

Pentecost Sunday, June 9, 2019



Church of

ST. VALENTINE

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MASSES

Saturday at 5:30 PM., (8:00 PM. Eucharist, Rectory)

Sunday at 8:00 AM., 10:00 AM. & 12:00 PM.

Weekdays: Monday through Saturday

8:00 AM. in Rectory Chapel.

Holy Days as announced in the Bulletin.

NOVENA TO THE VIRGIN MARY

Novena Prayer: 8:30 AM. on Saturdays.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday at 4:00 PM. (also by appointment).

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Archdiocesan Website: www.rcan.org

Mission Statement

We, the Parish Family of Saint Valentine, are a Roman Catholic Community within the local Church of the Archdiocese of Newark. The celebrations of the mass and the other sacraments are central to our identity as a parochial community which worships God in communion with family, neighbors and friends. Celebrating the Eucharist unites us to be a sign of 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. Through liturgical worship and the ministries of the Church, we love and serve each other in our service of God. THEREFORE, we the Parish Community of Saint Valentine, are dedicated to serving others within and outside ourselves, as we strive to deepen our own response to the Lord and to announce the Good News of salvation in Christ.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Please contact the Religious Education Office to enroll children for Catechism. For further information, please contact the Religious Education Office: (973) 743-6122.

CATECHETICAL FORMATION

The Catechetical programs are open only to registered parishioners. Regular worship at Sunday Mass is an obligation and duty. The Christian formation of children require regular attendance and discipline in Catechism classes for the growing knowledge of our faith and doctrine, in order to prepare children to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrated at the 10 AM. Sunday Mass. After the Introduction, the priest sends the children to celebrate their own Liturgy of the Word on the Sunday Scriptures. Then, the children join the assembly for the Eucharist. We invite and encourage all children to participate. Check Bulletin Calendar for Schedule.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

An Adult faith formation with various stages of the Catechumenate. Call the parish office for information.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is celebrated once a month at the Sunday 12 Noon Mass, as noted in the Bulletin. Parents should contact the Parish Office: at least two months prior to scheduled dates in order to make required preparation.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Christian Marriage is God's call to a baptized man and woman to love each other in a indissoluble relationship for the whole of life and open to the Catholic formation of their children. Contact Fr. Basil one year in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick (Holy Anointing) is for both spiritual and physical healing. For anointing before an operation, or for the infirmed or homebound, please call Fr. Basil's cellphone anytime (201) 364-9808.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

The St. Valentine's Social Concerns Ministry is compelled by the love of Christ to show His compassion and love to persons with identified needs in our parish.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS

Join us for the Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal after the 8:00 AM. Mass on Saturdays.

ROSARY

Join us for the Rosary before the 8:00 AM. Daily Mass in the Rectory Chapel.

PARISH REGISTRATION

For your ongoing Christian faith formation and participation in the life of the Church, please register as a member of our Parish at the Rectory Office. By virtue of your Baptism, you have a responsibility and duty to your soul to celebrate the Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation, and to regularly receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY June 8
5:30 pm Jennie Pino (Pauline Funaro)

SUNDAY June 9 (Pentecost Sunday)
8:00 am Santo & Beatrice Perri (Cristina Gabriele)
10:00 am James T. Tomosieski (Kathleen Tomosieski)
12:00 pm The People of the Parish

MONDAY June 10 (Tenth Week in Ordinary Time)
8:00 am Mary Lek (Fr Basil Lek)

TUESDAY June 11 (St Barnabas, Apostle)
8:00 am Amado & Rose Lopez (50th Wedd Anni, Vangie Sapalasan)

WEDNESDAY June 12
8:00 am Agnes Elizabeth Jacunski (Joe Niemiec)

THURSDAY June 13 (St Anthony of Padua, Priest)
8:00 am Frank Palumbo (Anthony Palumbo)

FRIDAY June 14
8:00 am Germaine Er (Birthday, Fr Basil Lek)

SATURDAY June 15
8:00 am José García (Nannette De Los Santos)
5:30 pm Victor Bulkowski (Bulkowski Family)

SUNDAY June 16 (The Most Holy Trinity)
8:00 am Santo & Beatrice Perri (Cristina Gabriele)
10:00 am Richard Hansen (Hansen Family)
12:00 pm John Obremski (Obremski Family)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Most Holy Trinity
Pr 8: 22-31; Ps 8: 4-9;
Rom 5: 1-5; Jn 16: 12-15

CHURCH COLLECTION

Sunday Collection 6/2/2019	\$4,333.00
Air-Conditioning Collection	\$1,380.00
Pancake Breakfast Fundraising	\$545.00

Thank you for your financial support. Please donate to our Church Renovation. You can dedicate your checks to "Church Renovation." Every bit helps. It is the season for repairs. With the grace of God, we hope to make all the necessary repairs. The rectory residence has a 30 year old carpet that needs to be replaced. It is so faded and worn out.

