

# CHURCH OF SAINT VALENTINE

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

JUNE 2, 2024



## Masses

Saturday Evening ----- 5:30 pm  
Sunday ----- 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm  
Monday to Saturday in the Chapel ... ..... 12:00 pm  
Holy Days ----- Please see the bulletin

Rectory Office Hours ----- 9:00 am - 2:00 pm  
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## Served By

Fr. Andrew N. Onyemaobi ----- *Pastor*  
Fr. Andrew Njoku ----- *In Residence*  
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Kevin Amahit ----- *Financial Trustee*  
Iris Prcic ----- *Director of Music*  
Jean Frucci ----- *Food Pantry Coordinator*

## Our Mission Statement

The Roman Catholic Community of Saint Valentine is called to be a visible sign of God's presence in the world. Through celebration of the sacraments, especially through reconciliation and the Eucharist, we are sent out to proclaim and witness to the Gospel by our lives. We are therefore dedicated to serving others within our church, local communities and throughout the world. By loving God, neighbor and self we deepen our response to the Lord and to announce the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ.

## Sacraments

### RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

At the Church, Saturdays at 12:45pm (after the 12:00pm mass in the rectory chapel) we have Confession. during the week, you may call the office to make appointments with the Priest.

### BAPTISMS

Parishioners who want Baptism for their children need to be registered, active members of the Church. The Baptism will be celebrated at the 12:00 Noon Sunday Mass. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a meeting in the Rectory. All Godparents must have received the sacrament of Confirmation.

### MATRIMONY

All Catholics should only marry in the Catholic Church. A Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation of at least one year. Therefore, parishioners should first meet with the priest before making any arrangements of date and time, or booking of the banquet.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If someone needs the sacrament of the sick, please call Fr Andrew Onyemaobi at 973-743-0220. Family members are invited to join in the liturgy of the Sacrament of the Sick.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Our program will be held at St. Valentine Church. For further information please reach out to our acting D.R.E. Mrs. Marta Cirilli-Kuebler at [faithformationstval@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationstval@gmail.com).



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**KORNER**

Year B

**Gospel Today**  
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ | Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Jesus took the bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying "Take it; this is My Body".

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Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

Mark 14:23



Today we remember Jesus' creation of the Most Holy Eucharist on Holy Thursday at The Last Supper. The feast of Corpus Christi began in the 13th century and after having this name for hundreds of years, in 1970, the name was officially changed to **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**. Even after the change, many people still refer to the feast as Corpus Christi.

**BIBLE WORD SEARCH**

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

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Christ	T	E	U	S	E	M	O	S	T	G	K	T	S
Jesus	S	R	R	T	K	A	L	T	B	R	E	A	D
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Disciples	R	P	D	K	R	Y	A	T	G	L	A	S	T
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JOIN ME AS I CELEBRATE MY

**15TH PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARY**

FR. NNAEMKEA ANDREW ONYEMA OBI

**JUNE**

SUNDAY **02** MASS: 12:00 PM

VENUE: ST. VALENTINE CHURCH, 155 E. PASSAIC AVE

RECEPTION: 1 PM - 7 PM



**For migrants fleeing their homes**  
We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Saturday, June 1**

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

**Sunday, June 2**

12:00 Fr. Andrew's Anniversary Mass  
Followed by Reception

**Monday, June 3**

No events scheduled

**Tuesday, June 4**

No events scheduled

**Wednesday, June 5**

No Events Scheduled

**Thursday, June 6**

7:00pm Rosary- Church

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Liturgy of the Word (Chapel)

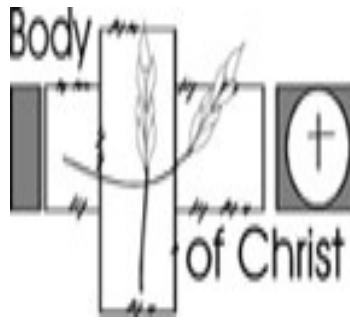
**Friday, June 7—First Friday**

No events scheduled

**Saturday, June 8**

5:30pm Meet & Greet After Mass

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)



Please PRAY For The Healing of those listed :

- ◆ Alice Hansen
- ◆ Rosa Berthachavez Saul
- ◆ Damianus Aditya Christie & Joseph
- ◆ Nicole Ostering
- ◆ Mary Rende
- ◆ Jacob(Maria DaCunha's Grandson)
- ◆ Alan Bruce Bradshaw
- ◆ Andrea Emilia Bernabey
- ◆ Gustavo & Caceres Family
- ◆ Rios Family
- ◆ Alonso Family
- ◆ Santa Cruz Family



