



# 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.



October 24,  
2021

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Fall Clean Up

What a wonderful fall clean up we had: God graced us with a sunny day on Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, and lots of helpers. In fact, a few helpers came after they helped remove the plastic from the inside of church (due to roofing project): such a dedicated parish family we have. A very warm thank you to Barbara Cunningham, Allison Wright, John Rini, Tony Nichols, George Baughman, Mike Nowak, Mike Stack, Stewart Maier, Keith Vega, Mary Anthony, Linda & Bob Rybka and Bob MacDonell. We got all the beds cleared at the church and school along with much needed tree trimming completed as a bonus. Thank you also to Sylvia Snigier who allowed us to put 22 bags of compost on her curb, along with 20 bags at the school's curb, allowing us to be earth friendly and not use the dumpster. Thanks again everyone for all your efforts to make our part of God's garden look trim and ready for winter: True team work!! Thank you so much for your support and dedication to our parish.

Please plan on helping in May 2022 for spring planting, hopefully we will have some perennials that need to be thinned and shared.

Warmest regards,  
Eileen MacDonell



Our Blood Drive scheduled for October 31st has been cancelled due to Red Cross staffing issues. Our next Blood Drive is scheduled for April 2022.



*Happy 100th Birthday to  
Jo Evangelista!  
From your Parish Family.*



# Liturgy Schedule Mass Intentions

**Monday—October 25, Weekday**

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

**Tuesday— October 26, Weekday**

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

**Wednesday—October 27, Weekday**

No Mass at St. Valentine or Our Lady of Loretto

**Thursday— October 28, Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles**

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church  
*Marilyn Lelek* req. by Graziano Canini

**Friday—October 29, Weekday**

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church  
*Marilyn Lelek* req. by Graziano Canini

**Saturday—October 30, Weekday**

5:30 p.m. Mass in Church  
*Constantine Nosal* req. by The Skora Family

*Landon Lubaway* req. by The Family

*Bill McKeever* req. by Cecelia Gallagher

*Janet Palmer* req. by Bob & Eleanor Bielenda

**Sunday—October 31, Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church  
*Marilyn Lelek* req. by Graziano Canini

12 noon Mass in Church  
*John Taylor* req. by Mike & Sue Daly

*Shirley Zimmerman* req. by The Bravo Family

*Carol Humphry* req. by Brian Humphry

*Enrico & Rudolph Petrini* req. by Alma Petrini

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  
Andrew Ricotta  
Jeanette Shamma  
Enrico Canini  
Dan Jenkins  
Tony Janisse  
Patricia Longo  
Mike Rodriguez  
Dick Nelson  
Bette Dishman  
Rita Barthlow  
Marcia Favor  
Suzy Cervi  
Paul Danic  
Judy Gregory  
Maureen Polania  
Brent Schriber  
Cyndee Danic  
Art Kolasa

Edward Zettler  
Robert Koenig  
Molly Haduch  
Loretta Kemp  
Jim Kimpton  
Ricardo Silva  
Terry Galloway  
Mary Card  
Fadia West  
Paul Milewski  
Laurene Boskovich  
Gerry Mularoni  
Christine Stanievich  
Grace Oku  
Dee Loveday  
Mark Curtin  
Norbert Romej  
Rick Paquette  
Stephanie Shelton  
Debbie Pepp  
Frank Drewno  
Tom Wing  
Claire Keegan  
Daemion Smith  
Robert Donnelly  
Salvador Tapia

**Readings for the week of October 24, 2021**

**Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9  
Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]  
Heb 5:1-6  
Mk 10:46-52  
**Monday:** Rom 8:12-17  
Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21 [21a]  
Lk 13:10-17  
**Tuesday:** Rom 8:18-25  
Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3a]  
Lk 13:18-21  
**Wednesday:** Rom 8:26-30  
Ps 13:4-5, 6 [6a]  
Lk 13:22-30  
**Thursday:** Eph 2:19-22  
Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]  
Lk 6:12-16  
**Friday:** Rom 9:1-5  
Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20  
Lk 14:1-6  
**Saturday:** Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29  
Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18 [14a]  
Lk 14:1, 7-11  
**Next Sunday:** Dt 6:2-6  
Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]  
Heb 7:23-28  
Mk 12:28b-34

**Video Series Continues**

Please join us as we continue with the video series. We meet in the parish office meeting room at 10:30am-11:45am. See you there.  
Oct 24th—The Promised Mother  
Oct 31st—Mother Crowned in Glory

**Intention of the Holy Father for October Missionary Disciples**

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

**October 17, 2021**

Budgeted Amount	\$ 6,500.00
Actual Collected	\$ 5,628.00
	\$ (248.00)
Monthly Online Giving	\$ 540.00
Second Collection	
For the Needy	\$ 605.00
All Souls	\$ 435.00
Heating	\$ 80.00



**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.



**Marriage Banns**

April Purdin  
and  
Joseph Cadeau



**November 14 Enrollment Mass for First Eucharist and Confirmation Candidates and their parents November 14th at the 12 Mass.**

**October Rosaries**

The rosary will be said a half hour before all the weekend Masses in October.





