



### **BLESSED SACRAMENT MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.  
 Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
 Weekday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

### **CONFESSIONS**

Tuesdays: 7:00 to 8:00 a.m.  
 9:00 to 10:00 p.m.  
 Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:25 p.m.  
 or by appointment at Blessed Sacrament.

### **OUR LADY OF LOURDES MASS SCHEDULE**

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

### **BAPTISMS**

Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: Since Baptism is not a private celebration, but an incorporation in the large community of the Church, Baptisms are ordinarily celebrated on the fourth Sunday of each Month after the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses.

### **WEDDINGS**

Couples intending Marriage should call the Rectory at least six months in advance of the planned date.

### **RCIA**

Please call the Rectory if you know of someone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith.

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### **OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH**

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Monday–Friday ..... 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

# Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Fr. Michael says:

Somehow, the February 14 feast of a little-known Catholic martyr has become a major secular holiday complete with its own traditions. I thought it would be good to take a look at who this Valentine actually was.



From Catholic News Agency, a history of the real St. Valentine: "According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, at least three different St. Valentines were recorded in early histories of martyrs under the date of

February 14. There are also accounts of an African St. Valentine, an early Christian who was persecuted along with his companions, but it seems that nothing else is known about this possible saint.

The St. Valentine celebrated today may have been two different people. One account holds that St. Valentine was a priest in Rome, and the other says that he was a bishop of Interamna (modern-day Terni). Both of these men were persecuted and ultimately killed for their faith, and buried somewhere along the Flaminian Way. It is also possible that they were the same person.

'He was either a Roman priest and physician who was martyred or he was the Bishop of Terni, Italy, who was also martyred in Rome, around 270 A.D. by Claudius the Goth,' who was the Roman emperor at the time, said Fr. Brendan Lupton, an associate professor of Church history at Mundelein Seminary in Illinois.

St. Valentine - whether priest or bishop - was martyred on February 14, now celebrated as Valentine's Day. According to most accounts, he was beaten and then beheaded, after a time of imprisonment.

Local devotion to him spread, and Pope Julius I had a basilica dedicated to the saint built approximately two miles from Rome, over Valentine's burial place. His skull is now kept in the Basilica of Santa Maria in Rome, and is decorated with flower crowns on his feast day.

Lupton said St. Valentine was one of the first Christian martyrs when the general persecution of Christians started in the Roman Empire.

Some Valentine's Day traditions can be correlated with St. Valentine's life, such as the exchanging of cards, Lupton said, or the celebration of romantic love.

'One (account) was that he had befriended the jailer's daughter, where he was being imprisoned, and when he died, he left her a note inscribed with 'From your Valentine,' Lupton said. Other accounts say that exchanging cards on Valentine's Day recalls how St.

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Valentine would send notes to fellow Christians from prison.

'Another story is that Claudius the Goth actually had prohibited marriage amongst soldiers. He felt that if soldiers were married, they'd be less devoted to the army, especially at that time and they needed as many troops as possible. So there was a legend that Valentine actually had married soldiers in secret,' Lupton said.

St. Valentine's Day as it is known today was also instituted as a substitute for a cruder Roman holiday at the time, called Lupercalia, Lupton added.

Lupercalia was a popular feast celebrated in Rome, during which a group of pagan priests would sacrifice different types of animals and then run through the streets of Rome, slapping young women with the animal hides, a ritual that was thought to guarantee their health and fertility for the year.

'And so Pope Gelasius, around the 5<sup>th</sup> century, replaced the Lupercalia with Saint Valentine's Day,' Lupton said. Parts of Valentine's Day are entirely unrelated to the real St. Valentine. He did not, for instance, go around shooting people (or even hearts for that matter) with bows and arrows. That imagery was taken from the Roman god Cupid, who was also a god of love.

He also did not distribute chocolates to his loved ones; the real St. Valentine predates chocolates as we know them by more than 1500 years."

February 14th is also the feast day of Saints Cyril and Methodius, the famous "apostles to the Slavs" who brought the Bible and the liturgy to the Slavic people - and even put together the Cyrillic alphabet that is still used today.



**In the hospital(s) as of February 9, 2023**

**Trinity West:** Robert Kovalchik,

**Trinity East:** Debora Delgallo & Thomas McGirty

If you are admitted to a hospital, please call or have a family member call the parish office and let us know. **The hospitals do not call us.** We cannot visit you if we are not made aware.

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### **Dates to Remember:**

**March 4: Youth Day**  
 (Saturday) Kindergarten - Grade 5  
 @ Holy Family Malara Hall 9:30am – 12:00 noon

**March 5: Confirmation Retreat**  
 (Sunday) **All Candidates from All Parishes**  
 @Holy Family Malara Hall 5:00 – 8:00pm

**March 15: Celebration of First Reconciliation for All Parishes**  
 (Wed.) @Holy Rosary Church 6:30 p.m.  
**Sponsor Certificates & Chosen Confirmation Names are due at this time!**

**March 23: First Communion Parent Meeting**  
 (Thursday) @ Holy Rosary Auditorium 7:00pm


If your child is to receive either of these sacraments, please make every effort to attend the meetings that are required. Thank you!

