

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OF CZESTOCHOWA

National Catholic Church

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February 21, 2021



Worship Schedule:

Sunday 9:00 am - Holy Mass (in-person & livestream on Facebook)

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 'B'
February 21, 2021

Lector: Ellen Sharkey

Ushers: Patti, Dick, Michele, Ed

Cantor: Ellen Sharkey

Trustees: Wayne, Matt

Cycle of Prayer: St. Valentine Parish, Philadelphia PA

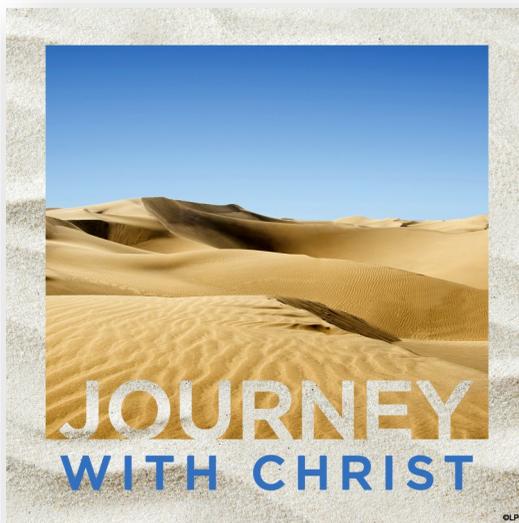
Mass Intention:

Sun. February 21 - **In Memory of +Włodzimierz “Walter” Hudak**

Sun. February 28 - **In Memory of +Helen Sawczak-Madanowski** (req. by Ed Sawczak)

Sun. March 14 - **In Memory of +Frederic & Norman Carlson** (req. by Sondra Carlson)

Sun. April 18 - **In Memory of +Margaret Falato** (req. by Matt & Peggy Falato)



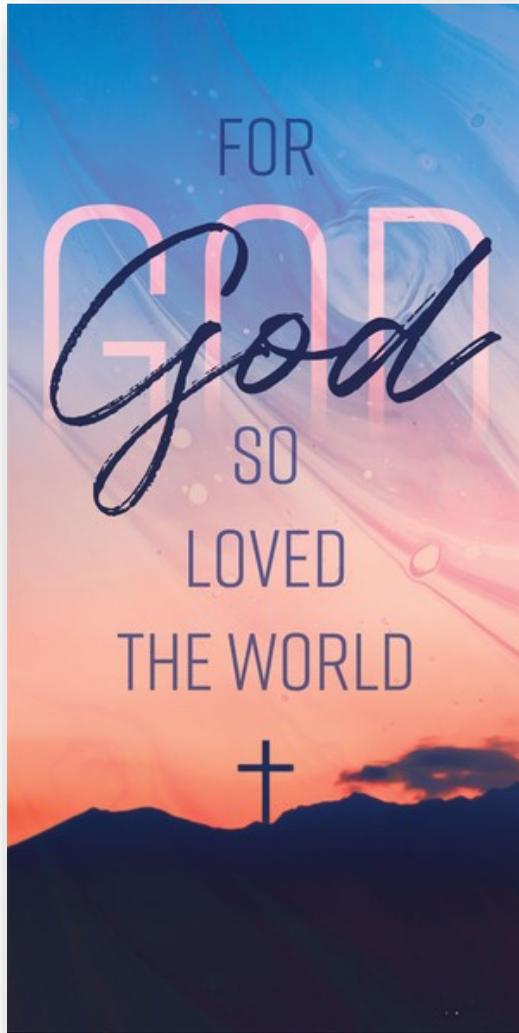
Announcements

Requests for all announcements must be received by noon Wednesday each week.

Please contact Justine Fazziola (bulletin@bvmc.org)

- **Lent** is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, **we seek the Lord in prayer** by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. **We are called to practice self-discipline and fast** throughout the season. In addition, **the giving of alms** is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs."
- **Sunday Masses are in-person** (with COVID-19 protocol in place), **and streamed LIVE** (Facebook) on **Sundays at 9:00 AM**, [facebook.com/BVMC.Church/videos/?ref=page_internal](https://www.facebook.com/BVMC.Church/videos/?ref=page_internal). This Mass is recorded and available later on our parish website at bvmc.org/media-sunday-mass on Sundays beginning 11:00 am.
- **'Thank you' for your continuing support of our parish during these challenging times. We appreciate your prayers and donations.** You can donate by mail: **BVMC Parish, 250 Old Maxwell Rd., Latham NY 12110**, or through online giving, <https://www.bvmc.org/giving> which is secure and easy. If you need assistance, please contact our financial officers, **Mark Roach - bvmc.church@gmail.com**, or **Mark Peplowski - bvmc.church@gmail.com**. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.**





Happening at BVMC



Sunday, February 28

9:00 AM Holy Mass (in-person & livestream on Facebook)

Lector: Mary-Lou Epner

Ushers: Mark, George, Regina, Matt

Trustees: Bob, Ed



DATES TO REMEMBER

March 23 – PNCC Lenten Retreat (via Zoom)

March 27 – Easter Food Sale

March 28 – Palm Sunday

April 4 – Easter

DISCIPLESHIP 2021

February – JEREMIAH

Jer 1:10-10; 12:1—6; 20:7—18

Jeremiah's story reveals both the inner struggles and external persecutions that come with being a faithful instrument of God's will. Yet, his journey only foreshadows the reality of the Cross as embraced by our Lord Jesus for our salvation and given to us as the daily means of our own discipleship (Luke 9:23).

We can all feel like Jeremiah sometimes, but as members of the Church, we are called to help one another remain faithful when times are difficult.

