

Our Lady of the Valley Parish

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WEEK OF JANUARY 21, 2018

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of the Valley Parish is a community of believing Catholics empowered by the Holy Spirit to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, expressed in prayer, realized in liturgy, and serviced by action. We are made in the image of God to promote charity, justice, peace and a deep faith to all, especially those most in need of God's Mercy.

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon., Tues.. 12:10 pm St. Ann
Thur. & Fri.
NO Mass Wed.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:30 pm St. Ann
Sunday 7:00 am & 10:30 am St. Ann
Sunday 8:30 am St. Mary

TELEVISED MASS FOR SHUT-INS

Sunday 1:00 pm (channel 99 - Hornell)
Sponsored by Bishop & Johnson Funeral Home and Peish TV

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment St. Ann's Church
Tuesday & Thursday, 11:30 am - 12 pm
Saturday, 3:30 - 4:15 pm

BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office

WEDDINGS

Contact Parish Office 6 months in advance

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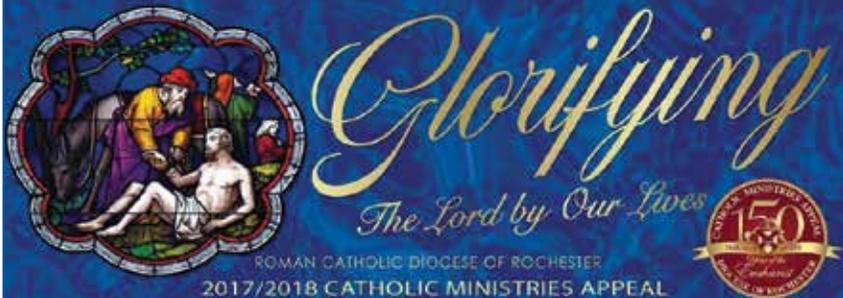
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BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Beth Ann Jacobs

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mark VanDurme



Stewardship

There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples - Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me - at *this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him? ...Sharon Heuckel's *Stewardship by the Book*

Our Lady of the Valley Masses and Intentions

SATURDAY ~ January 20 ~ St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

4:30pm. - St. Ann - Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McCormick by Tom and Rosemary
Tom Gibbs by an old friend

SUNDAY ~ January 21 ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am. - St. Ann - Rita Burkhardt by John and Susan Horan and Family
Grace Eagan by Anita Shick

8:30am. - St. Mary - Paul Stewart by the Peishers

10:30am. - St. Ann - Larry Pierce by Peggy Pierce
Anniversary - Robert Kemp by Carol and Family

MONDAY ~ January 22

12:10pm. - St. Ann - John and Margaret Dyring by Karen and Pen
Francis Argentieri by George and Bonnie Sexsmith

TUESDAY ~ January 23 ~ St. Vincent, St. Marianne Cope

12:10pm. - St. Ann - Zach Smith by Mom and Family
Rosemary Saam by Don, Bill, Margie, John, and Kathy

WEDNESDAY ~ January 24 ~ St. Francis de Sales

NO MASS

THURSDAY ~ January 25 ~ The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

12:10pm. - St. Ann - Mary Ann Ciancaglini by Tom and Kathy Roselli
Ruth Griswold by Isabelle, George, & Margaret Nobilski

FRIDAY ~ January 26 ~ SS. Timothy and Titus

12:10pm. - St. Ann - *Anniversary* - Rudy Anselm by Dolores D'Apice
Eileen White by Eileen Connors and Family

SATURDAY ~ January 27 ~ St. Angela Merici

4:30pm. - St. Ann - Grace Eagan by Mary and Joe Aini
Anniversary - Domenic "Mike" and Betty Cipolla by Beth

SUNDAY ~ January 28 ~ Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am. - St. Ann - *Birthday* - Jean Kubiak by Kubiak Family
David Peck by Bonnie Matacale

8:30am. - St. Mary - Paul Stewart by Mary Woodworth

10:30am. - St. Ann - Carl and Audrey Schafer by the Family
Lawrence A. Muscarella by Mr. and Mrs. William Ludden



The Pastor's Two Cents

Are you running away from God?

In the First Reading Jonah was quite repelled by the call God gave him. While, in the Gospel the disciples surely had no idea what they were getting into when they dropped everything and followed Jesus. Would they have been so quick to follow if they had known about the crucifixion?

