



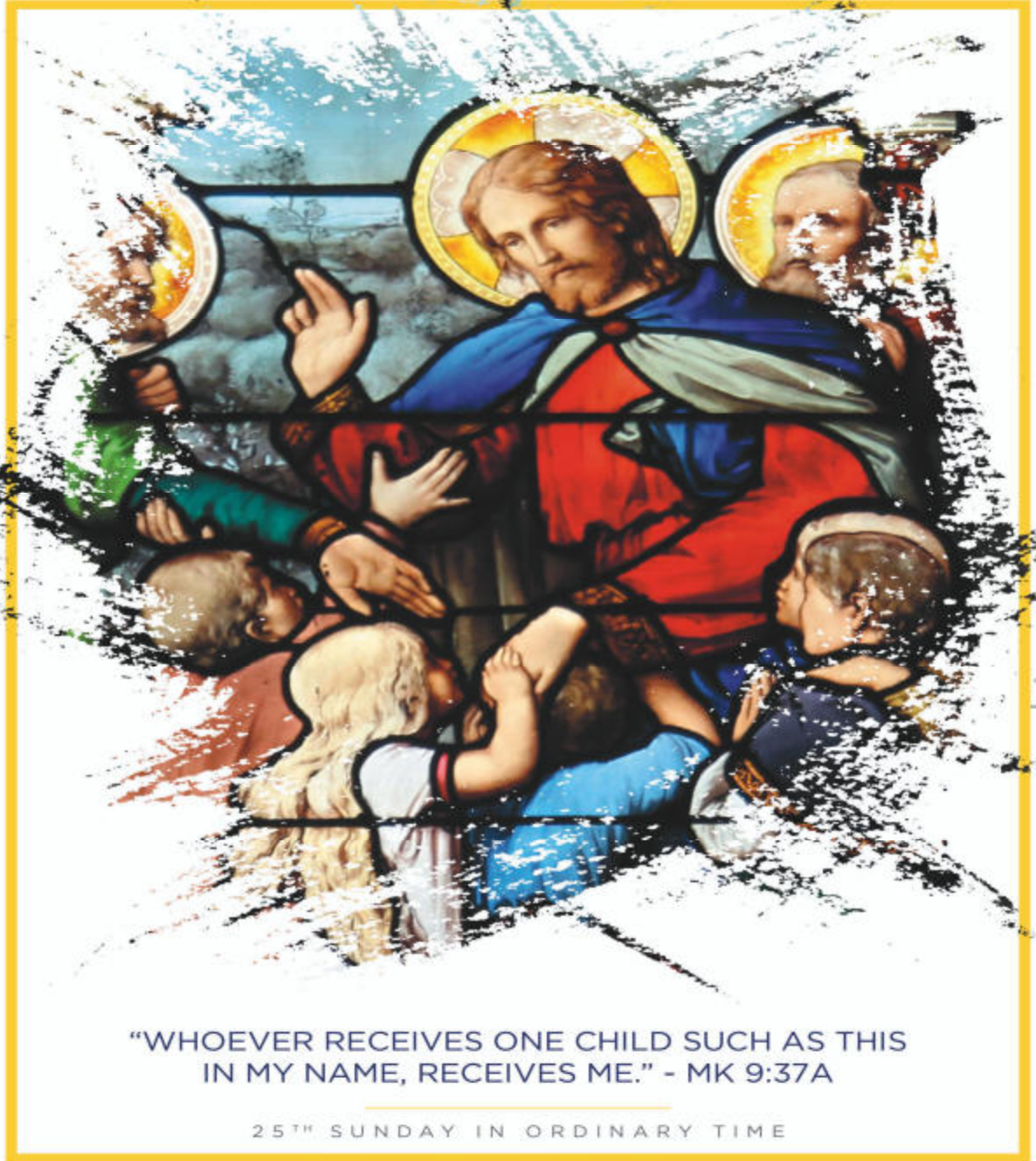
St. Valentine Church Heartline

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 19,
2021

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“WHOEVER RECEIVES ONE CHILD SUCH AS THIS
IN MY NAME, RECEIVES ME.” - MK 9:37A

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Fun Run—Walk and Spaghetti Dinner Today
Walk-ins are welcome for running/walking and dinner!

Liturgy Schedule
Mass Intentions

Monday—September 20, Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

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

Tuesday— September 21, St. Matthew, apostle and Evangelist

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

Wednesday—September 22, Weekday

No Mass at St. Valentine or Our Lady of Loretto

Thursday— September 23, Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

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

Helene Roggers Skora req. by
The Skora Family

Friday—September 24, Weekday

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

Salvatore Caruso req. by
Graziano Canini

Saturday—September 25, Weekday

5:30 p.m. Mass in Church
Frank & Michelle Gwiazda & daughters, Sophie & Adele req. by
The Skora Family

Salvatore Caruso req. by
Graziano Canini

Hugh Doody req. by Jan Doody

Sunday—September 26, Twenty– Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

12 noon Mass in Church
Shirley Zimmerman req. by St.

