

# LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Feb 19, 2017 – **Sexagesima Sunday**

- **9:30 AM - Holy Mass**

Monday, Feb 20, 2017 - **Weekday**

Tuesday, Feb 21, 2017 - **Weekday**

Wednesday, Feb 22, 2017 - **Weekday**

Thursday, Feb 23, 2017 – **Weekday**

Friday, Feb 24, 2017 – **Feast – St. Matthias, Apostle**

Saturday, Feb 25, 2017 - **Weekday**

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

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

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**LAST WEEK COLLECTION: \$ 270.00**

## FAITH SHARING

Today's readings explain why Christians are expected to be holy and how we are meant to become holy people. The first and second readings give us reasons why we should be holy and the Gospel describes the methods of becoming holy people prescribed for us by Jesus.



Jesus tells us that what makes Christians different is the grace with which they treat others, offering them loving kindness and mercy, even if they don't deserve this treatment. We are commanded to love our enemies as Jesus loves us, with *agápe* love,

not because our enemies deserve our love, but because Jesus loves them so much that he died for them as he did for us.

Today's Scripture readings really challenge us to become holy as our God is holy by loving, forgiving and blessing others as our Holy God does.

## THANK YOU, BISHOP BERNARD!

It is a true blessing for our parish, that Rt. Rev. Bernard Nowicki, Bishop of Central Diocese, one more time could be with us, especially that the last Sunday was so special for us. We had a privilege and honor to celebrate St. Valentine's feast day together with our Bishop. Thank you!

## GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION

For those who have any gluten allergies or coeliac (celiac) disease, gluten free Communion is available in our parish. Please make your request right before Mass in sacristy and priest will consecrate for you a gluten free host.

## BRING YOUR OLD PALM

Do you still have your palm from last year Palm Sunday? Please bring it and place it in the sacristy. We burn the palm of last year's Palm Sunday and will be using the ashes on this year Ash Wednesday.

## LENT IS COMING

Yes, time runs very fast. Please mark your calendar and be ready for Ash Wednesday on March 1, 2017. Blessing and Imposition of Ashes in our parish during Mass at 10.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m.

## 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](mailto: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.

**GREETINGS FROM POLAND**

I would like to send my greetings from Poland to all my Parishioners and Friends. I miss you all! Please pray for my safe trip home. See you soon! Fr. M.

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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!

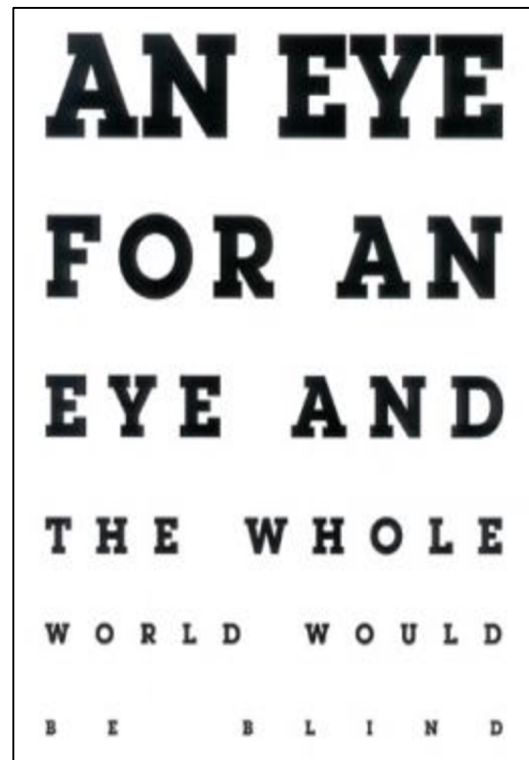
**May God bless you all for your wonderful work!!!**

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**ST. VALENTINE’S PARISH**

**Polish National Catholic Church**

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You have heard that it was said, *An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.* But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well. (*Matthew 5: 38-40*)

Słyszeliście, że powiedziano: *Oko za oko i ząb za ząb.* A Ja wam powiadam: Nie stawiajcie oporu złemu: lecz jeśli cię ktoś uderzy w prawy policzek, nadstaw mu i drugi. (*Mt 5, 38-40*)

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