

St. Valentine Church Heartline



Mission Statement: Guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to live and share the Good News of Jesus Christ so that all may come to know God. As a Catholic Church and School Community we welcome, serve, teach, learn, reconcile and provide comfort and hope in the spirit of St Valentine.

September 12,
2021

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” - Mk 8:34b

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Happy Grandparents Day!

Liturgy Schedule

Mass Intentions

Monday—September 13, St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Loretto

Tuesday—September 14, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:30 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Loretto

Wednesday—September 15, Our Lady of Sorrows

No Mass at St. Valentine or Our Lady of Loretto

Thursday—September 16, Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church
Alex Roberge req. by The Butler and Dillon Families

Friday—September 17, Weekday, St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church
Helene Roggers Skora req. by The Skora Family

Salvatore Caruso req. by Graziano Canini

Saturday—September 18, Weekday

5:30 p.m. Mass in Church
Landon Lubaway req. by The Family

Maureen Estermyer req. by Friends

Claire Palmer (11th anniversary) and Charles Babbcock req. by The Family

Judge John Dillon req. by The Family

Sunday—September 19, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church
Salvatore Caruso req. by Graziano Canini

12 noon Mass in Church
Special intention req. by The Tworek Family

Salvatore Caruso req. by Graziano Canini

Let us pray for those who are ill and have asked for our prayer:

Judi Marshall
Josiah Wardrop
John Dillon
Colleen Devine
Clara Macek
Autumn

Pattenaude
Carol Sneary
Joan Reilly
Barb Schenden
Andrew Ricotta
Jeanette

Shamma
Enrico Canini
Dan Jenkins
Tony Janisse
Patricia Longo
Mike Rodriguez
Dick Nelson

Bette Dishman
Rita Barthlow
Parish Family
Marcia Favor
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Mary Card
Fadia West
Paul Milewski
Laurene

Boskovich
Gerry Mularoni
Christine Stanievich
Grace Oku
Dee Loveday
Mark Curtin

Readings for the week of September 12, 2021

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a
Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]
Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8
Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor 11:26b]
Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: Nm 21:4b-9
Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]
Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16
Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16
Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]
Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12
Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20
Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16
Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]
Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20
Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]
Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Lost and Found

A pair of glasses were found after Mass in Church 3 weeks ago. Please call the Parish Office 313-532-4394.

Jesus' Grandparents

Question:

July 26 is the feast of Joachim and Anna. Who are they and what do we know about them?

Answer:

Joachim and Anna are the parents of Mary, the mother of Jesus, yet there is absolutely no biblical reference to them whatsoever. So where do we get their names, and what is their story?

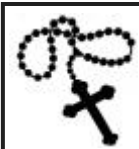
Their names are found in an apocryphal (hidden) gospel known as "The Infancy Gospel of James." Apocryphal, or hidden gospels, consist of accounts of Jesus' life that were ultimately not accepted as inspired works, and thus were not included in the Bible. However, they sometimes captured the Christian imagination, spilling into the devotional dimension of the community.

James' infancy gospel begins with the parents of Mary and their desire for a child. In their prayer and petitions to God, they are heard and given the blessings of a child, whom they named Mary. While we have no idea who



Prayer Requests

We enjoy hearing the good news of recovery and extend our deepest sympathy to those who have departed. Please contact the parish office 313-532-4394 for any changes.



All Are Invited

Join us on the 13th of the month thru October...Fr. Socorro will be praying the rosary in the Church at 6 p.m. all are invited to join him.

Collection for September 5, not available at time of printing.

Please know the information you are reading today was submitted to the printer on September 2nd.



We offer our deepest sympathy to Frances Rea upon the death of her mother, Espelanza Rea and to the family of Shirley Tracey. May all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



From Faith Formation

Can You Walk the Walk?

I've met and talked with enough people to feel confident that if you polled 100 fallen-away Catholics about why they didn't want anything to do with the Church, the term "accountability" would pop up in almost all of their answers.

And to be fair, a lack of accountability isn't just a Catholic problem. Talking the talk but not walking the walk has been a shortcoming handed down throughout the ages, across all creeds and nationalities.

Loving our neighbor, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, feeding the poor — it all sounds fantastic, especially when we're the ones saying it. But the doing — well, that's a different story, isn't it? We would do well to remember that Christ calls one of his best friends "Satan" when Peter tries to convince Jesus to stray from his destiny.

