFB?ref=cm\\_sw\\_em\\_r\\_wl\\_dp\\_r9VxK1xSwOnrT](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2M6P6QKI1EUFB?ref=cm_sw_em_r_wl_dp_r9VxK1xSwOnrT)

Thank you to St. Valentine Fundraising & Special Events committee. The child you love in Christ is the child you save.

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## Gospel Today The Baptism of the Lord | Mark 1:7-11

John baptized Jesus with water in the Jordan River, then the Holy Spirit, like a dove, came upon Him. God was pleased!

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People are baptized as babies, children, or as adults, just like Jesus. To everyone, God says:

*"With you I am well pleased."*

### MY BAPTISM

*Draw a picture of your baptism or place a photo.*

**My parents  
or guardians**

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**My Godparents**

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MY NAME

DATE



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