

# LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Feb 26, 2017 – **Quinquagesima Sunday**

- **9:30 AM - Holy Mass**  
+ Suzanne Valerio – requested by Lisa Valerio

Monday, Feb 27, 2017 - **Weekday**

Tuesday, Feb 28, 2017 - **Weekday**

Wednesday, March 1, 2017 – **Ash Wednesday**

- **10:00 AM - Holy Mass with blessing and imposition of Ashes**  
+ Jan Dryfik – requested by family
- **7:00 PM - Holy Mass with blessing and imposition of Ashes**  
+ Suzanne Valerio – requested by Joyce & Kris Kaczmarczyk

Thursday, March 2, 2017 – **Lenten Weekday**

Friday, March 3, 2017 – **Lenten Weekday**

Saturday, March 4, 2017 - **Lenten Weekday**

Sunday, March 5, 2017 – **First Sunday of Lent**

- **9:30 AM - Holy Mass**  
+ Suzanne Valerio – requested by Linda Valerio

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**LAST WEEK COLLECTION: \$ 226.00**

## FAITH SHARING

In today's Gospel, Jesus emphasizes the impossibility of serving two opposed masters, namely God and riches. Man's ultimate goal and Master is God and not material possessions. Material possessions help us reach our ultimate goal, God, only when we share them with the needy. Therefore, Jesus calls us to a detachment from material goods and a life of simplicity and dependence on God. Then Jesus exhorts his disciples to avoid unnecessary worries. Worry is a pagan or an irreligious attitude of those who don't believe in a loving and providing God. In nature, other creatures, like birds, work hard for their daily food, but they don't worry about tomorrows. Worry is

useless because we cannot increase even an inch of height by days of worrying. Worry is also injurious to the health causing physical and mental problems and illnesses.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

There are two Holy Masses on Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. Blessing and Imposition of Ashes during these Masses is our important symbolic act of faith. It tells us the truth about ourselves, of who we are and where we go. Please make sure you have time to begin with God this Lent.

## GORZKIE ŻALE - LENTEN LAMENTATIONS

Lenten (or Bitter) Lamentations is a Catholic devotion containing many hymns that developed out of Poland in the 18th century. The devotion is primarily a sung reflection and meditation on the Passion of Christ and the sorrows of His Blessed Mother. The devotion consists of a three-part cycle, subdivided into five unique parts. One part of the cycle is held on each Sunday in the period of Lent. The devotion originated in Holy Cross Church in Warsaw and from there it spread to whole of Poland and to whole world, wherever Polish immigrants have found their new home.

In our Parish we are going to sing Gorzkie Żale on each Sunday of Lent right after 9:30 AM Mass.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There are many ways to celebrate Lent, one of them is the way of the Cross. Lenten practice should lead us closer to Christ, and to appreciate the great gift that he gave to us of his Passion. As we



draw closer to him, we remember the great love and mercy that he has for us, and we remember that in his presence sin and death no

longer need to be feared, for he has conquered them by his cross. Each Friday of Lent we will have Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM in our Church.

**MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE**



Almost all Sundays of this year are open for Mass intentions. If you want to order a Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in our parish please call parish office (215-535-4978) or mail your request to 2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA

19137, or email it to stvalentinespncc@gmail.com

Holy Mass is not only reserved for repose of the soul but it can be offered for any person and any intention, for example your wedding anniversary, birthday, special blessing for your children or grandchildren, special blessing for your family etc.

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**PARISH BLESSINGS and GRATITUDE**

We are grateful to everyone who gives Time, Talents and Treasure of your prayer and donations. GODS BLESSINGS to all, for your FAITH and labor of LOVE in taking care, repairing and restoring out Parish Church!

**May God bless you all for your wonderful work!!!**

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No one can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other.

You cannot serve God and mammon. *(Matthew 6: 24-25)*

Nikt nie może dwom panom służyć. Bo albo jednego będzie nienawidził, a drugiego – miłował; albo z jednym będzie trzymał, a drugim wzgardzi.

Nie możecie służyć Bogu i Mamonie! *(Mt 6, 24-25)*

**Quinquagesima Sunday**

**February 26, 2017**