**From Faith Formation**

**Mark 12:28-34 –**

**What is most important?**

Jesus threatened the comfortable life of hypocrisy the scribes and pharisees enjoyed at the expense of the Jewish people. They worked to discredit Him by tempting Him to say something that violated Jewish law. The strategy never worked for them. In fact, Jesus' wisdom impressed one of the scribes so much that he asked to hear more. He sincerely wanted to learn from Jesus' answer.

The scribe asked which of the commandments was most important. Jesus said everything starts and ends with love – love of God and love of each other. To love God is to love one another. They are as inseparable as the beams of the cross. While it is easy to love God, loving others is more difficult.

**What can a parent do?** True love of neighbor is measured by how we treat those who are neither family nor friends. It means including people when the natural inclination is to exclude or avoid them. Remind children that Jesus loved thieves, lepers, even His political enemies. This is how God loves and He wants us to do the same.

**Confirmation**

Two weeks ago we had our first informational Confirmation meeting in the church with the candidates and their parents. We look forward to preparing these young teenagers for the Sacrament. At this time we will have 19 students receive the Sacrament in March. Please keep the families and their teachers, Ms. Hagen, Mr. Kozlowski and Mr. Beaudoin in your prayers.

**CSA Thank You**

Thank you to the following for their recent pledges/contributions.  
 Mr. & Mrs. Chrzasz  
 Goal: \$47,281  
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 Pledges: 122



**RCIA**

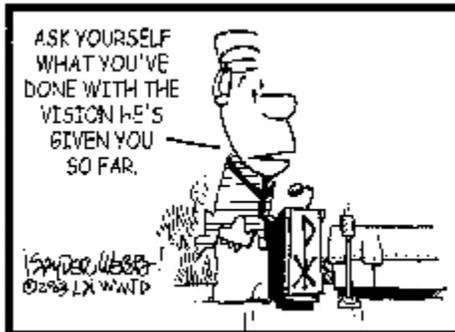
If you know of anyone interested in becoming Catholic, please invite them to contact the Parish Office at 313-532-4394 and ask for Fr. Socorro. If you are interested yourself in learning more about our Faith, you are also invited to attend the RCIA sessions. Classes will begin in October.



**Priestly Vocations: Discernment Group**

The Office of Priestly Vocations' discernment group for men (18-55) considering the priesthood is having its next meeting on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 – 7:00-8:30pm. New members can join at any time, as there is no requirement to have been at the last meeting. The previous nights have been a great success with many men excited to talk about their possible vocation to the priesthood. Meetings are led by Fr. Craig Giera, Director of Priestly Vocations, and will include prayer, group discussion on discernment, light refreshments, and fellowship with other -like-minded men. Please contact the vocation office for more info: <https://detroitpriestlyvocations.com/discernment-groups/>.

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Liturgical Ministers– October 30—5:30 p.m.**

**Sacristan:** L. Wierimaa & M. Thill  
**Lector:** R. Gonzales  
**EMHC:**  
**Usher:**

**October 31—8:30 a.m.**

**Sacristan:** J. Zatrika  
**Lector:** M. Marley & J. Doody  
**EMHC:**  
**Usher:** G. Wozniak

**October 31— 12 noon**

**Sacristan:**  
**Lector:** B. Zimmerman & F. Foster  
**EMHC:**  
**Usher:**

**Always Pray**

Remind children (and yourself) that even when they feel alone, God is there. Explain that He never will leave them and always hears when they talk to Him. Teaching your children to pray whenever they are frustrated, angry, and nervous, or even when they are happy, helps them remember that they have a direct line to Jesus. He promised to be with us always, even to the end of time.



“The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day.” St. Gianna Molla

**Christian Service Annual Blanket Drive**

The Christian Service Commission is holding a Blanket Drive during the month of October. As the cold weather approaches, there will be people in great need of ways to stay warm. This is one way we can assist them. Please help if you can by dropping off your donations at one of the Church entrances during October.

*Thank You,  
 The Christian Service Commission*



## 52 Sundays Take Time to Chat

- Why did Bartimaeus continue to call out to Jesus even though people told him to be quiet? In what way does this inspire your prayer?
- What would you do if you heard Jesus calling for you?
- Why is having faith important?

### Liturgy Link

Just as the pope told St. Boniface where to serve, the Archbishop of Detroit tells priests where to serve. The Archbishop picked a priest to serve as your parish priest. Ask your Pastor how he heard Jesus call him to the priesthood.

