

CHURCH OF SAINT VALENTINE

ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 16, 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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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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 15

12:00pm Rosalia Icasiano
 From: Elito and Divina Santos
 5:30pm Miglin Family
 From: Family

Sunday, June 16—Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00am All Father’s Living and Deceased
 From: Saint Valentine Church
 10:00am All Father’s Living and Deceased
 From: Saint Valentine Church
 12:00pm All Father’s Living and Deceased
 From: Saint Valentine Church

Monday, June 17

12:00 pm Virginia A. Araujo (Deceased)
 From: Lurdes Sol

Tuesday, June 18

12:00 pm Antonio Nunes (Deceased)
 From: Lurdes Sol

Wednesday, June 19

12:00 pm Rosalia Icasiano (Deceased)
 From: Elito and Divina Santos

Thursday, June 20

12:00pm Rafael Delos Santos (Death Annivesary)
 From: Delos Santos Family

Friday, June 21

12:00 pm Anthony Cariaga
 From: Family

Saturday, June 22

12:00pm Jose & Priscilla Garcia (Deceased)
 From: Elito and Divina Santos
 5:30pm Athletic Club (Deceased Members)
 From: Athletic Club

Sunday, June 23—Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00am Sonia Alejandro (Deceased)
 From: Elito and Divina Santos
 10:00am Janet Berwick (Living)
 From: Casey Ismaelito
 12:00pm Fiora Boffoli (Deceased)
 From: Your sons

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

God will restore the kingdom of Judah, as symbolized by the cedar. The deed is emphasized by the words, “As I, the Lord have spoken, so will I do.”

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Paul acknowledges “that we are, in a sense, away from the Lord while in this life and bound to our bodies.” We will be fully united with God in the next life, if we please him in this life.

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

The reign of God is compared to a mustard seed which is the smallest of seeds yet grows to become the largest of shrubs. Similarly, God’s community grows gradually until it becomes large and strong.

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Sunday Collection (6/9/2024)

Numbers for the collection the weekend of June 9, 2024 will be in next weekend’s bulletin.

Electronic Giving \$ 1,166.64

Thank you for your generosity to your parish & your continued stewardship.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new in the parish, we would appreciate it if you register. [Please PRINT clearly and drop in the collection box]

Name _____ Address _____

Phone Number _____ E-Mail _____

[] New Registration [] Change of Address [] Moving Out of Parish
 [] Send me Weekly Emails [] Send me Monthly Emails [] Want Envelopes [] Do Not Want Envelopes

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KID'S KORNER

Gospel Today

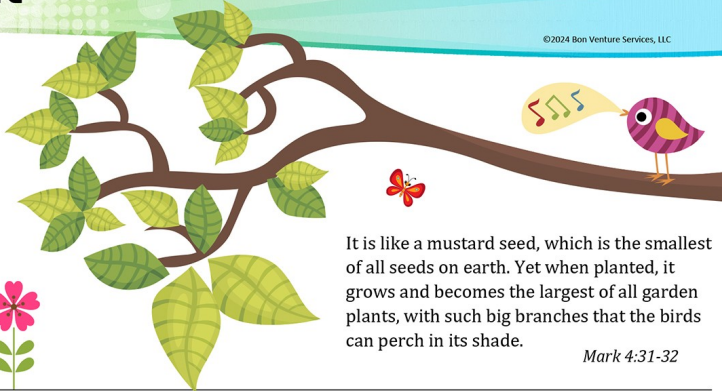
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 4:26-34

Like seeds planted in good soil, the Word of God grows quietly and powerfully in the hearts of His people.

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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



It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.

Mark 4:31-32

Kingdom	N	P	A	O	U	Q	D	E	T	N	A	L	P
God													
Parable	S	W	M	W	S	T	R	A	E	H	D	A	Y
Scattered													
Seeds	A	R	O	Q	T	S	E	G	R	A	L	N	L
Sprout													
Planted	N	R	N	S	C	A	T	T	E	R	E	D	T
Land													
Soil	D	S	G	P	J	R	O	S	R	V	L	O	E
Yields													
Harvest	T	D	R	R	S	E	M	O	C	E	B	M	I
Mustard	S	L	E	O	S	R	B	A	E	S	A	A	U
Smallest													
Sown	E	E	M	U	S	T	A	R	D	T	R	S	Q
Becomes													
Largest	L	I	H	T	B	N	O	L	S	E	A	D	T
Shrub													
Word	L	Y	L	L	U	F	R	E	W	O	P	E	R
Grows													
Quietly	A	F	I	T	R	I	P	E	O	P	L	E	A
Powerfully													
Among	M	G	O	D	H	Y	Z	A	R	C	W	S	I
Hearts													
People	S	N	S	T	S	K	I	N	G	D	O	M	N

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Thank you to all Fathers, living and deceased.

Father's Day Blessing

God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SHOE DRIVE FUNDRAISER

STARTS JUNE 2

BRING YOUR GENTLY WORN SHOES/SNEAKERS

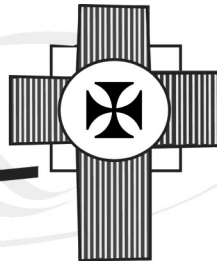
BINS IN SCHOOL PARKING LOT OR VESTIBULE FOR DROPOFF

REIGN OF GOD
like a mustard seed



We walk by

FAITH



"Pope Francis' Monthly Intentions

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.

WEBSITE (www.stvalentinchurch.com)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, June 15

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

Sunday, June 16

Happy Father's Day

Monday, June 17

No events scheduled

Tuesday, June 18

7:00pm Spiritual Book Club— Rectory

Wednesday, June 19

No events scheduled

Thursday, June 20

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

Friday, June 21

8:00pm Saint Valentine Prayer Group Meeting (Chapel)

Saturday, June 22

7:00pm Neo Catechumenal Eucharist (Chapel)

Sunday, June 23

No events scheduled

SAVE THE DATE:

June 18th—Next Spiritual Book Club—7pm

June 24th—Next Festival Comm. Mtg—7pm

June 30th—Sunday Barbeque for Parish—1pm

Sept 30th—Next Parish Council Meeting—7pm

Please PRAY For The Healing of those listed :

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

FOOD PANTRY

You can donate :

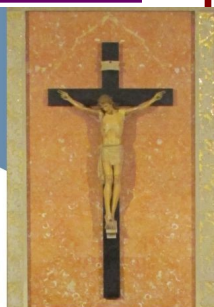
Cereal, Macaroni & Cheese, Soups, Canned Vegetables, Tuna, Peanut Butter, Jelly, and Spaghetti Sauce.

You may bring your donations to the Vestibule of the Church before Mass or at the Rectory during office hours.

Thank you for your kind generosity!



NEW YEAR FOR Faith Formation



Registration is open for the 2024-2025 year.



<http://www.stvalentinechurch.com/faith-formation.html>

DAILY READINGS

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

Monday

1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday

1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday

2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15

Friday

2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Mt 6:19-23

Saturday

2 Chr 24:17-25; Mt 6:24-34

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.

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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, EPHESUS - 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 11th 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 Filerimos, 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:

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