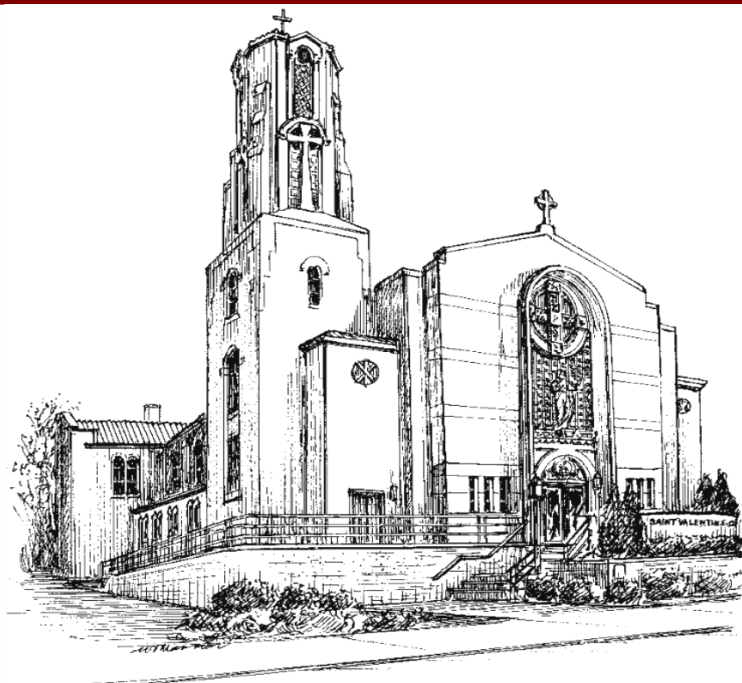


# CHURCH OF SAINT VALENTINE

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**MARCH 10 , 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*

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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](mailto:faithformationstval@gmail.com).

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 9**2nd Collection — Black & Indian Missions/Catholic Relief**

12:00pm Janette Faulk  
 From: Daughters  
 5:30pm Pasquale Salerno (Deceased)  
 From: Bulkowski Family

Sunday, March 10**2nd Collection — Black & Indian Missions/Catholic Relief**

8:00am Clara Araujo (Deceased)  
 From: Lurdes Sol  
 10:00am Tom & Rose Carroll (Deceased)  
 From: Jim & Christena McManus  
 12:00pm Joan & Edward Sayre  
 From: Marshall

Monday, March 11

12:00 pm Bernard & Elizabeth Conlon (Deceased)  
 From: Thomas Conlon

Tuesday, March 12

12:00 pm Agnes Jacunski (Deceased)  
 From: Bill & Nannette Jacunski

Wednesday, March 13

12:00 pm Jose & Priscilla Garcia (Deceased)  
 From: Bill & Nannette Jacunski

Thursday, March 14

12:00pm Sheryl Santa Cruz (Birthday)  
 From: Sylvia & Ted Santa Cruz

Friday, March 15

12:00 pm Nicandro Creer (Birthday)  
 From: Creer Family

Saturday, March 16**2nd Collection — None**

12:00pm Roland Cook  
 From: Krys Salvetta  
 5:30pm Stefania Gabara  
 From: Daughter Lucy

Sunday, March 17 — Fourth Sunday of Lent**2nd Collection — None HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

8:00am Athletic Club (Deceased Members)  
**Altar Bread & Wine Donated by Athletic Club**  
 10:00am Bennie Finnegan (Deceased)  
 From: Jim & Christena McManus  
 12:00pm Max & Arcilla Alipe (Deceased)  
 From: Marshall Sayre

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23**

The people of Judah practiced many abominations, even polluting God's temple in Jerusalem. They mocked the messengers he sent among them, until he grew so angry he delivered them to the King of the Chaldeans. Those who weren't killed were exiled and became servants for seventy years. Cyrus, King of Persia, was ordered to build a temple to God in Jerusalem, and he freed the servants as God had inspired him to do.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10**

Paul declares that God brought us to life in Jesus, though we had been dead from our sins. He reminds us that it was not a reward for our good service so no one should take credit. Instead, we must remember that it was not our doing, but a sign of God's mercy and love for us.