In order to understand Jonah's response it is probably best to begin with the beginning of Jonah's story (Jonah, 1:1), which is several chapters earlier than our present reading. There God says to Jonah, "Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and preach against it; their wickedness has come up before me." So what does Jonah do? Jonah does exactly the opposite. He drops everything and races off to Joppa and boards a ship to Tarshish, apparently trying get as far from God's words as possible. So God sends a terrible storm. Jonah admits to the crew that he is fleeing God. He says, "Pick me up and hurl me into the sea and then the sea will calm down for you, for I know that this great storm has come upon you because of me." When nothing else works, with great reluctance, they toss him overboard. The sea turns quiet. Jonah in turn is swallowed by a "large fish," usually referred to in tradition as a whale (Jon 2:1). Residence within the fish, while I am sure not pleasant, gives Jonah plenty of time for retrospection. He prays a psalm-like prayer about what he has done. God hears him and saves him and tells him a second time to go to the great and sinful city of Nineveh to announce the Lord's message. Jonah submits at last and in today's First Reading the whole city is converted.

Why in the world didn't Jonah just follow God's command instead of running off in the opposite direction? One speculation is that Jonah did not want Nineveh, the pagan city, to convert and be saved because this city was an enemy of the Hebrews. But you and I both know what it is like to run from what God asks, so we can make our own speculations.

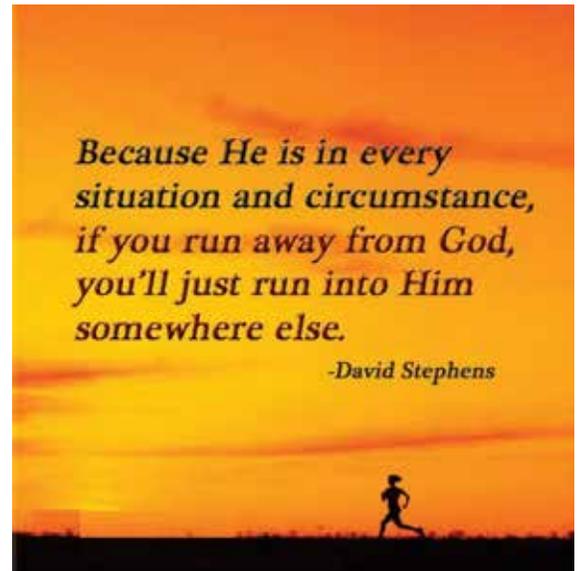
As for the apostles in today's Gospel, they didn't run away at all. They followed Jesus almost blindly. Possibly they wanted political action. With Jesus' gentle guidance they found out gradually what following the Messiah really meant. Whereas Jonah had imagined the worst and run away, the apostles imagined the best and ran to follow Jesus. As it happened, they ran into the worst: the passion and crucifixion. Lucky for us all, the resurrection followed since suffering seems to be inevitable in human life, and here was an answer.

Question: Are you running away, like Jonah, or running, like the apostles, toward Jesus? Either way you will surely have suffering. But God will keep after you, inviting you from fishy environments, calling to you, over and over, asking you to learn, in your obedience, what love is really about and to accept His love for you and His call to you!

As I shared in last weekend's homily, we all have a tendency to run away from what God asks of us, so much so that many times we never want to approach God to ask what it is that God would have us do! We, too often, forget that we do not do it alone. We often forget that if we respond to God's call we will be blessed beyond measure, in spite of the suffering and sacrifice.

So as I like to remind myself and you...

Don't forget, "The Lord is with you!" *Fr. Stan*



Parish Activities and Coming Events

Sunday: Rosary and Holy Hour - 3:00pm. in St. Ann's Church
Confirmation Program - January 21st. NO CLASS - Next Class January 28th. at 8:45am.
The Quest Youth Group - next meeting January 28th. 6:00-8:00pm. * Tour of St. Ann's Church

Wednesday: 1st. Communion Kick-off Meeting - January 24th., 6:30pm. in the Assembly Hall

Our Lady of the Valley

January 14, 2017

Actual - \$ 7,759

Year to Date Actual - \$ 222,200

Year to Date Budget - \$ 226,200

Utilities- \$ 1,575

Thank you for your generosity

It is important that all checks written out to the parish be made out to "Our Lady of the Valley".

CMA 2017 Donors

Mr. Michael A. Colomaio M/M Michael Deebes

M/M Shawn D. Hogan

Knights of Columbus 40 Week Club

Sunday, January 7, 2017 - Week #8

\$10 - Bill Carretto

\$15 - Olivia Tucker

\$25 - Leonard Caruso

Congratulations to All!

I am With You Always

Sometimes God can seem distant and silent. Yet he promised to stay with us always (Matthew 28:20). The same God who came to Bethlehem 2000 years ago still comes to us now to live in our churches and in our hearts.

Today, be mindful of God's loving presence. Ask him to help you grow closer to him.

