

# CHURCH OF SAINT VALENTINE

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 21, 2025



## 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 ----- *JANUARY 1st*

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

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## Served By

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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). During the week, you can call the office to make an appointment 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 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, December 20**

**2nd Collection — Archdiocesan Assessment**  
 12:00pm Eric Vaz (Deceased)(Heavenly Birthday)  
 From: The Vaz Family  
 5:30pm Edward & Stefania Gabara (Deceased)  
 From: Your Daughter

**Sunday, December 21**

**2nd Collection — Archdiocesan Assessment**  
 8:00am Robert Mills, Sr.  
 From: Jeff Mills  
 10:00am Ziggy Gabara (Deceased)  
 From: Lucy Gambino  
 12:00pm Amado Lopez (Deceased)  
 From: The Lopez Family

**Monday, December 22**

12:00pm Gerry Chanco (Deceased)  
 From: Family

**Tuesday, December 23**

12:00 pm Aida Bacorn (Deceased)  
 From: Val & Tess

**Wednesday, December 24**

12:00 pm Janis Jones (Deceased)  
 From: Elito & Divina  
 5:30pm **Vigil Mass**  
 8:00pm **Vigil Mass**

**Thursday, December 25 CHRISTMAS DAY**

8:00am People of the Parish  
 10:00am People of the Parish  
 12:00pm People of the Parish



**Friday, December 26**

12:00 pm Rafael Delos Santos (Deceased)  
 From: Bill & Nannette

**Saturday, December 27**

**2nd Collection — None**

12:00pm Gerry Chanco (Deceased)  
 From: Maria & Mike DeRosa  
 5:30pm Jose Araujo (Deceased)  
 From: Lurdes Sol

**Sunday, December 28 — FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**

**2nd Collection — None**

8:00am Paul DiNardo (Deceased)  
 From: Mary DiNardo  
 10:00am Jaime Virtucio (Deceased)  
 From: Genia Virtucio  
 12:00pm Nannette & Bill Jacunski

**4th SUNDAY of Advent**

**First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14**

Ahaz receives from Isaiah a prophecy that he will be successful in war and is urged to ask for a sign that the prophecy is true. The sign is "The virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel."

**Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7**

Paul greets the Romans by pointing out that Jesus is the Christ who was promised to them in Scripture. He, Paul, is the apostle favored with the task of spreading the name of Christ to all.

**Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24**

In a brief, straightforward, simple narrative, Matthew recounts the events leading to Jesus' birth. He details the appearance of the angel in a dream to Joseph and stresses that "All this happened to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophets."

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**SUNDAY COLLECTION (12/14/25)...**

**DUE TO EARLY SUBMISSION Request**

**Numbers will be available in the next bulletin**

**TOTAL..... \$**

**Electronic Giving..... \$**

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

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

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

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

New Registration  Change of Address  Moving Out of Parish

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### Gospel Today Fourth Sunday of Advent / Matthew 1:18-24

The angel spoke to Joseph in a dream saying, "Through the Holy Spirit Mary will bear a son and you will name Him Jesus." Joseph was a good and righteous man and obeyed God's message taking his wife Mary into his home.

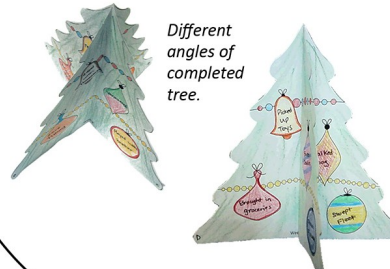
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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### Directions

- [1] Color the tree green, write your good deeds on the ornaments and color them in.
- [2] Cut out and fold at right angle to stand up by itself.
- [3] Each week of Advent complete the tree and repeat steps 1-2.
- [4] After you have 4 weeks of trees colored, filled in and cut out, attach **week 1** to **week 2** by matching the corner letters and gluing or taping halves together up to the fold line. Do the same for **week 3** and **week 4**, which will then attach to **week 1** and **2** to complete.