**Gospel: John 3:14-21**

God so loved the world, he sent us his only Son so that all who believed would have eternal life in him. The light came into the world, but those who were wicked avoided it, for fear that their evil deeds would be exposed. But those who believed were unafraid of the light, where it would be clear that their deeds were done in God.

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# Parish Giving

**Sunday Collection (3/3/2024) \$ 5,378.00**

**Archdiocesan Assessment..... \$ 50.00**

**Maintenance..... \$ 155.00**

**Central & Eastern Europe..... \$ 60.00**

**TOTAL..... \$ 5,643.00**


**Electronic Giving \$ 1,103.71**

***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**  
Fourth Sunday of Lent | John 3:14-21

Jesus is the Light of the World, come to save us from the darkness. Through His love, the believers will have eternal life.

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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life.

John 3: 16

**Give us New Life, O Lord.**

My plan for Lent, one week at a time...

This week I will pray for \_\_\_\_\_

This week I will give up/do without \_\_\_\_\_

This week I will do this act of love/good deed \_\_\_\_\_

(Sundays optional)

**BIBLE WORD SEARCH**

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.



Jesus	Darkness	Life
Only	Everyone	Truth
Son	Through	Sight
World	Love	God
Light	Believes	Send
Save	Eternal	

J	E	H	O	L	W	S	I	L	T	E	T
E	H	X	I	B	A	N	I	I	H	O	R
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**BEYOND BAPTISM**



## Beyond Baptism

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



**Beyond Baptism invites you to a Parish Eucharistic Survey**

Please join us in filling out a brief survey expressing your thoughts  
The QR will bring you to a form  
Names and emails will not be collected unless you request more information at the end.  
We thank you in advance for your participation



Info@Beyondbaptism.com

**UPCOMING IMPORTANT FAITH FORMATION DATES:**

Communion practice 5/2 and 5/3 from 5:00-6:00pm, details will be given closer to practice dates.

Communion MAY 5 at Noon Mass

Confirmation Candidates MUST ATTEND:

Confirmation Retreat at St. Thomas Church in Bloomfield, NJ. Retreat Date is MARCH 8th, from 6:00-9:00pm.

## 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 :**

- ◆ **Damianus Aditya Christie & Joseph**
- ◆ **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**

**"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, March 9**

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

**Sunday, March 10**

1:30pm Live in the Spirit Seminar with Marlene

**Monday, March 11**

No events scheduled

**Tuesday, March 12**

No events scheduled

**Wednesday, March 13**

No events scheduled

**Thursday, March 14**

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

**Friday, March 15**

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 16**

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

**Sunday, March 17**

No events scheduled

**SAVE THE DATE:**

March 17th— Athletic Club Breakfast 9am

March 18th— Parish Council Meeting 7pm

March 19th—Spiritual Book Club Meeting 7pm

April 1st— Next Tricky Tray Meeting 7pm

Saint Valentine  
Athletic Club  
Communion Breakfast



Sunday March 17, 2024  
8 A M Mass  
Saint Valentine Church  
East Passaic & Hoover Ave  
Bloomfield NJ

9 A M Breakfast at  
The Chandelier  
340 Franklin Ave Belleville NJ

Door Prizes Donation \$30.00  
Contact Mike McGowan  
973\*680\*1551



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**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****Sunday**

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

**Monday**

Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday**

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday**

Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday**

Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

**Friday**

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday**

Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53





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 March meeting will be held in St Valentine's Rectory on March 19th at 7:00pm. We will be focusing our discussion on Chapters 1 through 5 of Father Martin's book. Please consider joining us as we delve more deeply into his much acclaimed memoir. Looking forward to seeing you then. Any questions, feel free to contact Janis at Ph. 973-634-6393

**MARCH SAINTS:** St. Casimar (March 4th)  
St. Patrick (March 17) & St. Joseph (March 19)



## 125th CORNER

FEBRUARY 16, 2024—2025

COMMEMORATIVE ANNIVERSARY  
MERCHANDISE SALE ONGOING

NEXT EVENT  
TRICKY TRAY  
IN APRIL

