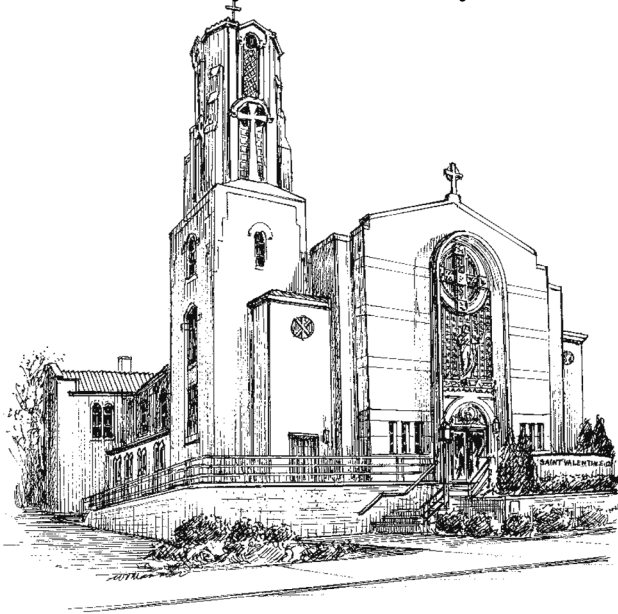


Seventh Sunday of Easter, May 13, 2018



Church of

# ST. VALENTINE

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**MASSES**

**Saturday at 5:30PM.,**

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

**Weekdays: Monday thru Saturday**

**8:00AM. 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 1:00PM (also by appointment).

**PARISH OFFICE**

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**ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK**

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 faith formation and growth as a Christian, and participate 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. Also, please let us know if you need collection envelopes.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY May 12** (Sts. Nereus, Achilleus & Pancras, Martyrs)  
**5:30 pm Jason Borowy** (Mary Ellen Borowy)

**SUNDAY May 13 (Seventh Sunday of Easter)**  
**8:00 am The People of the Parish**  
**10:00 am Santo & Beatrice Perri** (Cristina Gabriele)  
**12:00 pm Pasquale DiDonato** (Nicole Mazzeo)

**MONDAY May 14 (St. Matthew, Apostle)**  
**8:00 am Adelina Marzan** (Pacita Tibay)

**TUESDAY May 15** (St. Isidore the Farmer)  
**8:00 am Rodrigo Bernardo** (Elito & Divina Santos)

**WEDNESDAY May 16**  
**8:00 am Dolores Kozakiewicz** (Get Well, Ted Kozakiewicz)

**THURSDAY May 17**  
**8:00 am Marinda Chan** (Birthday, Creer Family)

**FRIDAY May 18** (St. John I, Pope & Martyr)  
**8:00 am Joseph Zanko** (Sayar Family)

**SATURDAY May 19**  
**8:00 am Carmine & Lily Giaquinto** (Sarno Family)  
**5:30 pm Richard Hansen** (Hansen Family)

**SUNDAY May 20 (Pentecost Sunday)**  
**8:00 am Rita Lynch** (Gerry & Leila Chanco)  
**10:00 am The People of the Parish**  
**12:00 pm Mauro Girardi** (Girardi Family)

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

**Dt 4: 32-34, 39-40; Ps 33: 4-6, 9, 18-20, 22;  
 Rom 8: 14-17; Mt 28: 16-20**

**CHURCH COLLECTION**

**Sunday Collection on 5/6/2018: \$4,277.00**

**Thank you for your financial support. I encourage you to give more to the parish. Our collection has not even been enough to pay for the regular fixed costs of the parish, let alone the other expenditures that we incur in our repairs of the buildings. Our Church air-conditioning is being repaired because of a leak in the water cooler sump.**

**- Fr Basil Lek.**

**CALENDAR OF EVENT**

**SUNDAY May 13 (Seventh Sunday of Easter)**  
**Happy Mother's Day!**

**TUESDAY May 15** (St. Isidore the Farmer)  
**8:00 pm Liturgy of the Word** (Rectory)

**THURSDAY May 17**  
**8:00 pm Adult Choir Practice** (Church)

**FRIDAY May 18** (St. John I, Pope & Martyr)  
**8:00 pm Prayer Group** (Chapel)

**SATURDAY May 19**  
**1:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Church)  
**2:00 pm Women's A.A.** (Rectory)  
**7:30 pm Catechumenal Eucharist** (Rectory)

**SUNDAY May 20 (Pentecost Sunday)**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Communicating God's Word**  
**8:30 am-12 pm Pancake Breakfast** (Church Hall)

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

**Again, we congratulate our First Holy Communion Candidates, their parents, godparents & friends. Thank you to Patti Valentovic, Josephine Sarno and all our Catechists for their help and support. In last week's Bulletin, some names were missing from the list, sorry for the error. This is the full list :**

<b>Sophia Curtinez</b>	<b>Ella Kayhart</b>
<b>Sebastian Curtinez</b>	<b>Jonathan Martinez</b>
<b>Mia Diaz</b>	<b>Caleb Olaso</b>
<b>Rey Diaz</b>	<b>Jaden Quispe</b>
<b>Alanna Estrada</b>	<b>Emma Rodriguez</b>
<b>Corey Gonch</b>	<b>George Stolberg</b>
<b>Chloe Gonnella</b>	<b>Nyet Zemichael</b>

**The Altar Bread & Wine Offering &  
 The Sanctuary Candle Offering for  
 Sunday May 13, 2018  
 is offered in loving memory of:  
 Richard Allen Vaughn**



**Donated by:  
 Vaughn Family**



### A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners

In this Sunday's Gospel (Jn 17: 11b-19), Jesus prayed to God the Father for his Church. While Jesus was with them, he protected his disciples from the poison of the devil, but now that he is ascending to the Father, he ask the Father to *keep them from the evil one*.