Valentine Mixed Bowling League
All living and deceased members of St. Valentine Parish



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

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| Judi Marshall | Maureen Polania |
| Josiah Wardrop | Tom Beaudoin |
| John Dillon | Brent Schriber |
| Colleen Devine | Cyndee Danic |
| Clara Macek | Art Kolasa |
| Autumn | Janice Modes |
| Pattenaude | Edward Zettler |
| Carol Sneary | Robert Koenig |
| Joan Reilly | Molly Haduch |
| Barb Schenden | Loretta Kemp |
| Andrew Ricotta | Jim Kimpton |
| Jeanette | Ricardo Silva |
| Shamma | Terry Galloway |
| Enrico Canini | Mary Card |
| Dan Jenkins | Fadia West |
| Tony Janisse | Paul Milewski |
| Patricia Longo | Laurene |
| Mike Rodriguez | Boskovich |
| Dick Nelson | Gerry Mularoni |
| Bette Dishman | Christine |
| Rita Barthlow | Stanievich |
| Parish Family | Grace Oku |
| Marcia Favor | Dee Loveday |
| Suzy Cervi | Mark Curtin |
| Paul Danic | Norbert Romej |
| Marilyn Mootsey | Rick Paquette |
| Judy Gregory | |

We offer our deepest sympathy to Lisa Alexander upon the death of her sister, Beth Ann Sperry and to the family and friends of Bill McKeever. May all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Fall Clean Up—Looking for Help

Our heartfelt thanks go to Betty Sharon, Kathy Burger-Reece, Ray Mote, Barbara Cunningham, and Bob MacDonell; their dedicated watering and gardening throughout this summer kept our plants living and yielding beautiful flowers for us to enjoy God's Majesty.

Unfortunately, it soon will be time to remove the decaying flowers, and ready the grounds for winter. Please set aside Saturday, October 2nd, 9 am-12 pm, for fall clean up around the church and school. Please bring tools, paper bags, and come join a bunch of fun volunteers. Many hands certainly make the work lighter!!

All the best, and hope to see you on Saturday, October 2nd!!

Warm regards,
Eileen MacDonell

Readings for the week of September 19, 2021

- Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20
Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]
Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37
- Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6
Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]
Lk 8:16-18
- Tuesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13
Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]
Mt 9:9-13
- Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9
Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]
Lk 9:1-6
- Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8
Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]
Lk 9:7-9
- Friday:** Hg 2:1-9
Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]
Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a
Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]
Lk 9:43b-45
- Next Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29
Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]
Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Lost and Found

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

Video Series Continues

Please join us as we explore the video series of *The Bible and the Virgin Mary, Journey through scripture session "Handmaid of the Lord"* 10:30am-11:45am. See you there. We will meet in the Parish Office Meeting Room.

September 5, 2021

Budgeted Amount	\$6,500.00
Actual Collected	<u>\$7,547.00</u>
	\$1,047.00

2nd Collection, School	\$ 606.00
Assumption	\$ 25.00
Contingency	\$ 36.00
Needy	\$ 62.00

September 12, 2021

Budgeted Amount	\$ 6,500.00
Actual Collected	<u>\$ 7,129.00</u>
	\$ 629.00

Second Collection	
For the Needy	\$ 745.00
Contingency	\$ 522.00



From Faith Formation

Catechetical Sunday

**This years theme:
Say the word and my soul shall
be healed**

Today is Catechetical Sunday and we as a parish extend a special thank you to our Catechists and all volunteers for sharing their faith with our children. We thank you and appreciate your dedication and hard work. Please keep the following in your prayers.

Jacqueline Sigler, Julie Jeffries, Sharon Butler, Lydia Gjinaj, Loreta Gjinaj, Linda Thompson, Adam Yaris, Sylvia Snigier, Rita Nalepa, Tom Beaudoin, Ted Kozlowski, Tom Alexander, Pat Jeffries, Mary Ann Thill, Christine Haverkate, Lindsey Rennie, Nancy McComb, Frankie Nelson-Pawlik, Vivica Townsin, Lori Slevin, Julie Kelly, Roderick Dillard, Patricia Murray, Cathleen Maes, Lauren Hagen, Meghan Ciechanowski, Tammy Carpenter, Susan Franz, Jodie Williams, Marguerite Fears, Louis Martin, Maureen Kelly, Kris Brake, Rachel Damuth and Bonnie Danic.



**Faith Formation News
Classes begin
September 27th**



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

St. Valentine Teacher's Needed

St. Valentine School is looking for **substitute teachers** and to hire a **fourth grade teacher**. If you or anyone you know is interested, please call Mrs. Rachel Damuth at 313-533-7149. Please spread the word!

Thank you!



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.

**Intention of the
Holy Father for September
An Environmentally Sustainable
Lifestyle**

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

CSA—2021

"Fuel the Mission"

Goal: \$47,281

Total Pledged: \$ 55,580

Total Received: \$ 46,980.00

Families pledged: 116

CSA

Thank you to the following families for their pledge/contributions.

