



OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH

820 WESTERLY PARKWAY, STATE COLLEGE, PA 16801

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm (Not Easter)
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am,
11:30am

Weekday:

Mon : 8:00am Mass
Tue.: 8:00am Mass
Wed. 8:00am Comm. Svc.
Thu.: 8:00am NO MASS
6:30pm Mass
Fri.: 8:00am NO MASS
9:00am NO MASS
Sat. 9:00am NO MASS

See inside for Holy Week
Schedule

Confessions—see inside

Adoration of Blessed

Sacrament takes place after
8:00am Mass Tuesday until
4:00pm and Thursday until
8:00pm with Reposition.

Rosary:

Mon. Tues., Wed. & Sat.:
8:25am
Thur. & Fri: 7:25am

The Church is open Monday -
Sunday 7:00am to 8:00pm.

OLV Online Giving: go to
www.ourladyofvictory.com
and click on the link
<https://abundant.co/olvsc> to
give online.

- Text Giving: Text OLVSC
to 73256.

- Use the Abundant App,
which you can download on
your smartphone.

- Scan QR code



Reduction, Christmas &
Easter online.

You are now
able to give to
School,
Maintenance,
Twin Parish
Mission, Debt

April 12 & 13, 2025
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



Office Phone

Office Fax

Church Website:

Church E-mail:

School

Preschool

School/Preschool Website

Diocesan Website

OLV Prayer Network

814-237-7832

814-237-6709

www.ourladyofvictory.com

office@ourladyofvictory.com

814-238-1592

814-238-6616

www.olv Catholicschool.org

www.ajdiocese.org

prayer@ourladyofvictory.com

Flocknote: Are you missing out on important announcements from Our Lady of Victory. This is the quickest and most effective way to get up-to-date OLV news to you. If you are not getting flocknote emails, we may not have your email address on record at the Church. To sign up, go to <https://ourladyofvictory10.flocknote.com/OLVParishioner>.

Parish Staff - (814) 237-7832

Pastor, Fr. George Jakopac gjakopac@dioceseaj.org
Deacon David Lapinski dcl@ourladyofvictory.com
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Secretary, Diane Lapinski
Director of Development, Chris Kirkpatrick
Director of OCIA, Deacon David Lapinski
Director of Religious Education, Susan Ishmael
Director of Music, Joe Malafarina
Principal, Samantha Weakland - (814) 238-1592
Pre-School Director, Anne Bord - (814) 238-6616

Secretaries' Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30-4pm.

Bulletin Notice

Material to be published in the following week's bulletin should be on Diane's desk no later than Monday, 9:00am.

Baptism

Sundays, 1:00pm, with arrangements having been made previously by contacting Diane.

Marriage

Diocesan Regulations require nine months prior notice. Contact Betty, the Secretary.

Sacrament of Penance: Thursdays at 5:30pm - 6:00pm and Saturdays, 4:00-4:30pm and 6:00-6:30pm. (Not Holy Week)

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays following 8:00am Mass, with Reposition at 4:00pm and Thursdays, following the 9:00am Mass with Reposition at 8:00pm. Holy week schedule differs.

Collections April 6: Envelopes \$33,821.54; Loose \$3,185.00; Online Giving \$3,060.00; School \$155.00; Maintenance \$1,107.00; Debt Reduction \$98.00; Gabriel Project \$165.00; Candles \$364.00; Donuts \$92.00; Book Rack \$51.00; Easter Flowers \$375.00; Catholic Relief Services \$158.00. Total \$42,231.54.

The Marian Gift Shop in the Activities Center is open Sundays from 10:00am to 11:15am. Visit and receive a Divine Mercy Holy Card. We have greeting cards and gift items for Easter and First Communion. Contact Rose Marboe at 814-883-4446 to schedule shopping for a different time or to volunteer to help. The Gift Shop is closed Easter Sunday.

Hospital Stay - Call the Church Office at 237-7832 if you are or will be a patient at Mount Nittany Medical Center and wish the Eucharist brought to you. This facility does not notify us, so you or your family must call the church.



Are You or Someone You Know Interested in Becoming Catholic?

