

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.







May God bless you, Steve, on your 101st birthday!





- Monday—January 16, Weekday, Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- 8:30 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Loretto
- Tuesday— January 17, St. Anthony, Abbot

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

- Wednesday—January 18, Weekday, Week of Prayer for **Christian Unity Begins**
- No mass at St. Valentine or Our Lady of Loretto please worship at another parish
- Thursday— January 19, Weekday
- 8:30 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Loretto

Beth Nicola req. by Friends Bill Zimmerman req. by Family

- Friday—January 20, Weekday, St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr, St. Sebastian. Martvr
- 8:30 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Loretto
- Saturday—January 21, St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr
- 5:30 p.m. Mass in Church
- Helene Roggers Skora req. by The Skora Family

Enrco & Ida Canini req. by G. Canini

Sunday—January 22, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Word of God Sunday, **Ecumenical Sunday**

8:30 a.m. Mass in Church Viola Baughman req. by Bob & **Eleanor Bielenda**

- Sr. Rose Marie Kujawa reg. by Bob & Eleanor Bielenda
- Enrico & Ida Canini req. by Graziano Canini
- 12:00 noon Mass in Church
- Dorothy & Francis Coseo req. by Family
- Special Intention req. by The Tworek Family

Bill Zimmerman req. by The Family

Please note: Daily Mass will be at Our Lady of Loretto on Jan 19 and 20.

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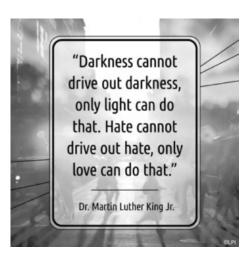
et us pray for those who are ill and have asked for our prayer:

Judi Marshall Josiah Wardrop Bette Dishman Mark Curtin Kathleen Jenkins **Dan Jenkins** Addisyn Cassi Anna Salamy Maureen Polania Tara Berro Joseph Tomlinson Dave DeMarco Kathie Myers Vince Schenden Margaret Wyman Paul Milewski Mark Tomlinson Mary Haduch Chris Muliett Paul Tibedeau Kathleen Courtney Tracey Ford Paul Clarke Joan Reilly Greg Whitmore William Lavigne Carol Sneary Ed Roberge Carol Walsh Mary Ann Sanderson **Dominie Perrin** Jeff Juve

Prayer Requests

If you would like your name or that of a loved one on our prayer list, please call the parish office at 313-532 -4394. Thank you.

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



January 15, 2023

Readings for the week of January 15, 2023 Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6

Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34 Monday: Heb 5:1-10 Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 Mk 2:18-22 Heb 6:10-20 Tuesday: Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 NS 10c Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 Mk 3:1-6 Heb 7:25-8:6 Thursday: Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 Mk 3:7-12 Heb 8:6-13 Friday: Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 Mk 3:13-19 Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 3:20-21 Readings Next Sunday: Is 8:23—9:3 Ps 27:1,4, 13-14 (1a) 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17



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 at 313-532-4394.

In Sympathy

We offer our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Delores Holme. May all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Collection for January 1, 2023

Budgeted Amount	\$6	,500.00	
Amount Collected	\$4	,630.00	
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2nd Collection, school	\$`	508.00	
Advent Blue Book	\$	2.00	
Heating	\$	25.00	
Immaculate Conceptio	n \$	10.00	
Collection for January 8, 2023			
Budgeted Amount	\$6	,500.00	
Amount Collected	<u>\$6</u>	,401.00	
	\$	(99.00)	
2nd Collection, needy	\$	653.00	
Advent Blue Book	\$	1.00	
Flowers	\$	35.00	
Heating	\$	302.00	
Immaculate Conceptio	n \$	15.00	
New Years	\$	287.00	
Total Christmas \$	158	,443.00	

Geri McDonald

Lois Muth

Mike Valla

Michael

Laura Skelton

Rachel Wree

Kreutzman

Clyde Nichols

Stephanie Gayer

Jessica Heenan

Theresa Siniarski

Jerry North

Art Kolasa

Cora Prater

Jim Kimpton

Brian Johnson

JoAnn Webster

Gina Shatara

Gail Williams-

Chris Wandyg

Anne Carolini

Kondratowicz

Susan Erikson

Peggy Gatteri

Rodney Harris

Cara Scranton

Betty Marie Bush

Dominic Lombardi

Ricky Canini

Patricia

Nichols



From Faith Formation



Play That One Again How many have times you sung the church song, "Here I Am, Lord"? If you grew up Catholic and are around my

age (still 50!), the answer is more than you can count. The song that quotes various verses of Scripture is sung using guitar, piano, or organ, by cantors and choirs, in traditional and modern churches. It is truly a Catholic greatest hit of the modern Church. The question is how many times when singing the refrain have you really taken to heart what you were singing.

"Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night." Like the biblical figure Samuel, we are responding to the call of God by asking for clarification that we are indeed the one being called. We then follow up the question with a profound statement: "I will go if You lead me." It is profound because we are pledging to our God that we are willing to go wherever He wants. We are accepting the challenge put forth in the U.S. Bishops' pastoral letter, "Stewardship: A Disciple's Response," to become mature disciples who respond to the call of Jesus Christ regardless of the cost. We have sung this pledge repeatedly for many years.

We never have any idea what God will call us to do and where to go. Sometimes the request can ask us for quite a lot. Hopefully, we respond like a mature disciple. If not, maybe we should reflect more the next time this song is played. The melody will not allow for the words, "I will see if I am busy and then decide to go if you lead me." Then again, I don't want to sing that to God, the source of all life anyway. Do you?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Everyday Stewardship No Volunteers Needed

Can you imagine what kind of response I would get if I asked my three children, "Who would like to volunteer to clean up the kitchen after dinner today?" Six eyeballs staring at me like I had two heads! If I couch my request in terms of volunteerism, I have suggested that they don't have any real ownership in this matter. Perhaps they do sometimes think that their mother and I are simply hired hands to take care of them, but rest assured, I have not received a paycheck for services rendered lately.

When you and I give a donation of blood, we volunteer our time and blood to the Red Cross. The Red Cross does not employ most of us. nor do we own a part of the Red Cross. We can only volunteer ourselves for the cause.

As parishioners we are part of a parish family. We belong to our parish community. We do not visit on a Sunday morning, since we cannot visit a place that is home. The call of the body of Christ occurs in every parish and our response should be that of the psalmist, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will." Real stewardship never counts the cost and never asks for volunteers. We step forward because we belong to something greater than ourselves and the head of that community is Jesus. After dinner at my house, someone needs to clean up the kitchen. In your parish community, someone needs to respond to the call of Jesus. In both cases, no volunteers are needed. We will rely on family instead. LPi

St. Cecilia's Joyful Hearts

You are invited to join us every 2nd and 4th Monday from 9:30-10:30 (following the 8:30 am daily mass) in the basement of Our Lady of Loretto Church for St. Cecilia's Joyful Hearts, a music class for children of all ages (0-12) to alorify God with music and grow in their love of the Catholic Faith. The class consists of an upbeat combination of singing and dancing with Bible songs and Catholic hymns, percussion playing different instruments and handbells, and learning to read music. Meeting dates for Jan. and Feb. are 1/9, 1/23, 2/13, and 2/27. Contact Anjanette Turbiak at (734)674-5896

or ajturbiak@protonmail.com with any questions.

In God's love, Anjanette

Liturgical Ministers January 21—5:30 p.m. Sacristan: L. Wierimaa & M. Thill Lector: L. Jachman & F. Foster EMHC: Usher:

January 22-8:30 p.m. Sacristan: A. Turbiak Lector: J. Doody & J. Ricotta EMHC: Usher: Altar Servers: Turbiak's January 23—12 noon

Sacristan: Lector: C. Williams & A. Pawlik EMHC: Usher: Altar Servers: Z. & K. Schick



St. Valentine Women's Club

The Women's Club is back in business! The mission of the Women's Club is to empower and nurture personal and spiritual growth of all women through works of service and fellowship. The Club offers all women of St. Valentine's, young and seasoned, a place to build friendships

and explore ways to serve God, our parish, and the community. Our meetings usually include a fun activity or an informative speaker as well. We meet the fourth Wednesday of the month January to June and September to November. Our next meeting is January 25, 2023 at 7:30 pm. Please join us.

St. Valentine Men's Retreat

Please remember in prayer the following men attending the Men's Retreat this weekend.

Michael Angelo **Richard Franz** David Kemp Michael Stack Mark Yokom Matt Yokom



Thank You!

Thank you to all who helped set up and take down Christmas. I sincerely appreciate your willingness to help. This year we were blessed with so many helpers and I am truly grateful. Michael Burden

January 15, 2023

52 Sundays Take Time to Chat

- Who is John the Baptist?
- Why does John the Baptist call Jesus the Lamb of God?
- Why is it necessary for Jesus to take away our sins?



Liturgy Link At Mass, we pray or sing a prayer called the Lamb of

God. (CCC 523, 536) What does the priest do and say right after this prayer? **Family Challenge**

Bring a holy water container to church and fill it with holy water from the baptismal font. (Holy water bottles can be purchased online or at a local Catholic bookstore.) Use the holy water at home to bless each other by tracing the sign of the cross on the forehead with a few drops of the water.

Family Fun

Monday, January 16th is Martin Luther King Jr. Day. It is an American federal holiday marking the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr. The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a passionate preacher of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and example and a martyr for justice. Archbishop Vigneron wrote a pastoral note on racism that can be accessed at https:// www.unleashthegospel.org/pastoralnotes/agents-for-the-new-creation/).

Meet our Extended Family St. Francis de Sales (Feast Day January 24) August 21, 1567-December 28, 1622



After earning а doctorate in law, St. Francis wished to enter the priesthood. he At age 35, became the bishop of Geneva. St. Francis became known for his deep faith and his gentle

approach to the religious divisions in his land resulting from the Protestant Reformation. Francis is well-known for his book, Introduction to the Devout Life, which is still available for purchase today. His writings, filled with his gentle spirit, are addressed to lay people. He wanted to make them understand that they too, are called to be saints.