### Family Fun Leaves and Pumpkins

In today's Gospel, Bartimaeus received his sight. Take in the beautiful sights of Michigan by packing the family car and taking a scenic drive to see the fall colors. You don't have to go far to see majestic trees in their splendor. On your way back, stop by a local farm or market to pick your own pumpkins and stock up on gourds and squash for crafts and cooking.

### Meet Our Extended Family-St. Boniface Feast Day June 5 C.675-June 5, 754

St. Boniface was born around the year 675 in Wessex (present-day Devon), England. His birth name was Winfrid. He was a brilliant monk in a Benedictine monastery in England. Although he was the head of a school, he thought God wanted him to be a missionary. He went to Frisia (Northern Netherlands and Germany) to begin his work. A war forced him to return to England for a few years. Next, he journeyed to Rome to ask the pope to tell him where to serve. Pope Gregory II changed Winfrid's name to Boniface, which means "a man who does good deeds." Then he sent Boniface to eastern Germany to convert pagans to Christianity.

For nearly 35 years, Boniface traveled all over Germany, preaching, teaching, and building schools, monasteries, and convents. He returned to Rome to report to the pope about his work. There, the pope ordained him bishop and told him to return to Germany to continue his missionary work and to reform the German Church.

As an old man, Boniface returned to

Frisia to work among the pagans. One morning while he was waiting to confirm a group of converts, a band of angry natives rushed into the church and murdered Boniface and about 50 converts. Today St. Boniface is the patron of Germany.



### Giving as God does

Ask yourself this question — what would you pray for if you really believed God could and would do anything for you? In my experience, we all have something. We all have that miracle we're afraid to request, afraid we will be disappointed.

Do we doubt God's readiness to give because we ourselves have such an imperfect understanding of charity and love? Maybe if we had better faith in God we would be more ready to give of ourselves — and maybe if we were more ready to give of ourselves, we would understand more clearly the ways of God.

Because we're not really afraid that God can't do something. We know He can do anything. What we're afraid of is that He will do what He always does: give us what we need, not what we want.

Have you ever had a friend in need and you just wanted to give them something — a meal, a phone call, a text? Not because you knew it would help, but simply because you wanted to reach out. And have they ever said to you: It wasn't so much what you gave, but the fact that you did. You gave them what they needed even if it wasn't what they specifically asked for.

When we give in this manner, we are giving as God does. Sometimes we are afraid to ask because we don't want to be disappointed. But remember, the blind man on the road got what he asked for, but he would have gotten what he needed even if his answer had been the opposite. God's generosity is always reckless, and it's always perfect.—

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we see God with true sincerity of heart and God passes us along our way, it is only then that we will be able to cry out, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me!" We have to truly want to be healed by, and in union with, God in order for us to reach out to him. If God is only an abstract idea, theory, or someone found in the pages of a book, there is no motivation for a relationship and no desire to seek him. God needs to be real in order for faith to be real. It's all about the journey.

St. Augustine reminds us that "to fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him the greatest human achievement." We strive after many things and mercy is not always one of them. We think that we can find fulfillment and healing in other things only to discover that we are still short and empty. From the moment human beings were created, God has been calling us and seeking us. He has been walking right beside the human story from the minute He first breathed life into the first human soul. Are we able to recognize God as He walks with us? At some point we have to realize that there is only one way to satisfy the deepest longings of the human heart and that is in relationship with our Creator. We are called to this. However, we make the huge error of thinking that what we are hearing is coming from somewhere else. We become confused. Every human being would certainly profit with wisdom if they realized Who calls them and to Whom they belong.

Then and only then will we realize that it is only our Divine Master who can give us true vision and heal us. Once we recognize and reach out for the merciful presence of our loving Maker, we will be able to see with our soul, understanding the true nature and depth of all things. God's mercy is always available. It doesn't matter how far we have strayed or how blind we become, God patiently waits to console us, guide us and heal us. All we need to do is desire Him. Once we reach out, we also realize that there is no greater love to be found than God's, no human adventure that comes even close to the thrill of a spiritual search, and no human achievement even remotely as satisfying as union with Him. This is where we belong. This is salvation. ©LPi

### Golden Years



Come join the Golden Years Club for cards, coffee and conversation on **Tuesday's at 12:45 p.m.** in the School Meeting Room. Please join us!

**Coming Up This Week**

**Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**  
 Golden Years, School Meeting Room – 12:45 pm  
**Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**  
 Confessions, Church, 6:00—6:30 pm  
 Choir Practice, Church – 7:30 pm  
**Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:30 pm Mass  
**Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**  
 8:30 am Mass and 12:00 noon Mass  
 Prayer Group, Parish Office Meeting Room – 10:30 am

**Halloween Candy for Sacred Heart Seminary Due Date**

If you are donating candy for Sacred Heart Seminary's candy drive, the candy must be at the parish office by Monday, October 25th.

*Thank you!*



**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

**Fall/Winter/Spring Hours**

Monday—Friday ..... 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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