Have you ever been called Satan by one of your good buddies? I'll bet it's not a great feeling. But think about what Peter was doing. He had just said, "You are the Christ." And now, mere moments later, he's saying: "Don't say these things. Don't say you're going to suffer. Don't say you'll be killed."

He was telling Christ to squander what the Lord had given him. He was telling him that having faith was fine, but being faithful? It's just a little too hard. God has a destiny for you, too, and He's asking you to be open to it. Maybe it's not in your comfort zone. Maybe you don't think you can do it.

Lord, give us faith — but help us, also, to do the work.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes will begin on Monday, September 27th. Please be sure to register before classes begin.

Thank you.



Faith Formation News

If you have a child preparing next year for First Communion, Reconciliation or Confirmation and do not attend a Catholic school, please be sure to register them for Faith Formation classes.

We are also accepting registrations for grades 1-8. Registration sheets can be found in the back of church.

If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 313-532-4394 x201.

Bonnie

Catechetical Sunday

Catechetical Sunday is next Sunday, September 19th. Please keep all catechists in your prayers as they prepare for the upcoming school year.

The theme for Catechetical Sunday is: Say the word and my soul shall be healed."

Right to Life-Lifespan

**Life Chain 2021
October 3rd
2:00 to 3:30 pm**



RCIA

If you know of anyone interested in becoming Catholic, please invite them to contact the Parish Office at 313-532-4394 and ask for Fr. Socorro. If you are interested yourself in learning more about our Faith, you are also invited to attend the RCIA sessions.

Classes will begin in October.



Fun Run/Walk Events –Sept. 19

- Mini Volts—ages 3-6
- Family Friends Teams—3 or more
- Senior Shuffle—Over age 65
- Home Made Spaghetti Dinner
- Bake Sale
- Come One—Come All!!!

**Liturgical Ministers—
September 18—5:30 p.m.**
Sacristan: L. Wierimaa & M. Thill
Lector:
EMHC:
Usher:
September 19—8:30 a.m.
Sacristan: M. Fron
Lector: M. Marley
EMHC:
Usher:
September 19— 12 noon
Sacristan:
Lector: F. & P. Foster
EMHC:
Usher:

Fun Run/Walk and Spaghetti Dinner

September 19th

**Reminder to Runners/Walkers
Please note the new packet
pick up times**

Runners and Walkers don't forget to pick up your "packet" on Friday, September 17th 3:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m., Saturday, September 18th 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. or Sunday, September 19th from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the School Meeting Room. At this time we are accepting walk-ins for the race.

Spaghetti Dinner

If you are interested in attending the dinner only, we would appreciate it if you please submit a registration form.

However, walk-ins will be welcome.

Honor Guard Needed

We are looking for active servicemen and women who are serving in the armed forces, reserves or any veterans to participate in the Honor Guard at the Fun Run. Please call Ron Fron at 313-815-8840 to participate.

Bake Sale

Our 8th graders are sponsoring a bake sale at the Fun Run dinner. If you would like to donate a baked good, they would appreciate it! The monies raised will help with their graduation expenses. You may drop off your goodies at the Gym on Saturday or Sunday morning.

Thank you!

**Spaghetti Dinner Set Up
If you can spare an hour on Friday,
September 17th, we will be setting
up the gym at 6 pm.**

52 Sundays

Take Time to Chat

- How would you describe Jesus to someone who does not know him?
- What was the reaction of the disciples when Jesus told him about his passion, death and resurrection? Do you think they were confused?
- Why was it important for Peter to not impede God's plan?



Fun Facts

The first Sunday after Labor Day was designated Grandparents Day in 1979. Marian Lucille Herndon McQuade championed the effort to create

Grandparents Day.

Liturgy Link

How many crosses and crucifixes do you see at church today?

Family Fun

20 Questions Game

In today's Gospel, Jesus asked questions of his disciples. Playing this simple game will not only remind us of the gospel, but also improves deductive reasoning.

One person thinks of an object and the other players ask up to 20 "yes" or "no" questions to determine, through the process of elimination, what the object is. To narrow down the categories, consider questions such as: Is it living or has it lived? Is it an animal? Does it grow from the ground? Is it a vegetable?