**Please remember in your prayers the intentions of our Holy Father, Pope Francis**

**FEBRUARY**

(FOR PARISHES)

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need

<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Feb. 11</b>	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time <b>John DiBenedetto</b> (Kathy & Rob DiBenedetto)
4:30pm	(BLS)	
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Feb. 12</b>	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time <b>Luigi Almonte {Anniv}</b> (daughter, Hilda DeStefanis & family)
8:00am	(BLS)	
9:30am	(OLL)	<b>Doug Thorne</b> (Steve & Annette Seminara)
11:00am	(BLS)	<b>Living and deceased members of our Wintersville parishes</b>
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Feb. 13</b>	Weekday
8:00am	BLS	<b>Special Intentions for Andrew Williams</b> (family)
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>Feb. 14</b>	St. Cyril, monk & St. Methodius, bishop
8:00am	 (BLS)	<b>Good health &amp; blessings for Brian Scarnecchia</b> (wife, Victoria)
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Feb. 15</b>	Weekday
8:00am	(BLS)	<b>Vincent Chociej</b> (Bill & Nancy Chociej)
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>Feb 16</b>	Weekday
8:00am	(BLS)	<b>Mary Albaugh</b> (Sandy & Jim Petrozzi)
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Feb 17</b>	Weekday
8:00am	(BLS)	<b>Adam Scurti</b> (Jerry Jo Gilham)
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Feb 18</b>	Weekday
8:00am	(BLS)	<b>George Neumayr</b> (Michael & Susie Waldstein)
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Feb 18</b>	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30pm	(BLS)	<b>Living and deceased members of our Wintersville parishes</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Feb 19</b>	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	(BLS)	<b>Joyce Senecal</b> (D'Aurora family)
9:30am	(OLL)	<b>For the souls in Purgatory</b> (Anonymous)
11:00am	(BLS)	<b>Jack &amp; Rose Rempe</b> (Stacy Beigel)



## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

for February 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

<b>Saturday 2 / 18</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>
Lector	Mark Morelli
EMOCH	Jeff Aceto
Servers:	(Volunteers)
<b>Sunday 2 / 19</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
Lector	Christina Mitchell
EMOHC	Tony Corella
Servers:	John & Christian Mitchell
<b>(At OLL)</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
Lector	Luci Leonard
Servers:	(Volunteers)
	<b>11:00am</b>
Lector	John DuBois
EMOHC:	Cindy Gregor
Servers:	Kyle Shultz & Abigail Puorro
If you are unable to be at your designated ministry when you are scheduled, <u>it is your responsibility</u> to find a replacement. Thank you! Please don't just not show up.	

## PARISH & LOCAL NEWS / EVENTS

### DOUGHNUT SUNDAY CHANGE:

We will have this social event **THIS SUNDAY, Feb. 12,** after the 11:00am Mass in upper Sargus hall.



We offer adoration at Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday evening from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. The Rosary is recited at 7:00pm. I encourage all of you to take some time and stop in to sit quietly with our Lord.

**OLL CWC:** We will once again have our “Souper Bowl” soup sale on Sunday, Feb. 12, after the 9:30am mass. The Following soups will be available: Bean, Chili, Green Pepper, Italian Vegetable, Sausage, and Wedding. All Soups will be \$7.00 a quart and once again: **NO PRE-SALES!**



**ST. VINCENT de PAUL MINISTRY:** Thank you for providing 7,500 meals for Thanksgiving and Christmas Distributions, including holiday dinners, and 400 gifts for children and adult only households!! We've returned to

our regular monthly schedule and information is available on our phone message: **740 264-9547**. In March, we'll have our traditional St. Joseph's Table in both churches. Our next “big” project is Easter. We'll again let recipients chose their dinner; children up to 12 will receive “basket candy”, and teens and adult only households get a special treat. You make it possible for us to serve all God's Little Ones He sends to our door. Let your light shine!

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**ST. FRANCIS SOCIETY:** The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, February 14, at 12:00noon**, in upper Sargus Hall. Deacon Ben Gessler will be the guest speaker.

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**LENTEN RETREAT:** The Franciscan Sisters, TOR invite you to our annual Lenten Retreat on **Saturday, March 11**. This year's theme is **Christ's Descent: Rousing the Realm of the Dead**. Dr. Regis Martin (professor of theology at Franciscan University of Steubenville) will lead a meditation elaborating on this theme, in the context of the Shroud of Turin and the mystery of Holy Saturday. Sr. Monica Spates, TOR will share a testimony, and the day will also include Mass, a Holy Hour, and an option for prayer ministry or faith-sharing groups. The retreat will be held in person at our Motherhouse in Toronto OH, and will also be live streamed for those wishing to attend virtually. Registration can be found on our website under Events. There is no fee to register but a freewill offering is appreciated if you are able. We highly encourage prior registration for both the in-person component and the virtual component. If you'd like to participate in a share group (either in-person or virtually), registration is required by Wednesday, March 8th. For more information, see our Events page or contact Sr. Anna Rose at (740) 544-6620. We hope to see you there!

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### PARISH LENTEN MISSION:

**Mon. March 13 – Wed. March 15**

**St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church in Weirton**

Dr. John Bergsma, Franciscan University professor of theology, will be giving talks on Spiritual Warfare and the Eucharist! **This event is totally free**, but due to the positive response we've thus far gathered, we're asking all attendees to pre-register on our website ([www.stjoeweirton.com](http://www.stjoeweirton.com) - the registration portion can be found at the bottom of the Mass Times section which is located on the home page).



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