

ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH, PHILADALPHIA, PA

SUNDAY JANUARY 19th 2nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, (GREEN)

9:30AM Mass for the Intentions of our Parish Family.

MONDAY JANUARY 20th S.S. FABIAN & SABASTIAN, MARTYRS

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

8AM Mass for the soul of the departed Bishop Thaddeus Pepelowski, 17th Anni of death.

TUESDAY JANUARY 21st ST. MEINRAD, MONK & MARTYR, (RED)

8AM Mass for an increase of Vocations.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 22nd OF THE 2nd WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME, (GREEN)

8AM Mass for the health of the sick.

THURSDAY JANUARY 23rd OF THE 2nd WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME, (GREEN)

8AM Mass for peace.

FRIDAY JANUARY 24th ST. TIMOTHY, BISHOP, (WHITE)

8AM Mass for the soul of the departed Fr. Bornislaw Krupski

SUNDAY JANUARY 26th 3rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, (GREEN)

LESSON: Neh. 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10 LESSON: 1st Cor. 12:12-30 GOSPEL: St. Luke 2:1-4, 4:14-21

9:30AM Mass for the soul of the departed Ronald Borzuk; from all Souls list.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS: JANUARY 12th Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord;
JANUARY 18th Week of Christian unity begins; JANUARY 21st Martin Luther King Day**

CHRISTMAS TAKE DOWN: Thank you to everyone who helped put Christmas away.

SACRED VOCATIONS: Please pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and Diaconate.

BESSED MOTHER MARY: In the Gospel today we see Jesus, Mary and the disciples at the wedding in Cana. Mary was there as a guest but also to help serve the wedding meal. We see that the wine has run out. The jars that held the wine held 500 gallons, that must have been a lot of drinking. Mary finds out the wine is all gone and tells Jesus. The reaction of Jesus may have what we would have said, “how is that my problem?” Jesus gives in to His Blessed Mother.

She tells the waiters “Do what He tells you.” Which is what we are to do, what He tells us. Jesus turns water into wine, the day is saved. Mary is our spiritual mother. She is there to love and care for us. We are not to worship her as we do Jesus, but to venerate her. To hold her a model devotion to Jesus Mary tells us to do as Jesus tells us. On the cross Jesus gives Mary to us as a mother and guide. Mary is not equal to the Trinity. Years ago, some people tried to make that so. Blessed Mary is there for us to call on as a spiritual mother. Imagine the pain she felt as she watched her son die on cross. Holy Mary pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

IN NEED OF PRAYER: Michele Elliot, Bridgette Roth, Christi Duff, Nancy, Kyle, Fr. Carmen, Maria Harrington.