



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.



January 23,
2022

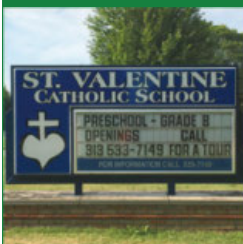
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME...
- LK 4:18

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Liturgy Schedule

Mass Intentions

Monday—January 24, St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

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

Tuesday— January 25, Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

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

Wednesday—January 26, Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

No Mass at St. Valentine or Our Lady of Loretto

Thursday— January 27, Weekday, Sts. Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder—Fr. Pat Brennan, Celebrant

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church
Ded Gjinaj req. The Family
Leon & Marie Promo & son,
Michael req. by The Skora Family

Friday—January 28, St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious and Doctor of the Church—Fr. Pat Brennan, Celebrant

8:30 a.m. Tom Rashid req. by Bob & Eleanor Bielenda
Joyce Wozniak req. by The Family

Saturday—January 29, Weekday – Fr. Steve Pullis, Celebrant

5:30 p.m. Laurene Boskovich req. by Friends

Sunday—January 30, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time—National Catholic Schools Week Begins, Fr. John Wheeler, Celebrant

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church
Vincent Mocerri req. by St. Valentine Mixed League
12 noon Mass in Church—Fr. John Wheeler, Celebrant
Michael Jarrot req. by The Family
Shari Emerick req. by Dan & Kris Brake
Jason McComb req. by Friends
Theresa McMahan req. by Anne Carolini
Justina Blair req. by Pat & Julie Jeffries

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

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| Judi Marshall | Norbert Romej |
| Josiah Wardrop | Rick Paquette |
| John Dillon | Stephanie Shelton |
| Colleen Devine | Debbie Pepp |
| Clara Macek | Frank Drewno |
| Carol Sneary | Gerri McDonald |
| Joan Reilly | Kathleen Jenkins |
| Andrew Ricotta | Vickie Wozny |
| Jeanette Shamma | Peggy Morgan |
| Dan Jenkins | Addisyn Cassi |
| Tony Janisse | Anna Salamy |
| Patricia Longo | Jerry North |
| Dick Nelson | Tara Berro |
| Bette Dishman | Joseph Tomlinson |
| Rita Barthlow | Dave DeMarco |
| Marcia Favor | Kathie Myers |
| Suzy Cervi | Karen Koscierynski |
| Judy Gregory | Elise Gresham Miller |
| Maureen Polania | Bill Charlton |
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| Paul Milewski | Mary Kathleen Courtney |
| Gerry Mularoni | Paul Danic |
| Christine Stanievich | Paul Clark |
| Grace Oku | |
| Mark Curtin | |

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.

Please Note

Prayer List Announcement

As in the past, at the end of January we will begin a new prayer list. All of the names will be taken off. If you would like your name or that of a loved one to remain on, please call the parish office.

Intentions of the Holy Father for January 2022

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10
Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22
Ps 117: 1bc, 2
Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5
Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29
Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14
Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17
Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17
Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17
Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19
Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]
1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13
Lk 4:21-30

Readings



for the week



Sympathy

In Sympathy

We offer our deepest sympathy to Colleen Masserang upon the death of her sister, Cheryl Pullen. May all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Collections

January 16, 2022

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| Budgeted Amount | \$ 6,500.00 |
| Amount Collected | <u>\$ 4,569.00</u> |
| | \$(1,931.00) |

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| Second Collection | |
| For the Needy | \$ 610.00 |
| Christmas | \$ 30.00 |
| Heating | \$ 55.00 |
| Immaculate Conception | \$ 5.00 |
| New Years | \$ 25.00 |
| School | \$ 50.00 |



Grateful Givers



From Faith Formation

Share what you love about our Catholic Faith



As parents, we want our children to be Catholic because we know the Church provides the surest way to a strong and loving relationship with God. To help children find Catholic joy, share what you love about our Catholic Faith.

"My grandmother prayed the Rosary every day of her life," said Lisa. "When I was old enough, she gave me one and taught me how to pray it. The prayers remind me of everything we believe as Catholics. The Rosary has helped me through many tough times in my life and I pray it often with my own children."

"We moved a lot when I was young," said Art. "Moving was hard but no matter where we lived, the Mass felt like home. Jesus was always there waiting for me. Now I love taking my children to Mass because I want it to be there home, too."

"I don't know what I would do without Confession," said Brooke. "It's not easy admitting the things I do wrong. I'm embarrassed that I commit the same sins repeatedly. Still, no matter how often I go, it is such a thrill to hear the words of absolution and know that Jesus really does forgive me. Now, we take our children and celebrate God's mercy together."

Sacramental Celebrations Calendar

- March 5th** First Reconciliation
- March 26th** Confirmation
- May 1st** First Communion

Pantry Item

Thank you for your continued generosity. You may drop your food off at the back of church.

Items needed:

- Canned Spaghetti Sauce,**
- Spaghetti Noodles, Oatmeal,**
- Complete Pancake Mix and Syrup**

Confirmation Candidates and their Sponsors Evening of Reflection Monday, January 24th 6:45 p.m. in the Gym

All Confirmation candidates and their sponsors are invited to this mandatory Evening of Reflection on January 24th. Please be prompt. Remind your sponsors to enter the door on Dow Street.

If you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 313-532-4394 x201.

Happy Anniversary!



St. Valentine Parish would like to invite all couples celebrating a significant anniversary this year (5, 10, etc.) to the 8:30 am on Sunday, February 13th. Father will give a special blessing to the couples. Please contact the parish office at 313-532-4394 and let us know you will attend.