- Fr Basil Lek.

CALENDAR OF EVENT

SUNDAY June 9 (Pentecost Sunday)
 Archdiocesan Assessment Collection

TUESDAY June 11 (St Barnabas, Apostle)
8:00 pm Liturgy of the Word (Rectory)

WEDNESDAY June 12
7:00 pm Confirmation Rehearsal (Church)
7:30 pm Choir Practice (Church)

FRIDAY June 14
8:00 pm Prayer Group (Chapel)

SATURDAY June 15
2:00 pm Women's A.A. (Rectory Basement)
4:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation (Church)
5:30 pm Confirmations with Bishop Flesey

Confirmation 2019

Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from the Most Reverend Bishop John W. Flesey on the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, Saturday, June 15 at the 5:30pm Mass. May the Lord prepare their hearts to receive the Sacrament worthily.

Arian Abalos		Jarrod Gumboc
Anthony Dittrich		Jake Paccione
Neiman Esquerra		Jocelyn Rivera
Demetria Glennon	Confirmation	Matthew Santana
Logan Villalobos		

St Valentine Family Festival 2019
 September 6th, 7th & 8th



Do you have leadership or organizational qualities? This is the Parish's largest fundraiser. If it is going to continue we need people to step up to help coordinate this Event.

New members are welcome! Our next meeting is on: Monday, June 24, 2019.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners

The Greek word "Pentecost" means fiftieth. In the Old Testament, the Passover was celebrated at the barley harvest. Then comes the "feast of weeks," seven weeks until the 50th day which is Pentecost or in Hebrew "*Shavuot*", a thanksgiving for the wheat harvest (Lv 23: 15-16). The people would offer the first fruits, the best of the wheat harvest. Jesus is the First Fruit; he offers the best of himself to the Father, and he elevates this feast to become the outpouring of the Holy Spirit when the Church is born. God offers us the best of Himself - his Holy Spirit to us. On our part, are we offering the best to God, or are we giving sacrifices to the idols of the world? Time that we should spend with God on Sunday is wasted on our craving for money or something else more important than God? We sacrifice the time we should spend with God or with our family in the hopes of building a "better life." God may give you what you wish for, that "better life" but without God and without family.

Pentecost is the 50th day of Easter. The number 50 reminds the Jews of the Jubilee year, which is the 50th year when all debts are cancelled. The Jews are instructed to cultivate the land for 6 year, but on the 7th year they must let the land rest; just as they should rest on every Sabbath (Ex 23: 11-12). God has given us rest from making money, so that we would learn to trust in Him, that he would provide for us. Jesus gives us the heavenly rest on the eighth day, after the Sabbath, which is Sunday. It is a rest for the soul, so that the soul will not look for its life in this world, the so called "better life" that people of the world are chasing after. God will be the Sun that gives us the **new life, the true better life without end.**


Jesus gives us the Jubilee on Pentecost, the 50th day where all debts are cancelled. In him all our sins may be cancelled. But the problem is in the heart. Do we give ourselves to God without holding back anything, or are we more interested in doing our own will. Christ gives himself totally to us, do we give ourselves totally to him? If not, then why do we call ourselves Christians? But for those who give themselves totally to God because they love him, He showers them with the gifts of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

- Fr. Basil Lek.

Prayer Request for the Sick

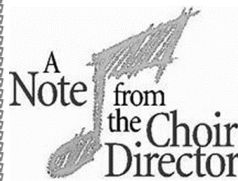
If you would like the parish to pray for a parishioner, relative or friend, please call the Parish Office at (973) 743-0220.

Please pray for the following infirmed:

Rosemarie Michelle, Janice Mannello,
Colbie Durborow, Emily Bajek
Carmella Baccarri,  Mary Jane Sexton,
Angela Loungo, Tena Mihalics,
Dennis Hayes, Nicole Maiore, Gina Maiore,
Michael Wegrzejnek & Matthias Birmingham,

If there is any parishioner who is sick or dying and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please call Fr Basil Lek at (201) 364-9808 (cell), or call the Parish Office at (973) 743-0220.

