## ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH, PHILADALPHIA, PA

## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16th SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY, (ROSE)

9:30AM Mass for the soul of the departed Prime Bishop Francis Hodur, 72nd Anni of death.

MONDAY FEBUARY 17th PRE-LENTEN WEEKDAY, (ROSE) PRESIDENT'S DAY 8AM Mass for the intentions of our parish family.

TUESDAY FEBUARY 18th PRE-LENTEN WEEKDAY, (ROSE) 8AM Mass for Peace.

## WEDNESDAY FEBUARY 19th PRE-LENTEN WEEKDAY, (ROSE)

8AM Mass for the health of the sick.

# THURSDAY FEBUARY 20th ST. MEINRAD, MONK & MARTYR, (RED) 8AM Mass for increase of Vocations.

#### FRIDAY FEBUARY 21st health of the sick.

8AM Mass for the soul of the departed Fr. Josef Zielonko

# SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23rd SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY, (ROSE)

LESSON: 1st Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 LESSON: 1st Cor. 15:45-49 GOSPEL: St. Luke 6:27-38

9:30AM Mass for the soul of the departed Elizabeth Boyko; Req. by son Leon

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS: FEBRUARY 17th Presidents Day,

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: If you have not taken Christmas decorations off the graves, please do so this week, or they will be thrown away.

PRE-LENT: We are given these next three Sunday to prepare for the season of Great Lent. Although many of us are past the age when we need to fast, we can take this time think how we can best give ourselves back to God. **SACRED VOCATIONS:** Please pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and Diaconate.

BLESSED ARE YOU: Both Gospel accounts of St. Matthew and St. Luke give us the Sermon on the Mount. Although St. Luke has Jesus giving it on the plain. Both tell us that we are blessed. This is what God thinks of us. Because we believe in Jesus and follow Him. We live in a world that has turned its back on Jesus. They want to go their own way and hate the words of our Divine Master. When we endure the hardships of life, Jesus is with us. At times it may not seem that way, but Jesus takes care of us. When it feels like there is no hope Jesus is there beside us to see us through the tough times and holds us up. When the world hates us Jesus loves us. When we are sad Jesus brings us joy. When we feel knocked down He lifts us up. Jesus deals with those who think too much of themselves as it says in today's Gospel. When it seems that someone has the upper hand, they will fail and we will triumph with Jesus. We are not boast we are to be humble and not feel superior. By enduring all we will have the reign of God as our reward.

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