The winner is determined by whether the person who thought of an object is able to successfully answer each of the 20 questions without giving away the object OR whether the person who is asking the questions is able to correctly guess the object in 20 or less questions.

**Meet Our Extended Family
Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian
Feast Day September 16
D. 253,258**

St. Cornelius was elected to succeed St. Fabian as the bishop of Rome (pope), after Fabian was killed in a persecution in the year 250. The Church faced not only persecution, but also opposition from within. A priest named Novatian denied the Church's authority to forgive apostasy. Novatian and his followers believed that those who renounced the faith could not be accepted back into the Church even if they had repented. Novatian had himself consecrated as a rival Bishop of Rome, thereby becoming an anti-

pope. St. Cornelius called a council of bishops together to settle the dispute. The council condemned Novatian's view. Pope Cornelius, backed by St. Cyprian and other bishops, upheld the Church's teaching, and allowed sinners to do penance and return to the Church. In 253, St. Cornelius was exiled by the authorities, and died a martyr soon afterwards.

St. Cyprian was a famous lawyer and orator in North Africa. He didn't become a Christian until age 46, then later became a priest and the Bishop of Carthage. St. Cyprian went into hiding during the Roman persecution of 250, to allow himself to continue ministering to his people. He, like Cornelius, had to deal with the beliefs of Novatian. During this time another priest took over his position and then forgave all those who renounced the faith without requiring any penance of them at all. This position was too lenient, and Cyprian succeeded in having it condemned by the Church. New persecutions broke out under Emperor Valerian. St. Cyprian was arrested and tried for being a Christian. When he was read his death sentence, he exclaimed "Blessed be God!" He was martyred in 258.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them.

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Golden Years

Come join the Golden Years Club for cards, coffee and conversation on Tuesday's at 12:30 a.m. in the School

Meeting Room. Please join us!

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Mary's parents really were, the fact that we celebrate the feast of Joachim and Anna indicates that the bond of family love is important in the Christian life.

Long before Grandparents' Day was established, the church had a feast that honored the presumed grandparents of Jesus. While their names are part of non-inspired apocryphal legends, the fact of the Savior's human ancestry is not. Christ, the incarnate Word, dwelt among us in the flesh in a human family. In honoring the grandparents of Jesus we really proclaim our faith in the Incarnation--God becoming human!
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Men's Club Meeting
Wednesday, September 15th
8 pm
In the School Meeting Room/Gym
All men are invited and welcome to attend.

Women's Club Meeting
Thursday, September 30th
8 pm
In the School Meeting Room
All women are invited and welcome to attend.

Support of U.S. Armed Forces



As a parish community we would like to support the men and women serving in our Armed Forces with our prayer.

Lord, Hold these men and women in your loving hands and protect them as they protect us and bless them for their selfless acts. We pray for peace in our world.

Michael Arsenault, David DeAngelis, Christopher LePain, Patricia Molloy, Scott Shoemaker, Christopher Tabei, Joshua Coe, Anthony Potter, Andrew Kliman, Luke Leveillee, Michael Cain, Kristen Lauber, Frank Bordo, Bonda Bordo, Larry Silk, Bradley Swanson, Gary Semon, Brian Jones, Seth DeTavernier, Timothy Mc Carthy, Rob Nitz, Jesse Moore, Michael J. Ryan, Daniel T. Ryan, Justin Ryan, Micheal Nalepa, Steven Tomlinson and Alex Blackwell.

We also pray for all first responders and law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line to keep us safe at home.

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Choir Practice

Thursday 7:30 p.m.

Mass Schedule

Saturday evening: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 and 12:00 noon

Daily Mass in Church

Thursday & Friday 8:30 a.m.

Holyday Schedule

Holyday: 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Confession—Thursday 6:00 p.m.— 6:30 p.m. or by appointment

Saturday afternoon at Our Lady of Loretto 2:30 p.m.-3:45 p.m. or by appointment

Baptism

Prior arrangements must be made by calling the Parish Office. Parents must attend an informational meeting.

Matrimony

Arrangements for Matrimony must be made at least six months in advance.

Catechumenate-RCIA

Please call the Parish Office for more information.

St. Valentine Parish Office Hours

Summer Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30—12 noon

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