St Valentine's Choir News & Notes



Come join the Choir for practices on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm. The Choir sings at the 10 am Mass on Sundays. We are most in need of Sopranos and Bassos, but Tenors and Altos are surely welcome. Give it a try!

Month of the Sacred Heart Events - June 2019

SACRED HEART CHURCH, BLOOMFIELD would like to invite you to participate in these events:

A CONCERT OF CHORAL MEDITATIONS ON THE 12 PROMISES OF THE SACRED HEART

On First Friday, June 7 at 8pm,
at Sacred Heart Church:

76 Broad Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003.
www.shcbloomfield.org

12 DAY NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

Begins Tuesday, June 18 7:30pm. Continues
Weeknights: June 19-21 & 24-28 at 7:30pm.

Saturdays: June 22 & 29 at 6:30pm.

Sunday, June 23 at 1:45pm

(Before Eucharistic Procession to Cathedral)

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

On the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday, June 23
From Sacred Heart in Bloomfield, down Bloomfield Avenue to the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. On Sunday, June 23 at 2pm (leaving from 76 Broad Street in Bloomfield) to approximately 4pm (ending at 89 Ridge Street, Newark).

IMMACULATE HEART ACADEMY, TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, NJ is hosting various co-ed summer enrichment courses through its popular Summer@theheart program. Courses, beginning July 8 and running through Aug. 1, are open to students of several age levels, 6th through 12th grades. Two larger Enrichment Sessions and three mini sessions are held Mondays-Thursdays, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Courses include Broadcasting, Intro to Geography, Creative Writing, Personal Leadership, Intro to Calligraphy, Grammar Bootcamp, Intro to Algebra, Intro to Watercolor, and many more! For more information or to register, visit www.ihanj.com or contact Kelly Tweed at ktweed@ihanj.com or 201.445.6800.

St Thomas the Apostle Seniors' Club 2019 Trips

The Windlass Restaurant in Lake Hopatcong & Cruise

July 16th (Tuesday) – An afternoon at the Lake with a Buffet Lunch at the Windlass Restaurant followed by a one hour Cruise of Lake Hopatcong. The Windlass is waterfront with a fabulous view of the Lake, and the sightseeing boat is a 57 foot boat with enclosed lower deck & open top deck. \$90 Per Person includes Lunch & Gratuity at the Windlass, Cruise & Gratuity, Bus Transportation & Driver Tip. Bus will depart at 10:30am.



Join the fun at the Lake. \$30 due upon Sign-Up & \$60 Balance by June 10th. (Minimum 30 & Max. 40).

Gaming at the Sands Casino

August 20th (Tuesday) - \$30.00 Per Person includes Bus Transportation & Driver Tip, \$20 Free Slot Play, & \$5 Food Coupon. Bus will depart at 9:30am. \$10 due upon Sign-Up & \$20 Balance by July 22nd. (Minimum 35 & Maximum 50)



OVERNIGHT PARKING

St. Valentine Church offers overnight parking at the parking lots along East Passaic Avenue, beside the Firehouse and across from the Church. The monthly fee for private car owners who park their cars at their own risk throughout the night is **\$25 per month, and a one-time security deposit of \$50**. Vehicles without permission to park overnight will be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense. No commercial vehicles are allowed to park in our parking lots overnight. Contact us: (973) 743-0220.

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Pancake Breakfast Acknowledgement



Thank you all who participated in the Pancake Breakfast. Thank you especially to John and Patty Krawiec, and all the volunteers who worked to make this event a successful and enjoyable affair.

May God bless you for your generosity.

We are "One Body" in Christ

The Wellness Ministry and the Holy Name Society, St. Thomas the Apostle Parish (60 Byrd Ave., Bloomfield) are co-sponsoring a program on Elder Care on:

Tuesday, June 25, 2019 in the Parish Center (basement of church) between 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

It will involve a panel of experts: an elder law attorney, a senior advisor, a transition specialist and a financial advisor. Presentations will not involve the panelists promoting their own professional services. There will be plenty of time set aside for attendees to ask questions. There is no attendance fee and light refreshments will be provided. There is elevator access to the basement from the south side of the church. Any advanced questions can be addressed to Barbara St. Hilaire, R.N. (STA Wellness Ministry) at (973) 338-5371.