If you are interested, please email the Office of Christian Initiation of Adults: becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, April 14

8:00am - † Michael Criqui by The Chelsea Randolph Family

Tuesday, April 15

8:00am - † Bea Sommer by Mary & Eric Weidenhof

Adoration ends at 4:00pm

Wednesday, April 16

8:00am - † Communion Service

6:30pm - Tenebrae Prayer Service (Ch)

7:30pm - Living Stations (OLV Sch Gym)

Thursday, April 17 Holy Thursday

6:30pm - † Reauelle King by The Wincek Family

No Confessions. Adoration after Mass until at 10:00pm

Friday, April 18 Good Friday

1:00pm - The Lord's Passion

6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 19 Holy Saturday

10:00am - Rehearsal for Easter Vigil (OCIA and Altar Servers)

11:15am - Blessing of Easter Food Baskets

12:00pm - Easter Egg Hunt, School Field

8:00pm - † Doug McDonald by Bob Crowe & Kathleen Taylor

Sunday, April 20 Easter Sunday

7:30am - † Judy Tortora by Mary McGuire

9:30am - † Anita Montante by Karen Kearney

11:30am - † Frank Chan by The Meyer Family

Sponsor of the Week: Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **Nature's Cover** this bulletin could not be possible. Be sure to remember them when you need their services. If you would like to advertise in the weekly bulletin, please contact Mike McAleer, from LPi, our bulletin printer at (412) 855-8013 or mmcaleer@4lpi.com.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Living Stations of the Cross: OLV School Gym

Saturday, April 12: 7:30pm

Wednesday, April 16: 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY – April 16 Tenebrae Prayer Service:
6:30pm (Church) (Tenebrae will end in time to attend
Living Stations)

TRIDUUM LITURGIES

HOLY THURSDAY– April 17

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 6:30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass
until 10:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY – April 18

Celebration of The Lord's Passion: 1:00pm

Stations of the Cross: 6:30pm

HOLY SATURDAY – April 19

Blessing of Easter Food Baskets: 11:15am

Easter Egg Hunt OLV Athletic Field: 12:00pm

Easter Vigil Mass: 8:00pm

(Note: there is NO 5pm Vigil Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES – April 20

7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am



Altar Server Sign Up Sheets for Holy Week

can be found in the back of the Church. Rehearsal/instructions for each service will be held 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time. Easter Vigil rehearsal is Saturday, April 19 at 10:00am.



Easter Egg Hunt: Calling all kids ages 0-10 years! We would like to invite you to the OLV Annual Easter Egg Hunt. This will take place on

Holy Saturday, April 19, at noon in the field behind the church. Rain or shine! We will have eggs, treats, and a special appearance from the Easter Bunny! Please bring your own basket to collect the eggs.



Please Remember In Your Prayers

Kay Jury, who died recently.



Baptism: It is with great joy we welcome Karsyn Elizabeth Kempton, daughter of Erik & Andrea, to the OLV Parish Family.



Living Stations:

Parish-Wide Performances

(in the OLV School Gym)

Free-will offering.

Saturday, April 12, 7:30pm open to the public

Wednesday, April 16, 7:30pm open to the public



Lenten Penance Services:

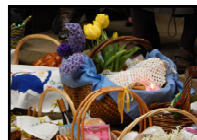
Sunday, April 13 6:00pm Our Lady of Victory, State College

Tuesday, April 15 6:30pm PSU

Catholic Community



Tenebrae Prayer Service will be held on Wednesday, April 16 at 6:30pm in the Church. The ancient service of Tenebrae "shadows" grew out of a combination of morning and night prayer with an additional focus on the Passion of the Lord. It's a service that seeps into your bones and leaves your entire being longing for Easter...longing for the Resurrection...longing for the victory of our Light. Please note: The prayer service will be over in time to attend the Living Stations which will follow in the school gym at 7:30pm.



Basket Blessing: Easter Food Baskets will be blessed on Saturday, April 19 at 11:15am in the Church Gathering Space.

Welcome Home! We are missing your loved ones and friends at Mass! During this final year of the Eucharist Revival, we are encouraged to reach out to those in our lives who have stopped practicing the Catholic faith or who have never been Catholic but might be open to it.

We have compiled some suggestions for doing this here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1oUlr_RZWYwZYMgwvi6lac_GPejL2u2l0/view?usp=drive_link

The link can be found on our website, www.ourladyofvictory.com. Please email us at WelcomeHome@ourladyofvictory.com to let us know if you are seeking to accompany someone in your life on a journey (back) toward the Catholic faith.



