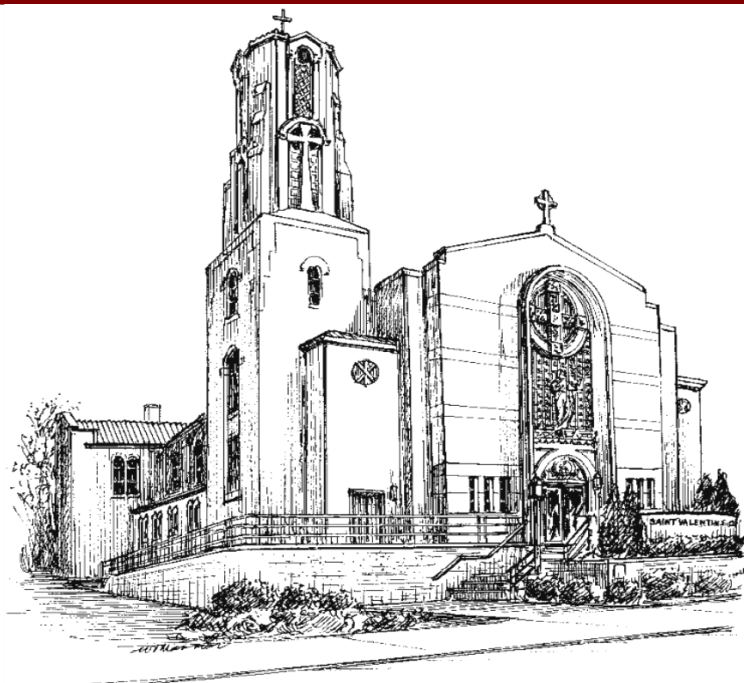


CHURCH OF SAINT VALENTINE

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 11, 2024



Masses

Saturday Evening ----- 5:30 pm

Sunday ----- 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

Monday to Saturday in the Chapel ... 12:00 pm

Holy Days ----- Please see the bulletin

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

Rectory Telephone ----- 973-743-0220

Rectory Fax ----- 973-743-2041

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Served By

Fr. Andrew N. Onyemaobi ----- Pastor

Fr. Andrew Njoku ----- In Residence

Judy Giuliano ----- Parish Secretary

Robert Bulkowski ----- Maintenance

Kevin Amahit ----- Financial Trustee

Iris Prcic ----- Director of Music

Jean Frucci ----- Food Pantry Coordinator

Our Mission Statement

The Roman Catholic Community of Saint Valentine is called to be a visible sign of God's presence in the world. Through celebration of the sacraments, especially through reconciliation and the Eucharist, we are sent out to proclaim and witness to the Gospel by our lives.

We are therefore dedicated to serving others within our church, local communities and throughout the world. By loving God, neighbor and self we deepen our response to the Lord and to announce the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ.

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

At the Church, Saturdays at 12:45pm (after the 12:00pm mass in the rectory chapel) we have Confession. during the week, you may call the office to make appointments with the Priest.

BAPTISMS

Parishioners who want Baptism for their children need to be registered, active members of the Church. The Baptism will be celebrated at the 12:00 Noon 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Our program will be held at St. Valentine Church. For further information please reach out to our acting D.R.E.

Mrs. Marta Cirilli-Kuebler at faithformationstval@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, February 10****2nd Collection — Archdiocesan Assessment**

12:00pm Bill & Nannette (Thanksgiving)

5:30pm Paul DiNardo

From: Mary DiNardo

Sunday, February 11**2nd Collection — Archdiocesan Assessment**

8:00am Mercyjo Solante (Thanksgiving)

From: "Self"

10:00am Yannuzzi Family (Deceased Members)

From: Dolores Yannuzzi

12:00pm Kathy Vard

From: Janice

Monday, February 12

12:00 pm Felicia Cook

From: Krys Salvetta

Tuesday, February 13

12:00 pm Paolo Miguel Liway

From: Elito & Divina Santos

Wednesday, February 14—ASH WEDNESDAY

12:00 pm Paolo Miguel Liway

From: Elito & Divina Santos

Thursday, February 15

12:00pm Rev. Michael C. Santoro (Deceased)

From: Elito & Divina Santos

Friday, February 16

12:00 pm Colette Landicho (Birthday)

From: Corrie Landicho

Saturday, February 17**2nd Collection — Aid to the Church in****Central & Eastern Europe**

12:00pm 50th Wedding Anniversary

From: Chris Gill

5:30pm Marian Damato (Deceased)

From: Mary DiNardo

Sunday, February 18— The First Sunday of Lent**2nd Collection — Aid to the Church in****Central & Eastern Europe**

8:00am Juliana L. Resus

From: Desiree

10:00am Antoinette Duger

From: Family

12:00pm Reynaldo&Leonora Velasques (Deceased)

From: Emma Laurente

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46**

The Lord tells Moses and Aaron that anyone bearing the sore of leprosy must first be seen by Aaron or one of the other priests, and that as long as the sore is upon him, "He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1

Paul instructs the Corinthians to do everything for the glory of God, to avoid offending others, and to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Jesus takes pity on a leper and cures him of his disease with a warning not to say but to show himself to the priest and make an offering. Instead of remaining silent, the leper greatly publicized the healing, making it impossible for Jesus to enter the town openly.