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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!

Liturgical Ministers January 29—5:30 p.m.

Sacristan:
Lector: R. Gonzales & G. Baughman
EMHC:
Usher:

January 30—8:30 p.m.

Sacristan: M. Fron
Lector: J. Ricotta & M. Marley
EMHC:
Usher: R. Fron

January 30—12 noon

Sacristan:
Lector: B. Zimmerman & P. Bonenfant
EMHC:
Usher:

Contribution Statement for 2021

The Parish Office will prepare your Contribution Statement for 2021 if you request one. You can obtain your statement in any of the following ways:

Please complete the coupon printed below and return it to the parish office through the mail or drop it in the collection basket and your statement will be mailed to you.

Call the parish office 313-532-4394 and ask to have your statement prepared and we will mail it to you.

Errors can and do occur. If you should find any mistakes, please contact the parish office and we will gladly rectify the statement.

Please prepare and mail my 2021 Contribution Statement to me:

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ENVELOPE # _____

Feast Days

January 24 – St. Francis de Sales (1622). As bishop of Geneva, St. Francis bolstered the faith of others by his writings and works. For the laity, St. Francis wrote Introduction to the Devout Life, which is as applicable today as it was in his day.

January 27 – St. Angela Merici (1540). Orphaned at ten-years-old, St. Angela turned to God for strength. At twenty, she became a Franciscan tertiary and taught young girls the Faith. In 1535 at Brescia, Italy, she and 28 other women founded the Company of St. Ursula, or the Ursulines.



52 Sundays**Take Time to Chat**

- Luke begins his Gospel by saying that he “investigated” everything accurately of his teaching. Why do you think it was important to begin the Gospel this way?
- Jesus returns to Galilee after his baptism. Galilee is about 70 miles away from where John baptized Jesus. With no TV, no Internet, and no cell phones, how do you think the news of Jesus spread throughout the whole region? What do you think people were saying about Jesus?
- Re-read the prophecy from Isaiah in today’s Gospel. This prophecy describes Jesus. Describe Jesus in your own words.

Liturgy Link

Right after he finishes reading the Gospel, what does the priest or deacon do to the Book of Gospels?

**Fun Facts!**

Pope Francis declared the third Sunday of Ordinary Time as Sunday of the Word of God in 2019. This day is a reminder to read the Bible regularly and to put God’s Word at the center of our lives.

Family Fun—Haiku Contest

A haiku is an unrhymed three-line poem. It is based on a traditional Japanese poetic form. Haiku poems in English have the following pattern.

Line 1: 5 syllables

Line 2: 7 syllables

Line 3: 5 syllables

The last line usually makes an observation. Most often, haiku poems have a theme relating to seasons or nature.

As a family, pick a poetic theme that is related to today’s 52 Sundays content. Invite everyone to write one poem. Share and vote on the best one. Celebrate with ice cream when you’re done!

Family Challenge

Read and reflect on Scripture for 5 minutes every day this week.

**St. Thomas Aquinas |
January 28**

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, “*The Summa Theologiae*.” Born in Italy, his

mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The *Summa Theologiae*, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.

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Is it Right to Sue?

Question: Is it right to sue someone? Isn’t it a way of getting revenge?

Answer: Revenge is inflicting harm for harm’s sake, the idea of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and then some. There is often a fine line between justice and mercy, between compensation and forgiveness. Unfortunately, things can happen to us that cause harm, suffering, and damage, regardless of people’s intentions. When someone is hurt, especially in such a way that special care or treatment is required, the cost of that care needs to be paid.

In a perfect world, those with special needs, handicaps, or disabilities would find the help and care they need, including those who are injured or hurt. But justice is not always forthcoming, and people are not always fair. So, using the legal system to right a wrong is sometimes the only option.

In some cases, it is the only way that people can get the help they need and deserve. However, frivolous lawsuits, or ‘fishing for money’ is not only unfair, but immoral as well. The law is there to protect people and making use of it when necessary is a good thing.

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God’s transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the “gods” of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God’s constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God’s Word, God’s life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one’s soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn’t forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God’s Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God’s fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away. ©LPi



Thanks to Ondrej Palka (See Matthew 14:24-33) 01-04-22
PETER FINDS HIS FAITH TO BE MUCH STRONGER IN THE WINTER

Coming Up This Week

Monday, January 24th
Confirmation Reflection, Gym – 6:45 pm

Tuesday, January 25th
Golden Years, School Meeting Room – 12:45 pm

Wednesday, January 26th

Thursday, January 27th
Choir Practice, Church – 7:30 pm

Friday, January 28th

Saturday, January 29th
5:30 pm Mass

Sunday, January 30th
8:30 am Mass and 12:00 noon Mass
Prayer Group, Parish Office Meeting Room – 10:30 am
All School Mass, Church, Noon

**The Lighter Side
One for Every Room**

One Sunday our priest announced he was passing out miniature crosses made of palm leaves. "Put this cross in the room where your family argues most," he advised. "When you look at it, the cross will remind you that God is watching."

As I was leaving church, the woman in front of me walked up to the priest, shook his hand, and said, "I'll take five."



**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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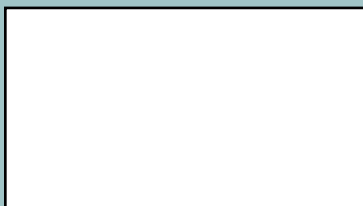
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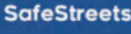


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