

# CHURCH OF SAINT VALENTINE

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 1, 2026



## 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** .....See 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*  
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## 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, February 28

2nd Collection — None

12:00pm Nelia Tonaco (Birthday)  
 From: Nick & Eunice Creer  
 5:30pm Cynthia Balk (Deceased)  
 From: Carol Goldsworthy

### Sunday, March 1

2nd Collection — None

8:00am Stanley Balicki (Deceased)  
 From: Stanley  
 10:00am Panfilo Chan (Deceased)  
 From: Nick & Eunice Creer  
 12:00pm Jaime Virtucio (Deceased)  
 From: Genia Virtucio

### Monday, March 2

12:00pm Marti Carlos (Deceased)  
 From: Corrie & Willie Landicho

### Tuesday, March 3

12:00pm Leonor P. Santos (Birthday)  
 From: Elito & Divina

### Wednesday, March 4

12:00pm Val Cariaga (Birthday)  
 From: Family

### Thursday, March 5

12:00pm Bert Patulot (Deceased)  
 From: Ernie & Cyn Sapalasan

### Friday, March 6

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

### Saturday, March 7

2nd Collection — None

12:00pm Linda Forfa & Family  
 From: Bill & Nannette Jacunski  
 5:30pm Michael Fusaro (Deceased)  
 From: Rosemary Fusaro

### Sunday, March 8 **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

2nd Collection — None

8:00am Paul DiNardo (Deceased)  
 From: Mary DiNardo  
 10:00am Nelson Fernandez (Deceased)  
 From: Natal  
 12:00pm Jeovanni Resus (Deceased)  
 From: Desiree

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

God calls Abraham to leave his family and people and go to a new land. God promises to make the people of this new nation great and to bless Abraham.

### Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Paul, from his place of imprisonment in Rome, writes words of encouragement to Timothy, telling him that Christ is for them everlasting life.

### Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Wishing to reveal His glory to Peter, James and John, Jesus takes them to a mountain where he is transfigured before them. When Peter exclaims that he will build three tabernacles here in honor of Jesus, Moses and Elijah, a voice from above proclaims: "This is My beloved Son on whom My favor rests. Listen to him."

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Maintenance..... \$ 50.00

Archdiocesan Assessment..... \$ 15.00

Black & Indian Catholic Relief.....\$ 712.00

Eastern Europe..... \$ 201.00

Solemnity of Mary..... \$ 3.00

**TOTAL..... \$4,025.00**

**Electronic Giving..... \$ 192.83**

*Thank your 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]

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

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

New Registration    Change of Address    Moving Out of Parish

## < KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today  
Second Sunday of Lent | Matthew 17:1-9

Year A

On the mountain Jesus is Transfigured and appears with Moses and Elijah, who in the old testament both remind the people to "Obey God". Jesus tells Peter, James and John to believe and obey Him and keep this vision a secret until the resurrection.

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## Believe... Obey God



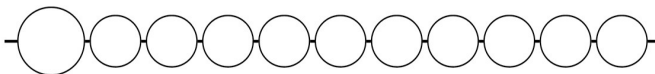
Find and write the missing letters not listed (from A to Z).

Unscramble the letters and fill in the blanks to complete the sentence below.

"This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.  
\_\_\_\_\_ to him!" *Matthew 17:5*

The Second Sorrowful Mystery -  
The Scourging at the Pillar

Think about this mystery before praying.  
Jesus obeyed His Father and suffered for our sins.



**This week:** Say an Our Father and color the large bead - say 10 Hail Mary's and color each small bead. End with the Glory Be to the Father. Tell Jesus you are sorry for your sins.

**FREE Virtual SAT Mock Exam**  
Offered to St. Valentine Parish Youth

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**Who Should Attend:**


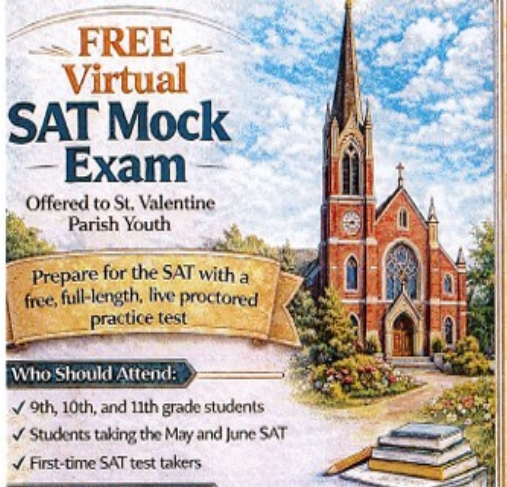
- ✓ 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students
- ✓ Students taking the May and June SAT
- ✓ First-time SAT test takers