The Church Office will be

closed Holy Thursday, April 17 through Easter Sunday and will reopen on Monday, April 21 for normal business hours.



Our Lady of Victory Catholic School

Enrollment Now Open

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is a Middle States accredited school, providing quality education for children in preschool through 8th grade.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School provides opportunities for students to excel in academics, athletics, fine arts, and other extracurricular activities. The environment, rooted in love, faith, dignity, and integrity, enables students to reach their potential as leaders and learn the skills they need to succeed at OLVCS and beyond.

814-238-1592 | principal@olvcs.org | www.olvcatholicsschool.org/admission



A Special Thanks to
Joe and Sue Rogacs



OLV Preschool is Accepting Applications for the 2025/2026 School Year! Children at OLV Preschool are taught by highly qualified teachers in a play-based environment. They learn social/emotional skills, pre-reading skills, basic numeracy, participate in the arts and daily physical activities in addition to learning about their faith in fun and memorable ways. Before and after school care is available. There are a few spots still available in our classrooms for the 2025/2026 school year. Program, tuition rates and registration information can be found on the OLVCS website: <https://preschool.olvcatholicsschool.org/> Register for preschool today!

OLV Preschool: Open position for a certified teacher and aides for 2025/2026

OLV Preschool is currently looking for a teacher for our 3 yr., 5 day program as well as morning and afternoon aides. If hired to join our preschool staff, you receive a tuition discount for your children enrolled in OLVPS and OLVCS!

- Work in the mornings and have the rest of the day for personal responsibilities.
- If you only want to work in the afternoons, join our ESP (Extended School Program) staff.
- Start working as a substitute aide or teacher now and let us see the work you can do!
- We have an amazing staff and wonderful environment. It is a great place to work!

Please contact the Preschool Director; Anne Bord, for more information: preschool@olvcs.org or call 814-238-6616.



Turn your personal or business PA. Income Taxes into OLV Scholarships: WE NEED YOUR HELP: Many families and their children need tuition assistance to attend Our Lady of Victory Catholic Preschool thru Middle School. *Individuals/households* with an annual income of \$115,000 or PA personal income tax liability of \$3,500+ annually qualify to participate in the **Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program**. *Businesses* that qualify to get their taxes back are C-Corporations and owners of Subchapter S-Corporations, LLCs, LPs, LLPs and Partnerships. If you are in the position to help by directing your PA Income tax through the Educational Improvement Tax Credit EITC program to OLV, contact Chris Kirkpatrick at chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com or 814-237-7832.



Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy High School is accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year. To schedule a tour and find out more about the affordability of tuition, please email Principal Anna Rupprecht at arupprecht@sjcademy.org. More info can be found at www.stjoeacad.org.



Saint Joseph's
Catholic Academy

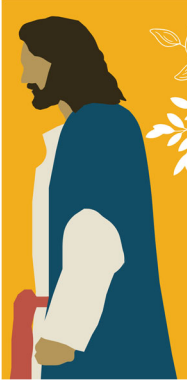
Are you being called to serve Catholic education?

Consider joining the Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy Board of Trustees!

For more information, or to submit your application, please forward a letter of intent and a current CV/resume to SJCA Principal Anna Rupprecht at: arupprecht@sjcademy.org.

Applications accepted until May 31, 2025.

www.stjoeacad.org



Religious Education News

Classes run each Sunday for students in grades from K-10, 10:30am - 11:20am in the school auditorium (Kindergarten runs in the Activities Center basement). More information can be found on the OLV Religious Education website's home page at <https://re.ourladyofvictory.com/home>.

Upcoming Dates to Note:

Last CCD class for K-10 is today, April 13. If you are doing CCD via the homeschooling option, please submit any remaining completed lessons to the DRE email: directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com and return any textbook to the church office (activity books can be kept). You can still complete any missing assignments between now and the end of the regular school year. Textbooks/workbooks for Grades 1-5 can be kept.

First Holy Communion will be held on Saturday, May 3 at 10am. Students should arrive in the Activities Center by 9:15am. Rehearsal will be held Friday, May 2, at 6:00pm in the Church. A reception for all First Holy Communicants and their families will be held immediately after First Holy Communion Mass in the Activities Center, hosted by the Catholic Daughters.

Confirmation for any current 9th, 10th, or 11th graders will be held on Monday, June 2 at 6:00pm. Confirmation rehearsal will be Wednesday, May 28 at 6:30pm. A group photo will be taken that night. Confirmandi should make sure they have submitted their Confirmation name and sponsor name to their catechists or the DRE (directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com).