Family Prayer Living Our Baptism Prayer

Father in Heaven, when the Spirit came down upon Jesus at His Baptism in the Jordan, you revealed him as your own Beloved Son. Keep us, your

children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to our calling. May we, who share in your life as your children through baptism, follow in Christ's path of service to people. Let us become one in his sacrifice and hear his word with faith. May we live as your children, following the example of Jesus. Amen.

[Invite each person to share any prayer intentions they may have.]

We ask all these prayers through Christ. our Lord. Amen.



St. Valentine Parish would Happy Anniversary! like to invite all couples celebrating a significant s anniversary this year (5, 10, etc.) to the 8:30 am on

Sunday, February 12th. 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.

Contribution Statement for 2022

The Parish Office will prepare your Contribution Statement for 2022 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: NAME:

ADDRESS:

ENVELOPE #

It is a Joy to Welcome into the Family of God

The parish sends its congratulations to Vijayaditya Ayyagari upon his Baptism into the Catholic faith on Saturday, December 31, 2022. We all celebrate this milestone in your life.



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was a kid, I remember the priest at Mass announcing, "The Lamb of God!" Frankly, it struck me as nonsense. I thought: Why in the world does God have a lamb? And where is this lamb?

John the Baptist sees Jesus coming toward him and announces, "Behold the lamb of God." His Jewish listeners knew what he meant. God's lamb is the thing that is sacrificed at the Jewish Passover and consumed by the participants. For almost a thousand years, lambs were ritually slaughtered and eaten in Jerusalem at Passover. The lamb meant sacrifice, freedom from sin, and communion with God. The Baptist is saying in effect, "This man will be ritually sacrificed and consumed so that God's people may be free from sin and united to God."

It's crucial to relate to Jesus as a friend, brother, teacher, and Lord of our lives. But we should also learn to interact with Him as our lamb of God. That means we intentionally place on him our sins, sadnesses, and hopes, and offer him to God. Then we consume him to make us free. This is what we do at every Mass. That's why he is the Lamb of God.

— Father John Muir **©LPi**

OPEN HOUSE

St. Valentine Catholic School Preschool – Grade 8 25875 Hope, Redford 313.533.7149 www.stvalentineschool.com St. Valentine Catholic School welcomes all families to our **Open House** . Thursday February 9th, 2023 5:00-7:00pm.

Tour the school, meet the teachers, and gain valuable information about our school.





Christmas Flower Offering The Whalen Family Edward & Lucille Boris

Coming Up This Week Monday, January 16th Martin Luther King Day Tuesday, January 17th Golden Years, School Meeting Room -11:30 am Parish Council, Parish Office Meeting Room - 6:30 pm School Advisory Committee, School Meeting Room - 7:00 pm Wednesday, January 18th Men's Club Meeting, School Meeting Room – 8:00 pm Thursday, Januarv 19th Confessions, Church, 6:00 - 6:30 pm River of Life Prayer Group, Chapel -6:30 pm – 8:00 pm Choir Practice, Church - 7:30 pm Friday, January 20th Saturday, January 21st 5:30 pm Mass Sunday, January 22nd 8:30 am Mass and 12:00 noon Mass Deaf Community Mass, Chapel-9:30 am CSA Thank you to the following families for the pledges and contributions. Mr. & Mrs. G. Hunt Mr. R. Fenstemaker Total Pledged

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

\$68,993.09 Total Paid \$72,961.68

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 Tibei, 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.



St. Valentine Directory Redford, MI 48239 Rectorv School **Parish Website** www.stvalentineparish.us Parish E-mail Address stvalsparish@stvalentineschool.com Facebook **Music Minister Choir Practice** Mass Schedule **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. Arrangements for Matrimony must be made at least six months in advance.

Matrimony

Catechumenate-RCIA

Please call the Parish Office for more information.

St. Valentine Parish Office Hours

Summer Hours			
Monday—Thursday	8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.		
Friday	CLOŚED		
Fall/Winter/Spring Hours			
Monday—Friday	8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.		
Closed daily from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.			
Saturday & Sunday	CLOSED		
Credit Union			
Catholic Vantage Financial	734-432-0212		
Located in Livonia and Plymouth Service Hours:			
Mon. Tues.			
Wed			
Thurs. Fri			
Sat			
	Revised 7-24-2022		

Parish Council

Ron Fron.....Chairperson Wendy Wagner.....Vice Chairperson Frank Zbikowski Tom Alexander George Baughman

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Joe Kelly	
Rosemary Fox	Christian Service
Rachel Damuth	

Note change... Please submit articles for the Heartline to: bdanic@stvalentineschool.com by 11:30 am Friday (8 days before prior to printed edition.) . Submit flyers to the rectory office by Wednesday 11:30 am.