Steuben County Rural Ministry and Sister Susan

Open: Monday - Wednesday - Friday * 698-4725

Hours: 9:00am.- 12:00noon

Scripture Readings

January 21, 2018 - 3rd. Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Second Reading: Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20



**Please join in achieving our parish Goal.
Have you made your Pledge ?**

Cleaning Crew Looking for Help

We are looking for 1 or 2 parishioners to help with cleaning the church on Wednesday mornings for the months of January, February and March. If you are available to help out 1-2 hours on Wednesday mornings please call the business office at 324-5811. **Meet at St. Ann's - 7:00am. on Wednesdays.**

Altar Server Schedule

St. Ann

Saturday, January 27th. - 4:30pm. ~ Allison Watt and Andrew Deebes

Sunday, January 28th. - 7:00am. ~ Brendan Deebes

Sunday, January 28th. - 10:30am. ~ Nicholas Gray and Tom Pieklo

Move Closer to God in the New Year

While contemplating your New Year's resolutions, wouldn't it be great to make at least one change this year that brings you closer to God? Consider these ideas from other Catholics to strengthen your prayer life, learn more about your faith, or serve your parish.

Greg was bored with his prayer routine and wanted a change. His priest suggested he try a novena, nine days of focused prayer. So, Greg chose a novena to the Immaculate Conception. He loved the meditations and felt a connection to Our Lady. Soon, he became hooked on novenas. Once again he was excited to spend time in prayer.

Jennifer's husband is not Catholic and asks lots of questions about her faith. Her own religious education ended years ago, and she became dismayed when she couldn't answer his questions. Learning that adult faith formation classes were starting in her parish, Jenn jumped at the chance to learn more. "Everything I discover helps me to grow stronger in my faith," Jennifer declared. "I'm so excited by what I'm learning; my husband wants to come, too."

Maureen's children are grown and on their own, yet she teaches a religious education class at her parish. "What better way to evangelize our faith than to share it with children? That's where I can do some real good," she said.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Sadly we recall that last September, Hurricane Maria tore through Puerto Rico and left the island devastated. Since then hundreds of thousands of Puerto Ricans have moved to the U.S. mainland, hundreds to the City of Rochester alone. Our parishes and Catholic agencies have worked tirelessly to extend a warm welcome to those displaced by the disaster, and will continue to be a bridge for those who need assistance transitioning to a new home. In turn, our faith communities have already benefited from our newest members, who are powerful witnesses of faith through times of struggle. They have begun to plant new roots in our Diocese, and we all will reap the fruits of that harvest. I encourage all Catholics in the Diocese of Rochester to reach out and welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ as they begin this new journey.

In this *Year of the Eucharist*, let us all continue to live as a Eucharistic people who are able to transcend difficulties and hardship brought by tragedy and embrace the new life promised to us in Jesus Christ!

Asking God's blessing upon our Diocese in this New Year, I remain Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano,
Bishop of Rochester

In order to find a Catholic church or Mass time anywhere in the country call 858-207-6277 or visit www.masstimes.org.

Recent Deaths

Our Condolences are extended to the families of

Antoinette Parlavecchia *James Hulse*

who have recently passed away. May the Lord bless them and keep them. May the Lord let His face shine upon them, and be gracious to them. Lord, look upon them kindly and give them peace.

"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you" (James 4:8).

Prayer Corner

As a parish we have been asked to pray for people who are sick, facing surgery, etc. We thank God for His healing goodness and ask that you **please let us know when someone can be removed from the prayer list.** Call the parish office at 324-5811.

Our Sick

Donald Griswold, Dorothy Meehan, Ruth A. Kendall, Mary Aini, Vicki Mastin, William McNelis, Patricia Jarrabet, Alexandra Argentieri, Debbie Lynn Panter, Willie Bilancio, Bill Peck, Ray Lockwood, Louise Rogstad, Stan Banko, Sara Didas, Mike Hillman, Fran Grillo, Dave and Linda Dean, Ophelia Jersey, Kathi Lawton, Dominic Conlan, Lucy Scrocco, Bob Mills, Gary & Pat (Knapp) Messinger, Jason Woodworth, Donna Roosa, Lynne Cardamone, Emmie DiNardo, Cathy Mayo, Emma Loree, Andy Rochester, Bonnie Conroy, John and Mary Fortuna, George (Pete) Gath, Beth Yurkewecz, Audrey Tilden, Mary Lou Daniels, Nadien Sorrentino, Frank Dori, Dick Lewis, Burglind Oakden, Jonathan Baek, Giavonna and Domenic D'Apice, Darlene Dibble, Julie Case, Diana Lichioveri, Jan Traeg, Trystan Weaver, Marie Patti, Ashley Zahradnick, Becky Dibble, Terry Lewis, Stacey Pullen, Joey Lecceardone, James Ahearn.