**DAILY READINGS**

**The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ  
(Corpus Christi)**

**Sunday**

Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

**Monday**

2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12

**Tuesday**

2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17

**Wednesday**

2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27

**Thursday**

2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34

**First Friday**

Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37

**Saturday**

2 Tm 4:1-8; Lk 2:41-51

**SHOE DRIVE FUNDRAISER**

**STARTS JUNE 2**

BRING YOUR GENTLY WORN SHOES/  
SNEAKERS

BINS IN VESTIBULE FOR DROPOFF

QUESTIONS: EMAIL

[EVENTS@STVALENTINECHURCH.COM](mailto:EVENTS@STVALENTINECHURCH.COM)





To commemorate the 125th Anniversary of St. Valentine's Church, the Spiritual Committee has initiated a Book Club. Our first selection, *My Life with the Saints* by James Martin SJ is a "Publishers Weekly Best Book of the Year", "Winner of the Catholic Press Association Book Award" and winner of the "Christopher Award". **Next meeting is Tuesday, June 18th. Please finish** Father Martin's book. Please consider joining us as we delve more deeply into his much acclaimed memoir. Looking forward to seeing you then. Any questions, feel free to call the Rectory.

**SAVE THE DATE:**

June 2nd—12:00 Noon Anniversary Mass with Fr. Andrew, Reception to follow.

June 10th— Parish Council Meeting 7:00pm

June 18th—Next Spiritual Book Club Mtg 7:00

June 24th—Next Festival Comm. Mtg. 7:00pm



**PILGRIMAGE TURKEY & GREEK ISLANDS & GREECE**



**Footsteps of St. Paul in Turkey & Greece, Virgin Mary's House in Ephesus  
Istanbul, Troy, Pergamum, Ephesus, St. John Monastery, Smyrna, Patmos, Rhodes, Crete (Heraklion)  
Santorini, Athens, Corinth**

**September 10-22, 2024 (13 Days) Cost of the trip \$4,399.00 with airline taxes**

**Daily Mass with Fr Andrew Onyemaobi**

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TOUR**

**Included:** Transatlantic international airfare from EWR airport. Daily Mass. Accommodations at 4 & 5 star Hotels. Breakfast and dinner daily. Round trip transfers from Airport to Hotel. Guided tours, sightseeing, and admission fees. Hotel taxes, service charges, and baggage handling (where possible).  
**Not included:** Lunches during touring, personal expenses and gratuities for guides, driver, cruise and visa fees.

