

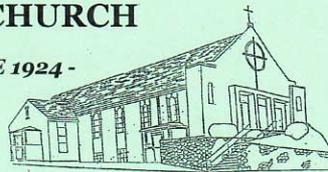
HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH

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BULLETIN for
6th Ordinary Sunday
February 14, 2021
Holy Mass at 9:00 AM

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The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass today is celebrated in **Contemporary Rite**;

Mass Intention for this Sunday is available. If you have one please see father before the Mass.

A reading from the Book of Leviticus (13:1-2, 44-46)

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, “If someone has on his skin a scab or pustule or blotch which appears to be the sore of leprosy, he shall be brought to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests among his descendants. If the man is leprous and unclean, the priest shall declare him unclean by reason of the sore on his head.

“The one who bears the sore of leprosy shall keep his garments rent and his head bare, and shall muffle his beard; he shall cry out, ‘Unclean, unclean!’ As long as the sore is on him he shall declare himself unclean, since he is in fact unclean. He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp.”



Psalm (32) *Response:* I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Blessed is he whose fault is taken away, whose sin is covered.

Blessed the man to whom the LORD imputes not guilt, in whose spirit there is no guile.

***Response:* I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, my guilt I covered not.

I said, “I confess my faults to the LORD,” and you took away the guilt of my sin.

***Response:* I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you just; exult, all you upright of heart.

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A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (10:31-11:1)

Brothers and sisters, Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. Avoid giving offense, whether to the Jews or Greeks or the church of God, just as I try to please everyone in every way, not seeking my own benefit but that of the many, that they may be saved. Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has arisen in our midst,
God has visited his people.

A reading from the Gospel according to St. Mark (1:40-45)

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, “If you wish, you can make me clean.” Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, “I do will it. Be made clean.” The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once.

We are Catholic community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values.
Everyone is always welcome to worship with us in our beautiful church. It is a house of prayer for all, who with sincere heart desire to praise the only God.

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them."

The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.



General Intercession: *Response:* Lord, hear our humble prayer.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

➡ **This week on Ash Wednesday we begin a time of Lent in the Church.** Once again we are invited to reflect on our Christian lives and make correction if needed, in order to be ready for celebrating the most important mysteries of our Catholic Faith - Passion, Death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. A Holy Mass on Ash Wednesday will be celebrated at 7.00 PM.

➡ **Holy Mass in our church during pandemic is celebrated with all precautions:** sanitizing of hands upon entrance and leaving the church, minimum 6 feet social distance in the pews and mouth/nose covering at ALL THE TIME while in the church. Holy Communion is available only in spiritual way, instead of sacramental one. The Act of Spiritual Communion will be used at this time.

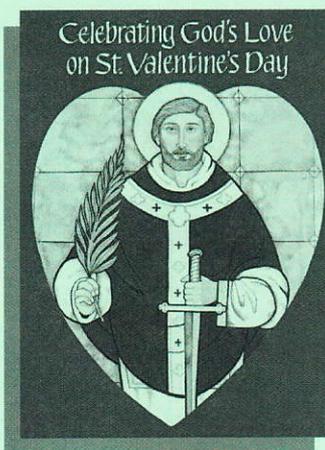
➡ **Home or hospital visits are only available upon personal request if it is safe and possible under the current pandemic restrictions. In case of emergency call directly Fr. Paul at 475-208-4455.**



➡ **Please remember in your prayer those who are suffering, sick or confined at home, hospitals and nursing homes, especially our parishioners and friends: Cheryl Peters (Oxford, CT), Diana Raczkowski (Naugatuck, CT), Logan Caruso (Wolcott, CT), Sarah Squezello (Stratford, CT) and Wendell Barry (Stratford, CT).**

➡ **There are opened Sundays for Mass intention in 2021.** If you want to pray for a special intention or offer prayer for somebody, (living or dead) feel free and book your Mass intention in advance.

➡ **Note:** Cheese/Potato pierogi and golabki (stuffed-cabbage), are available for sale in the parish hall.



How did St Valentine come to inspire Valentine's Day?

Saint Valentine lived in Rome during the 3rd century. He was a priest and physician. During this time Rome was ruled by an emperor named Claudius. Many people did not like the ruler. Claudius was having trouble getting men to serve in his army. He felt many men would not volunteer to join because they did not want to leave their wives and families. He thought that if men were not married, they would join the army. So, Claudius passed a new law, which did not allow any more marriages. Most people thought this law was cruel. Valentine as a priest did not support the new law. Even after Emperor Claudius passed the law, he kept performing marriage ceremonies secretly. One night he was caught and thrown in jail and told he would be put to death.

Many young people came to visit Valentine. One of them was the daughter of the prison guard. On the day of his death Valentine wrote a note to the daughter signed "Love from your Valentine". This was on February 14th, 269 A. D. Some say this started the custom of exchanging love messages on Valentine's Day.

Today, while it seems that the exchange of "valentines" is more the result of secular custom rather than the memory of St. Valentine, there is a Christian message that should be remembered. The love of our Lord, depicted beautifully in the image of His most Sacred Heart, is a sacrificial, self-less, and unconditional love. Such is the love that each Christian is called to express in his own life, for God and neighbor.

On this Valentine's day, looking to the example of this great saint, each person should offer again his love to the Lord, for only by doing so can he properly love those who are entrusted to his care and any other neighbor. Each person should again pledge his love to those loved ones, praying for their intentions, promising fidelity to them, and thanking them for their love in return. Never forget what Jesus said, "This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you. There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends" (Jn 15:12-13). St. Valentine fulfilled this command, and may we do the same.