Our Men & Women Sewing in the Military

Rachel Mullen, Seth Baker, John Washington, Joe Hosing, Kyle Stewart, Sean Stillman, Jay Daniels, Ryan Phillips, Steven Miles, Cory Rose, Jacob O'Heron, Devin Head, Joe Ordway, Joe Hornbeck, Donald VanWinkle Jr., Gregory Addison, A.J. Murphy, Ryan O'Rourke, James McCormick, Brittney Caruso, Cameron Gallipau, Alan Rawleigh, Nathan Donahue, Malachi Weaver, Shannon Weaver, Terry Leonard, Kerrigan Lisi, David Hunt, Jessica Fahl Snider, Brandon Snyder, Matt Zapata, John Kelley, Pete Hornbeck, Robert Murray, Brittany Stoddard, Zachary Day, Michael Miko-lajczyk, Ben Pollinger, Dustin Kinnaird, Sam Argentieri, Amie Moore, Scott Ray, James Ray.



Chapel of Perpetual Adoration

*I have called you by your name, giving you
a title, though you knew me not.*

... Isaiah 45:4

Open Hours

Sunday at 1:00am. (every 4th. Week)

Wednesday at 9:00am.

Thursday at 2:00pm. & 6:00pm.

Friday at 2:00pm. and 11:00am. (for a few months)

Substitutes are welcomed. Please call:

Isabel Nobilski 324-1424 or Donna Kull 324-2884

5th ANNUAL ROCHESTER CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

March 10, 2018 * 8:00AM – 3:30PM

Theme: *“The Power of the Eucharist, Glorifying God
and Sanctifying the World”*

Cost: \$50.00 for mail-in registrations (**forms are available
at the entrances of both St Mary and St Ann's churches**)

\$53.00 for online registrations

\$25.00 for students

No refunds for no shows

Includes a continental breakfast and lunch

The day begins with the joyful celebration of Mass with Bishop Matano. Also includes national speakers Dr. Edward Sri and Danielle Bean, praying the rosary, opportunity for Reconciliation and Catholic vendors.

Please visit Rochestercwc.org/ to register online **OR** mail in the registration.

Deadline is Friday February 23, 2018. This conference sold out last year so don't delay in purchasing your ticket. (note: Attendance will be limited to 850 participants this year. No extra seating.)

Attention:

You must obtain permission prior to posting or placing anything in the church.

Please contact the Business Office...324-5811

1st. Holy Communion Kick-off Meeting

Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 6:30pm. in the Assembly Hall, for children scheduled to make their first holy communion in May and their parents. Because preparation for 1st. Holy Communion takes place in the home, it is imperative that you attend this meeting so we can answer any questions you may have concerning this preparation or the reception of the sacrament itself. We'll be distributing books and other material for the home study program.

ALSO we will be celebrating the completion of First Penance by serving refreshments and a light snack.

St. Ann's School Memorabilia (pictures, documents, etc.) still being accepted. Contact Peggy Lynch, 324-3640.

Sunday Gospel

Reflections

January 21, 2018 – 2nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mark 1:14-20

Gospel Summary - Jesus continues to call disciples to come and follow him. Simon and Andrew left their nets to follow him. James and John left their nets, their father, and their hired men to follow him. Jesus' presence and Jesus' words moved these men to leave everything behind, even though they did not fully understand that to which they were being called.

Reflection for Families - In Catholic parishes throughout the world we continue to see in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) children, youth, and adults who are answering the call to follow Jesus. They come to the Church curious about who Jesus is, what he teaches, and what following him means in their daily lives. We are a part of the community that encourages and guides them on their journey of conversion. But conversion, the turning of our minds and our hearts and our lives to God, is something we are all called to. Today is a good day to think about where we need to turn to or turn back to God. What do we hear him calling us to do? To change? To be?

Bringing the Gospel into your family - Lead a fun discussion about all the things each family member did today. Conclude by saying (in an exaggerated tone), “Whew! We were busy!” Then invite family members to think about where - in all the busyness - they took time to listen to the voice of Jesus. When did they pray? How did they serve him by helping or serving someone else? Challenge family members to take extra time for Jesus each day in the coming week. You may wish to make this a point of sharing each evening at dinner time or at bedtime.

Discussion Starters

- ◆ To me, following Jesus means...
- ◆ Something I would find hard to leave behind to follow Jesus is...because...
- ◆ One way I can be a fisher of men is...