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**Sunday Collection (2/4/24) \$ 3,496.00****Archdiocesan Assessment..... \$ 20.00****Solemnity of Mary..... \$ 45.00****Communicating God's Word..... \$ 40.00****TOTAL..... \$ 3,601.00****Electronic Giving \$ 1,107.34**

***Thank you for your generosity to your parish
& your continued stewardship.***

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

Name

Address

Phone Number

E-Mail

KID'S KORNER

Gospel Today
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 1:40-45

Jesus cured the leper, a man with a skin disease, with a touch of His hand.

Year B

When the leper was healed, Jesus said, "Don't tell this to anyone." Jesus trusted the man to go quietly to the priest, but instead he ran off telling everyone he was cured. He did NOT keep it a secret (he was very excited). As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly, but stayed in lonely places. Still, people kept coming to Him from everywhere. **Jesus gave the leper new life...**

LENT begins this week... **Give us New Life, O Lord.**

Dear Jesus... I have sinned, I am sorry, let's begin again. Love, _____
your name



SHROVE TUESDAY

also known as... FAT TUESDAY = MARDI GRAS = PANCAKE DAY

It is a tradition to eat pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. Shrove comes from the word "shrive", meaning to confess, or tell God we are sorry for our sins. Pancakes use up food items that were not permitted during Lent in the Middle Ages - milk, eggs, fat, butter and meat. Lent begins tomorrow - Let's eat pancakes today!



The ashes on my forehead say,
"I have sinned, I am sorry. Please
God, help me change, make me a
new person."

Homemade Pancakes



SIFT	MIX IN
1 1/4 cup flour	1 beaten egg
3 teaspoons baking powder	1 cup milk
2 tablespoons sugar	2 tablespoons vegetable oil
1/2 teaspoon salt	

Cook on greased, hot skillet. Flip when bubbles appear and pop. Makes 8, 4" pancakes — Serving with butter, syrup, fruit or meat is optional.

BEYOND BAPTISM



Beyond
Baptism

Engaging Laity
Empowering Hearts
Sharing the Real Presence
Encounter Christ through the Eucharist



Eucharistic Miracles

The Miracle of Santaremo

The ancient city of Santaremo has contained for over seven centuries the greatest Eucharistic Miracle of the Catholic Church after Lanciano.

The first date referring to the miracle is February 16th 1247, which several 15th Century historians affirm having read in the no longer existent primitive relation. Others refer to 1256, the date recorded on the commissioned copy of King Alfonso IV of 1246. Given the historically documented abundance of Miracles involving the same Host, it is probable that both dates record Miracles that occurred.

The first of Major Miracle involved a poor housewife who, suffering from her husband's constant affairs decided to consult a Jew who lived near Gracia Church. This witch promised an efficacious cure if as payment she would receive a Consecrated Host. To obtain the Host housewife faked an illness and thus tricked the priest of Church of St. Stephen into giving her communion on a weekday. No sooner had she taken the Sacred Particle into her mouth when she removed it and placed it in a knot in the wall she was wearing on her head.

Immediately the Host began to bleed bringing about the attention of the neighbors. Panic-stricken, the poor woman ran to her home near the Church, and hid the Host in a cedar trunk where she kept her clean linens. At night, the couple was awoken by spectacular vision of angels adorning the Bleeding Host which radiated. The couple repented and converted and by dawn the priest was summoned and accompanied by numerous clergy and laity took the Host back to the Church where it could be seen to bleed for three days. Finally, it was decided to encase the Host (still bleeding) in a reliquary made from melted bees wax candles. The Host remained for long time in this Wax container which was in turn displayed in a kind of chalice until a second miracle (1264/7). It was enclosed in an ampoule or bottle made of crystal.

The crystallized pieces of solidified blood mixed with wax, constitute Relics of the Precious Blood, and can also be seen today beside the Reliquary - Monstrance of 1782 with the Major relic atop the gilt 18th Century Eucharistic Throne above the main altar.