Mark your calendars: VBS for elementary age students will be held the week of July 2. Registration is first come, first served via the link on the Religious Education website. This link was also sent out via Flock-note. **HELP NEEDED:** Several adults, 18+ (with diocesan clearances) are needed to help run the different stations at VBS, along with any students 13+ interested in assisting our adult leaders. High school students need to complete the paperwork for teen volunteers prior to helping. Contact the DRE at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com if you are interested or with questions about VBS.

Please consider becoming a catechist, catechist aide, or guest catechist for the 2025-2026 school year. We need people willing to share their faith with our CCD students on Sunday mornings. Course outlines and materials will be provided to guide you. You must have diocesan clearances to work with the students. Contact the DRE at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com if you are interested.



Middle School and High School Youth groups: No Youth Group on Holy Thursday.

For any questions, please contact:

Savannah Anez - Middle School Youth Group leader -
middleschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com

Francis Baggett - High School Youth Group leader -
highschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com



Gospel Meditation: April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday Luke 19:28-40

"As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road." (Luke 19:36)

Consider how useless it is to spread your clothes on the ground for a donkey to walk on. The clothes get smeared with hooves, and who knows the grimy places where they've been? The animal may leave some unsavory presents on them. They may get stolen by a thief looking to make a buck. The thorns, thistles, rocks and muck of the road will leave stains. The clothes may never be useful again, and you'll probably walk home shivering without your normal covering. Yet this is precisely the gesture the people employ to welcome Jesus and his donkey. Why does this detail matter? Wastefulness is an essential part of celebration. Consider the unnecessary extravagance of Christmas decorations, confetti and ticker tape parades, baseball players spraying each other with bottles of champagne after a victory, birthday gifts for kids and so on. This wastefulness signals celebration and therefore participation in higher identities (as believers, winners, and parents, to mention the above examples). That's what the wasted cloaks are all about. Those who donate their cloaks participate in Christ's kingship in Jerusalem — and we savor it two thousand years later.

The lesson? Learn how to "waste" money, time, clothes, and food on Christ. We do this at Mass, but in so many other ways, too, like serving the poor, going on retreats, and doing prayerful study. When we practice this holy wastefulness, Jesus will ride into our lives and we'll be more deeply members of his kingdom. - Father John Muir



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Each hour you spend with Jesus will deepen His Divine Peace in your heart.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on **Tuesdays**, 8:30am (and ends with Reposition at 4pm) and **Thursdays**, following the 8:00am and ends with Reposition at 8:00pm. Please consider spending time with Him. If you cannot commit to every week at a specified time, please consider volunteering to be a substitute for Adorers who cannot attend during their scheduled time. Morning adorers are needed! Please call or email the church office at office@ourladyofvictory.com to be added to our adoration schedule as a committed or substitute adorer.



Would you like to learn more about our faith and Mary's role in it?

Women of Grace may be for you! We are eager to start our next 9-week foundational study and our next 6-week "Who is Mary?" study. Will you join us?

Reach out to Karen Kearney at 814-883-4588 or Kearneyt1@comcast.net for more information. Check the Women of Grace (WOG) website for more information, including online courses available to you and your teenage daughters. Interested in a book study you can do from your home? WOG has several each year. www.womenofgrace.com. "The hour... has come ... the hour in which women acquire in the world an influence, an effect and a power never hitherto achieved. That is why ... women impregnated with a spirit of the Gospel can do so much to aid humanity in not falling."

Paste the closing of the Second Vatican Council "To Women" (http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/paul_vi/speeches/1965/documents/hf_p-vi_spe_19651208_epilogo-concilio-donne_en.html) in your browser to read..

Women's Bible Study: Do you desire to grow in your faith while in a supportive community of other women? If so, come join the OLV Women's Bible Study Program! These Bible studies combine personal study with small group discussion. Two studies are being offered this year: (1) Opening Your Heart: which applies Biblical teaching to everyday life; (2) The Path of Love: which explores the Stations of the Cross. New participants are always welcome! Meetings will be held on Wednesday evenings (via zoom) and Friday mornings in the Activity Center of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church from mid-September through April. Childcare is provided for Friday morning participants. For more information, please email us at olvwpp1@gmail.com or call Jane Knappenberger at (925) 708-0126.