Jesus says to the Father, *"I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world."* The word of God liberates us from the lies of the world. The origin of these lies and deception is Satan, and he has poisoned the world with his evil. The word of God is truth. That's why Jesus asks the Father, *"Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth."* Because God has opened our eyes to the truth, we do not belong to the world anymore. We live in the world, but we belong to God.

In fact, the world hates Christians because those who have swallowed the lies of Satan with his fake news, fake facts and fake "rights" want to live in darkness. They cannot stand the truth. Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life. We come to know the love and goodness of God the Father through Jesus Christ (cf. Jn 14: 6). But Satan wants the world to reject all of God's goodness and truth so that people in the world would waste their time chasing after things that cannot give life nor nourish the soul. So, the deceived people continue to be starved of any connection with the Spirit of God, deluded into thinking that they can be self-sufficient onto themselves. Separated from God, one is alone with the devil who cons us into living a flat existence trying to get our happiness from earthly things and relationships. The Church's mission is to bring people into a relationship with God the Eternal One; to know a love that last forever.

- Fr. Basil Lek.

### LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the following infirmed:

Arthur Drone,  
Michele Sewask,  
Lorraine Noack,  
Abigail Mehring,



Dennis Hayes, Rose Carroll, Rosemarie Michelle,  
Dolores Kozakiewicz, Nicole Maiore &  
Loretta Eustachewich.

Carmela Storm,  
Walter Boyle,  
Ralph Gaccione,  
Colbie Derborow,

#### A REMINDER:

If you would like the Church to pray for a parishioner, relative or friend, or if you no longer need us to pray for a person on the Parish Sick List, please call the Parish Office at (973) 743-0220.

### May is the Month of our Mother Mary

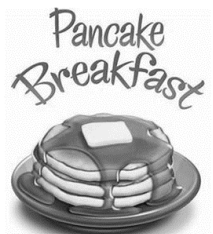
Mary is the Mother of the Church and our Mother. In the Church, we crown Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth. As Jesus Christ loves his Mother and is devoted to her, let us devote ourselves to Mary, the Queen Mother, and let us pray the ROSARY daily in the month of May. The Virgin Mary asks us to pray the Rosary as the Rosary is Christ-centered. In the Rosary, we join Jesus Christ in the saving mission of the Church which is the salvation of souls.



### PENTECOST SUNDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join us for a Pancake Breakfast on Pentecost Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> in celebration of the birthday of the Church.

Starting at 8:30am until 12pm  
In the Church Hall. Come enjoy  
Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sau-  
sages, Croissants, Juice, Coffee  
and Tea. Eat all you can!



Organized by the Fundraising Committee.  
Tickets are \$10 each. Tickets will be on sale at  
the Vestibule of the Church after the Masses.

Come hungry, and stay happy!

### ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK!!!

Thank you to our Advertisers who sponsor this Bulletin. We would like to highlight one of our Sponsors each week who have advertised their businesses in our Church Bulletin.

Advertiser of the week is:

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### ST. VALENTINE ALTAR SERVERS



Come serve the Lord at the liturgy of the Mass. Adults & Children who have received their First Holy Communion may join. Training begins in June 2018.

Our Co-Ordinators are Marty & Minnie Gregorowicz. Parent, please call the Rectory Office at 974-743-0220, or let Fr. Basil know if your son or daughter is interested.

### St. Valentine Family Festival 2018

**Do you have leadership or organizational qualities?** We are looking for three people to coordinate the outside kitchen. One person can take charge each day of the festival. Three people will make it easier to volunteer. For questions call: Lisa Campanella 973-566-0972 or email [webber1964@yahoo.com](mailto:webber1964@yahoo.com)

The position of outside Super 50/50 sales is also available.

This is the Parish's largest fundraiser. If it is going to continue we need people to step up to help coordinate this event.



**DO IT FOR THE PARISH, DO IT FOR FAMILY!**

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### CATECHISTS NEEDED!

If God is helping you to live your Christian life according to the teachings of Christ and his Church, perhaps God is inviting you to serve as a Catechist of our parish. Please consider sharing the **faith, hope and love** that God has put into your heart with the children of our parish. It is an important and rewarding ministry. The need is imminent and the rewards are heavenly. Guidance, training and materials will be provided.



#### CATECHIST'S AIDES ARE ALSO NEEDED!



If you can spare an hour on Sunday when classes are in session (11am to 12:15pm), won't you consider helping out in the classroom by assisting a Catechist? High school students also welcome.

Sessions for the coming scholastic year start up on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please prayerfully consider serving as a Catechist or a Catechist's Aide. For more information, contact Josephine Sarno at: (973) 743-6122.

### OVERNIGHT PARKING

**ALL PARKING SPACES BELONGING TO SAINT VALENTINE CHURCH IS PRIVATE PROPERTY.** The monthly fee for private car owners who park their cars at their own risk throughout the night is \$100 per month.



Overnight parking will be available at the parking lots across from the Church Building along East Passaic Avenue. No commercial vehicles are allowed to park in our parking lots. **VEHICLES THAT DO NOT HAVE PERMISSION TO PARK OVERNIGHT WILL BE TICKETED AND TOWED AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE.**

Please contact the Rectory during office hours: 9am - 4pm, Mondays - Fridays. Tel: 973-743-0220.