**What Students Receive:**

- ✓ Full-length, SAT-style mock exam
- ✓ Detailed diagnostic score report & study tips

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[www.sefiatutors.com/community](http://www.sefiatutors.com/community)

**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

### March

#### For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Saturday, February 28

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist [Chapel]

### Sunday, March 1

Annual Appeal Video In Masses

### Monday, March 2

No events scheduled

### Tuesday, March 3

No events scheduled

### Wednesday, March 4

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Liturgy of the Word [Chapel]

### Thursday, March 5

7:00pm Rosary Adoration

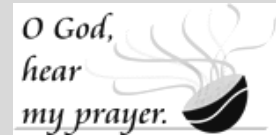
### Friday, March 6

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

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



### SAVE THE DATE:

March 1st Fish Fry Luncheon  
**TICKETS ON SALE AFTER ALL MASSES**  
 2pm Church Hall

April 24th Tricky Tray 6pm Church Hall



## DAILY READING SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### Sunday

Gn 12:1-4a; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

### Monday

Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

### Tuesday

Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

### Wednesday

Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

### Thursday

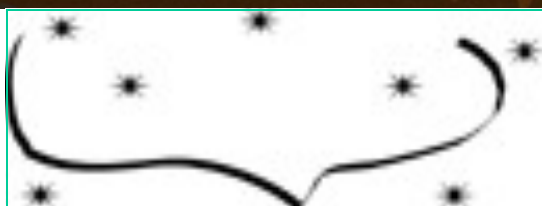
Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

### First Friday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

### First Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32





**FRIDAYS  
7:00PM**



**Archdiocese of Newark**  
OFFICE OF THE VICAR GENERAL

**2026 LENTEN REGULATIONS**

- 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.
- The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
- 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.
- The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 22** to **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 31, 2026.**

**EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

The Worship Office is Sponsoring workshops in English and Spanish to train (or Renew) extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion on:

**Saturday, March 28, from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center. Please contact the Worship Office at 973-497-4345 if you have any questions or [olivia.gasper@rcan.org](mailto:olivia.gasper@rcan.org).**

**Please inform the Rectory Office if you wish to proceed and to Register. Thank you.**



**Looking for a Family Retreat Day during Lent?**

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**SATURDAY  
MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup> 2026  
8:30 AM TO 5:00 PM**

Adults, students, and families are welcome



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**2026  
St. Mary's 13th Annual  
St. Joseph Feast Day Celebration**  
*Come One, Come All to Celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary*

**Day One - Tue, March 10**  
Rev. Kenneth D. Brightenti  
"Good St. Joseph: A Man for All Seasons"

**Day Two - Wed, March 11**  
Rev. Joseph Pavone  
"St. Joseph: Patron of the Universal Church"

**Day Three - Thu, March 12**  
Most. Rev. Bismarck Chau  
Regional Bishop of Hudson County  
"The Fiat of St. Joseph"

**Day Four - Fri, March 13**  
Most Rev. Nicholas DiMarzio  
Bishop Emeritus of Brooklyn  
"St. Joseph: The Father"



**Day Five - Sat, March 14**  
(5:00 PM Mass)  
Rev. Eugene Field  
"St. Joseph: The Just Man"

**Day Six - Sun, March 15**  
Msgr. Leonard Troiano  
"St. Joseph: A Quiet Man and Spiritual Father"

**Day Seven - Mon, March 16**  
Very Rev. Cav. Thomas D. Nicastro, V.F., K.H.S.  
"St. Joseph, Silent Knight, Princely Knight, Holy Knight"

**Day Nine - Wed, March 18**  
Most Rev. Manuel A. Cruz, D.D.  
Regional Bishop of Essex County  
"St. Joseph, Man of Silence"

**Day Eight - Tue, March 17**  
Msgr. Robert Coleman  
"St. Joseph, the Dreamer"

**The Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary**  
**Thursday, March 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Celebrant: Reverend John Paladino, K.H.S.**  
*"St. Joseph: Consolation of the Afflicted in the Hidden Struggles of Life"*

**The Novena**

Tuesday, March 10th to Wednesday, March 18th  
7:00 P.M. in Church

The Novena on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> will be held during the 5 PM Mass  
**The Solemnity of St. Joseph, Solemn Mass**  
Thursday, March 19th, 7:00 P.M. in the Church  
Followed by the St. Joseph Altar, Table and Dinner