Ms. T. McMahon

Mr. & Mrs. Mullett



Liturgical Ministers—

September 25—5:30 p.m.

Sacristan: S. Mote

Lector: R. Gonzales

EMHC:

Usher:

September 26—8:30 a.m.

Sacristan: J. Zatrika

Lector:

EMHC:

Usher:

September 26— 12 noon

Sacristan:

Lector: B. Zimmerman

EMHC:

Usher: M. Nowak

Right to Life-Lifespan

Life Chain 2021

October 3rd

2:00 to 3:30 pm

**Fun Run Walk and Spaghetti
Dinner Today!**



Runners/Walkers Packet Pick Up continues today, Sunday, from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. in the School Meeting Room.

The Mini Volt Run begins at 2:30 p.m., the National Anthem at 2:55 p.m., the Fun Run/Walk at 3:00 p.m. and the Spaghetti Dinner at 4:00 p.m. Awards and raffle prizes will be presented after the dinner. We hope you are coming!

Bake Sale

Our 7th and 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 Sunday morning. Please See Tammy Carpenter for more information.

Thank you!

If you are interested in running/walking and have not registered, please register in the school meeting room by 2:30 pm at the latest.

If you would like to join us for dinner, you may enter the Hope Street door and see the cashier.

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!!!

52 Sundays**Take Time to Chat**

- Was it hard for the disciples to grasp the idea that Jesus would be killed?
- What does Jesus mean when he says, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all"?
- Share a time when you have welcomed someone "in Jesus' name," that is, for the sake of Jesus."

**Fun Facts**

In ancient society, children were viewed as nonpersons who had no legal rights or status of their own. To receive a little one is to accept, lovingly serve, and care for those who need it and cannot repay it.

Liturgy Link

Who comes in during the procession at the beginning of Mass? Who is first and who is last?

Family Fun—Camping

As Jesus and his disciples traveled around Galilee, they most likely camped a lot. Turn your backyard into your own personal campsite! It's a fun and easy way to experience the great outdoors in a way that Jesus did. Turn off technology and enjoy the great outdoors. If the weather is bad, set-up a campground inside your home. Don't forget to sing your favorite camp songs!

Meet Our Extended Family**Bl. Karolina Kozka****(Feast Day November 18)****August 2, 1898-November 18, 1914**

Karolina grew up in a Catholic family in rural Poland in the Diocese of Tarnow. She was one of 11 children. Her family prayed daily and displayed the love of God to her. Often, Karolina would gather neighbors and relatives, mainly children, and they would read the Scriptures together under a pear tree near her home. She loved praying the rosary, using the beads given to her by her mother. Her prayers often caused her to get less sleep than she needed.

She would pray the rosary constantly, and even though it was a long walk to Mass, she would go during the week, in addition to Sunday. Because of her love for serving, she helped her uncle in the library, and she also helped organize things at her parish. In addition to serving the Church she taught her young siblings and the children of the area their catechism. By age 16, Karolina was a beautiful,

enthusiastic girl.

In 1914, World War I broke out in Poland, and in November 1914, the Russian army controlled her city. On November 18, an armed Russian soldier attempted to force himself on her and eventually killed her. Karolina was only 16.

Three thousand people flocked to her funeral and called for her cause for sainthood to be introduced. Pope John Paul II beatified her in Poland.

Family Prayer**Praying with Music**

As a family, listen to the *Song of the Cross (Love Lifted on the Cross)*. You should be able to find the song on YouTube or wherever you stream music. Reflect on the lyrics what Jesus' death and resurrection mean to you.

Coming Up This Week**Monday, September 20th****Tuesday, September 21st**

Golden Years, School Meeting Room – 12:30 am

Parish Council, Parish Office Meeting Room – 6:30 pm

Wednesday, September 22nd**Thursday, September 23rd**

Confessions, Church, 6:00 - 6:30 pm

Choir Practice, Church – 7:30 pm

Friday, September 24th**Saturday, September 25th**

5:30 pm Mass

Sunday, September 26th

8:30 am Mass and 12:00 noon Mass

Prayer Group, Parish Office Meeting Room – 10:30 am—11:45 am

Protecting God's Children Workshop

St. Valentine is sponsoring a PGC Workshop on Thursday, October 7th at 6 p.m. in the School Library. All volunteers must take the archdiocesan PGC Workshop to volunteer in the school, coach, etc. To register please go www.virtus.org and click on First Time Registrant and follow the prompts. If you have any questions, please call the school or parish offices.

**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!

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

Welcome to Our Parish Family
Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Kangas



The Lighter Side

No Pushing

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran, she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late ... But please don't shove me either!" ©LPI

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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Bill Charlton.....	Maintenance
Phil Masserang.....	Maintenance

Faith Formation Office 313-532-4394 x201

Music Minister

Kevin Cushman 313-930-8907

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

Fall/Winter/Spring Hours

Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Saturday & Sunday..... **CLOSED**

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