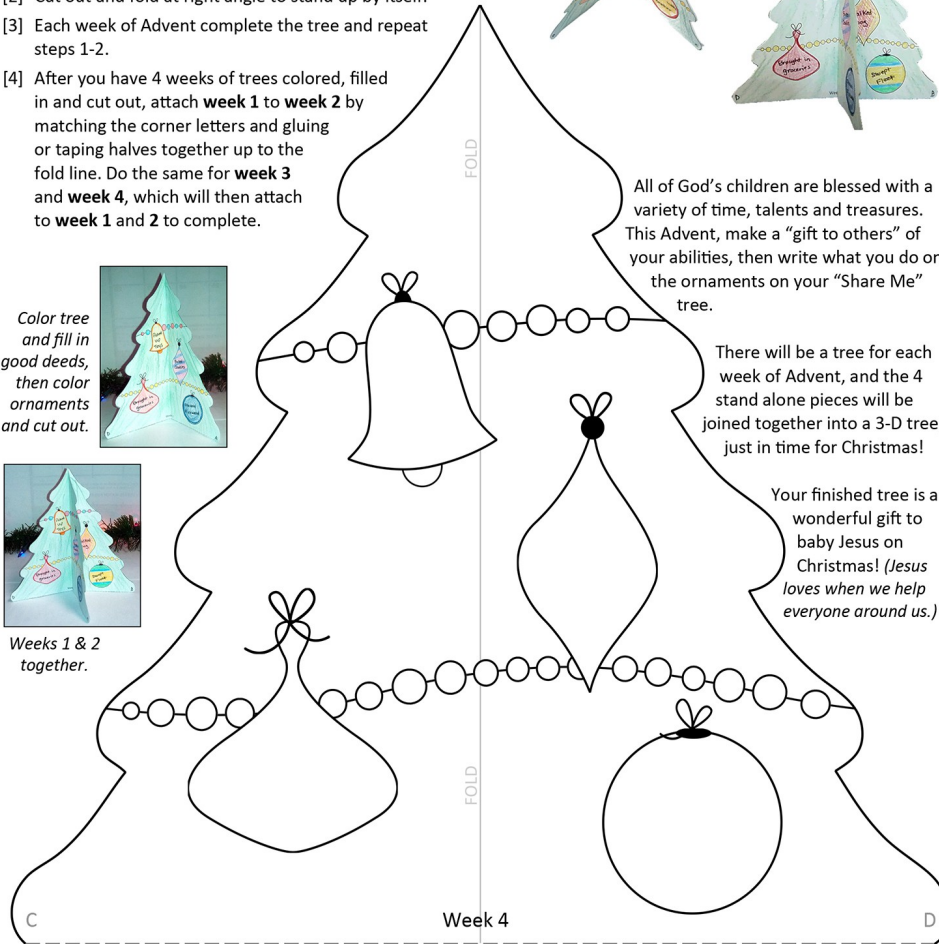


Different angles of completed tree.

Color tree and fill in good deeds, then color ornaments and cut out.



Weeks 1 & 2 together.



All of God's children are blessed with a variety of time, talents and treasures. This Advent, make a "gift to others" of your abilities, then write what you do on the ornaments on your "Share Me" tree.

There will be a tree for each week of Advent, and the 4 stand alone pieces will be joined together into a 3-D tree; just in time for Christmas!

Your finished tree is a wonderful gift to baby Jesus on Christmas! (Jesus loves when we help everyone around us.)



## Fourth Sunday of Advent

## 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!



## The Pope's Monthly Intentions

### December

### For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Saturday, December 20**

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

**Sunday, December 21**

No events scheduled

**Monday, December 22**

No events scheduled

**Tuesday, December 23**

No events scheduled

**Wednesday, December 24**

5:30 & 8:00pm Vigil Masses

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

**Thursday, December 25**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

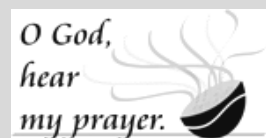
**Friday, December 26**

7:00pm St Valentine Prayer Group



**Please PRAY For The Healing of those listed :**

- ◆ *Anita Juanco*
- ◆ *Jean Frucci*
- ◆ *Cameron Provines*
- ◆ *Janice Mannello*
- ◆ *Rosa Berthachavez Saul*
- ◆ *Damianus Aditya Christie & Joseph*
- ◆ *Nicole Ostering*
- ◆ *Mary Rende, /Faruk, Irfan, Tahsin & Sherit R. & her Sister and for Sema & her family*
- ◆ *Jacob (Maria DaCunha's Grandson)*
- ◆ *Alan Bruce Bradshaw*
- ◆ *Andrea Emilia Bernabey*
- ◆ *Gustavo & Caceres Family*
- ◆ *Rios Family*
- ◆ *Alonso Family*
- ◆ *Santa Cruz Family*
- ◆ *Denise Swantek*



**DAILY READING**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Sunday**

Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

**Monday**

1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

**Tuesday**

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66

**Wednesday**

Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79

**Thursday**

Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

**Friday**

Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22

**Saturday**

1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

*Dear Parishioners,*

*Christmas is a beautiful and holy time of the year. It is when we become more aware of the many gifts God gives us all year - the gift of life, the gift of faith, and the gift of each other.*

*On Christmas, God showed how deeply he loved us by taking flesh and becoming one like us so we could become more like him.*

*All of us here at Saint Valentine Church, priests, and staff, wish you and your family a happy and holy Christmas. I pray that the Christ, whose birth we celebrate, may be present in your hearts and your homes throughout this season of Joy!*

*In the Lord.*

*Rev. Father Andrew Onyemaobi, Pastor*

**Update Corner**





**WE ARE HIS WITNESSES**  
<https://rcan.org/we-are-his-witnesses/>

**Your Voice Matters!** We have conducted more than 420 Listening Sessions throughout the Archdiocese. And we are still gathering insights. We want to ensure your input is included to help shape our future!  
 Scan the QR-code and click **"Model Feedback Form."**  
 Please share your comments by **Dec. 31st.**

**A Few Feedback Snapshots**

“ We are used to our intimate community. ”

“ How do we prevent “us verses them” mentality? ”

“ We should be willing to help/share with our neighbors. ”



**DECEMBER 24TH AT 5.30 PM AND 8.00 PM**



**DECEMBER 25TH AT 8.00 AM, 10.00AM, AND 12.00 NOON**