**ITINERARY**

**Day 1 Sep 10, 2024 - Tuesday: DEPARTURE** You will leave from the USA with an overnight flight to Istanbul, Turkey.  
**Day 2 Sep 11, 2024 - Wednesday: ISTANBUL**  
Welcome to Turkey. You are greeted by your tour guide and transferred to the hotel. Dinner and overnight in Istanbul.  
**Day 3 Sep 12, 2024 - Thursday: ISTANBUL - OLD CITY**  
Full-day city tour of magnificent Istanbul, the city that links continents Asia and Europe to each other. We will drive to the Cathedral of St. Esprit Church for morning Mass. Then drive to old city center to visit the famous Blue Mosque, built in the 17th century by the Ottomans, famous for the blue Iznik tiles decorating its interior walls. A short walk will bring us to the magnificent former Christian Basilica, Hagia Sophia, built in the 6th century — the world's largest church for over 1,000 years. Then we will have a boat trip on the Bosphorus that separates two continents, Europe and Asia. Dinner and overnight in Istanbul.  
**Day 4 Sep 13, 2024 - Friday: ISTANBUL - TROY - CANAKKALE**  
After breakfast, we will celebrate Mass at St. Anthony Padua Church. Then, we will drive along the Sea of Marmara to Canakkale. Visit Troy- home of the legendary Helen of Troy and the Trojan Horse. Dinner and overnight in Canakkale.  
**Day 5 Sep 14, 2024 - Saturday: CANAKKALE - PERGAMUM - KUSADASI**  
After breakfast, we will drive to Pergamum, one of the Seven Churches of Revelation. (Rev 2: 12-17). Visit the Acropolis to see the remains of the Altar of Zeus, believed to be the throne of Satan referred to in the Bible. These are the words of him who has the sharp, double-edged sword. I know where you live- where Satan has his throne. Yet you remain true to my name. You did not renounce your faith in me, not even in the days of Antipas, my faithful witness, who was put to death in your city where Satan lives." See also the steepest theater in the world, and the remains of the famous Temple of Trajan, with magnificent views overlooking the modern town of Bergama. After visiting the Acropolis, drive to Izmir (ancient Smyrna) to celebrate Mass. After Mass, drive to Kusadasi for dinner and overnight.  
**Day 6 Sep. 15 - Sunday: KUSADASI - HOUSE OF VIRGIN MARY, EPHEBUS - KUSADASI**  
After breakfast, we will drive to Ephesus where St. Paul lived and preached for three years, and to where he subsequently sent his letter to the Ephesians. First, we will visit the House of Mother Mary where she spent the later years of her life. Celebrate the mass at the House of the Virgin Mary. Then, continue to Ephesus, one of the most important biblical sites of modern Turkey. Ephesus is one of the Seven Churches of Revelation (Rev 2: 1-7) and the home to the tomb of St. John the Apostle where he served as bishop. We will walk in the footsteps of St. Paul, St. John, and Mother Mary as you wander along the marble roads of Ephesus. We will also visit the Church of Mary, where the 3rd Ecumenical Council was held. Return to your hotel in Kusadasi for dinner and overnight.  
**Day 7 Sep. 16, 2024 - Monday: KUSADASI - LAODICEA- HIERAPOLIS - KUSADASI**  
After breakfast, drive to Laodicea, one of the Seven Churches of Asia Minor [Rev. 1:11; 3:14; Col. 2: 1:4;13-16]. The geographic location of the city explains why the Laodiceans were "neither hot nor cold but lukewarm" as it says in the Bible. Then we will continue to biblical Hierapolis, an Roman ancient city where St. Philip was martyred during the persecutions ordered by Domitian. Visit the tomb of St. Philip which was recently discovered here. Hierapolis is also famous for its snow-like landscape formed as a result of mineral deposits from the thermal sources in the area. Return to Kusadasi for dinner and overnight.  
**Day 8 Sep. 17, 2024 - Tuesday: KUSADASI - PATMOS**  
Transfer to the pier in Kusadasi to embark on a cruise ship. Patmos Island is considered sacred and is often referred to as the "Jerusalem of the Aegean". It was here that the Evangelist St. John received inspiration for the Apocalypse. We will celebrate the mass at St. John's Grotto. After the mass, visit the Monastery of St. John, a huge fortress-like building dating from the 11<sup>th</sup> century.  
**Day 9 Sep. 18, 2024 - Wednesday: RHODES**  
This morning the ship will stop at the Greek island of Rhodes. You can enjoy the beautiful island on your own or join the optional trip to visit the Monastery of Filermos, dedicated to the Virgin Mary, and the Citadel of the Knights.  
**Day 10 Sep. 19, 2024 - Thursday: HERAKLION- SANTORINI**  
This morning the ship will stop at the Greek island of Crete. Visit the island on your own or take an optional trip to visit the ruins of the Palace of Knossos, the elaborate Palace is believed to be the mythical Labyrinth of King Minos and the seat of ancient Minoan culture. Afternoon we will visit the Island of Santorini. This island is perhaps the most breathtaking of all the Greek Islands. In the town of Thira white-washed houses, narrow streets, open-air cafes, and glittering boutiques cling to cliffs, accessible by cable car or mule. Visit the island on your own or take an optional trip offered by the cruise lines.  
**Day 11 Sep. 20, 2024 - Friday: LAVRION- ATHENS CITY TOUR**  
After disembarking the cruise ship in Lavrion, we will meet our guide and drive to Athens. We will embark on a city tour and celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of St. Dionysius. After lunch drive to Mars Hill where Paul preached and delivered his great sermon. Visit the ancient town of Acropolis to see the Parthenon, the theater of Dionysos, the Temple of the Wingless Victory, and other sights, which reflect the golden age of Greece. Dinner and overnight in Athens.  
**Day 12 Sep. 21, 2024 - Saturday: CORINTH**  
After breakfast, we will drive along the beautiful coastal road to Corinth, home to Paul for 18 months. See the Bema (Judgment Seat) where was presented for judgment. Celebrate an outdoor Mass in Corinth. Return to Athens in the late afternoon for dinner and overnight.  
**Day 13 Sep. 22, 2024 - Sunday: RETURN HOME** Transfer to the airport for the flight back home.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS PLEASE CALL:**

**Genia Virtucio (973)-202-4488 Email: Geniatv@aol.com Fr Andrew Onyemaobi : (908) 410-5471**

**REGISTRATION FORMS IN THE VESTIBULE**

**A \$500 Deposit is required with form and Passport Copy.**

**2nd Payment of \$1500 due June 1st. Balance \$2399 due on or before July 1, 2024. Make check Payable To: Glory Tours**