But the Miracles did not end there. Over the centuries, the Major Relic has been sent to emit fresh blood or take on various visible forms of Jesus Christ. Such witnesses to these phenomena include St. Francis Xavier, the apostle of the Indies and 16th Archbishop of Lisbon who went as far as breaking the neck of the ampoule hoping to stop the Blood-flow.

Major commissioned studies of the Holy Miracle of canonical investigations have taken place over the years, but those in 1340 and 1622, have proven indisputably its authenticity and antiquity. The Shrine today consists of the Church of The Holy Miracle which evolved from an early 12th century Church of St. Stephen, and the nearby house or chapel where the first Major Miracle occurred. The Shrine was solemnly re-opened by D. Antonio Francisco Marques, Bishop of Santaremo on March 7th 1996.

FOOD PANTRY

You can donate:

Cereal, Macaroni & Cheese, Soups,
Canned Vegetables, Tuna, Peanut Butter,
Jelly, and Spaghetti Sauce.

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!



Please PRAY For The Healing of those listed below:

- ◆ Nicole Ostering
- ◆ Mary Rende
- ◆ Jacob (Maria DaCunha's Grandson)
- ◆ Viola-Cleo Bradshaw
- ◆ Alan Bruce Bradshaw
- ◆ Cordelia Vogel
- ◆ Andrea Emilia Bernabey
- ◆ Gustavo & Caceres Family
- ◆ Rios Family
- ◆ Alonso Family
- ◆ Santa Cruz Family

Jesus was
moved with pity



"Pope Francis' Monthly Intentions

For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

WEBSITE (www.stvalentinchurch.com)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS**Saturday, February 10**

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

Sunday, February 11

No events Scheduled

Monday, February 12

No events Scheduled

Tuesday, February 13

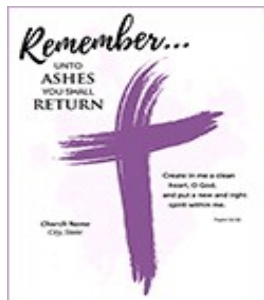
No events Scheduled

Wednesday, February 14**ASH WEDNESDAY**

12:00 Noon and

7:00pm Masses /

Distribution of Ashes

**Thursday, February 15**

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

Friday, February 16

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 17

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

Sunday, February 18

No CCD Classes

2:00 –4:00pm Fish Fry Dinner

**Archdiocese of Newark**

OFFICE OF THE VICAR GENERAL

2024 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 18** to **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 26, 2024.**

*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

January 23, 2024

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DAILY READING**The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time****Sunday**

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31—11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Monday

Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday

Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

Friday

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

SAVE THE DATE:

Feb 18th—Fish Fry

Feb 19th—Next 125th Committee Meeting — 7PM

Feb 20th—First Meeting of the Spiritual Committee Book Club! 7PM

Feb 24th—Church Hall Clean-up Day — 10AM

Feb 25th—Meet & Greet after 8AM Mass

Feb 26th—Festival Wrap-Up Meeting 7pm

March 3rd—NOON Mass with Cardinal Tobin followed by Luncheon w/Cardinal



To commemorate the 125th Anniversary of St. Valentine's Church, the Spiritual Committee has initiated a Book Club.

Our first selection, *My Life with the Saints* by James Martin SJ is a "Publishers Weekly Best Book of the Year", "Winner of the Catholic Press Association Book Award" and winner of the "Christopher Award".

The first meeting will be held February 20th at 7pm in the Rectory. **Please Do Not** read the book prior to the Introductory Meeting. Won't you consider joining us as we read through this "outstanding and often hilarious memoir".

Please RSVP to Janice Ph. 973-634-6393



125th CORNER

FEBRUARY 16, 2024—2025

COMMEMORATIVE ANNIVERSARY MERCHANDISE SALE ONGOING

Please join us on March 3rd
Noon Mass with Cardinal Joseph
Tobin followed by Luncheon

ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

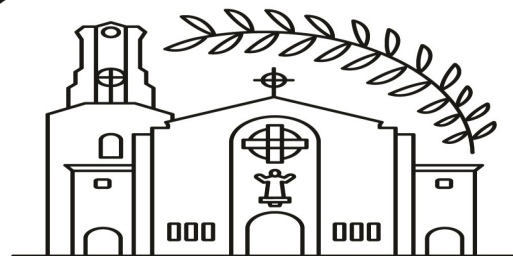
Name _____

Guests Attending _____

Phone Number _____

Drop in Collection Box or RSVP To Patti 201.207.0785

By February 25th for head count. Thank you.



125 YEARS

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