Children's Holy Hour, Tuesdays, 10:30am to 11:30am during Adoration. This gives the children of the parish the opportunity to come to adore our Lord. If you are looking for a very quiet hour of Adoration, it would be best to look to come another time.



Enjoy special programming from WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM during Holy Week & the Easter Octave!

Visit www.waob.org to view the complete schedule or to stream the live broadcast.

(Note: There may be extended periods of sacred silence on Holy Saturday.) Our evangelization effort is sustained by your faithful prayers and contributions. May God continue to bless our listeners and supporters, and most especially those in the local OCIA programs who will be received into the fullness of our Catholic faith at Easter!

Our 501(c)(3) organization is volunteer-run and your tax-deductible donation may be mailed to: Voice of Divine Mercy, PO Box 862, State College, PA 16804-0862.



Gabriel Project: The Gabriel Project is a Pro-Life movement offering parish-based pastoral care to women in a crisis pregnancy.

It is the goal of the Gabriel Project to help such women with all their practical needs, as well as offering them unconditional love in an apostolate of friendship throughout their pregnancy. Twelve new moms have been helped this year, including a set of twins born at 31 weeks.

There is a great need for baby hygiene products, as well as baby laundry products (ALL FREE detergent), newborn clothes (up to 6 months) and newborn items such as onesies (especially baby girls, sleepers, baby wipes, shampoo, etc., Due to liability, we cannot accept used toys, strollers, cribs, or baby formula. Thank you very much for your support for these families. For more info about the Gabriel Project, please call 814-867-5511. For monetary donations, please place them in the Sunday collection, or mail them to Betty Gummo, c/o Our Lady of Victory Church, 820 Westerly Parkway, State College, PA 16801. A check made out to "OLV/The Gabriel Project (a 501c3 non-profit) can be used as a tax deduction.

If you are in need of Gabriel Project services, please call 814-867-5511 or 1-800-910-0191.

Job Seekers: There are various openings available throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese. Log on to www.dioceseaj.org/careers to see the openings and to apply.

Crochet meets on the first and third Mondays of the month in the Activities Center Library at 6:30pm.



Father O'Hanlon Council #4678 State College Knights of Columbus

"Knights Notes" :

Calendar of Events: Please check www.kc4678.com

Council Meetings– 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:00pm.

OLV Activities Center - Fr. O'Hanlon Room

(basement) at 820 Westerly Parkway

Blood Donations: Tuesday, April 8, OLV Activities Center,.

Check: redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results? ZipSponsor=16801

Knights - Church Sign/Misprint Jokes: "The most important part of Christmas are the first six letters."

Want to be part of the brotherhood? Please ask a

Knight or send an email to info@kc4678.com.

COME AND SEE!

On the Web:

K of C webpage: www.kc4678.com

K of C Facebook: www.facebook.com/KCCouncil4678

Pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City December 8–13, 2025

Embark on a journey during the 2025 Jubilee Year with the Olivas family from OLV. This pilgrimage offers a profound opportunity for meditation, prayer, sacrifice, and spiritual growth. Participants will have the chance to obtain many plenary indulgences.

Cost: \$1,299 per person (land only)

For more details and to register, please visit <https://arealpilgrimage.wixsite.com/a-real-pilgrimage>

We pray that this pilgrimage will be a life-changing experience, deepening your faith and connection to Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Formed.org: In this Week Five video of the Restore Lent series, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, S.O.L.T. helps you discover the true meaning of forgiveness.

To sign up for Formed, go to [Formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup): enter our zip code (16801) and select Our Lady of Victory. Formed also has an app and is available on Apple TV and Roku.

Audio Recordings of the Sunday Gospel Reading and Homily can be sent to you, by way of TEXT messaging , for shut-ins or general home listening. Simply TEXT a name (first name or alias is sufficient) and a TEN DIGIT cell-phone number to (717) 504 1091 to be added to the list of recipients.

Hearing Difficulties: For those suffering a hearing loss, there are hearing assist devices available – simply check one out of the sacristy (rear of the Church), before Mass.



Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: Spring Features

- April Showers are here! Check out our large selection of raincoats.

- Graduation caps and gowns are now available!

- Check out our display of prom gowns, wedding dresses and men's suits!

- **Don't miss our Scrapbook Sellebration** with hundreds of stickers and embellishments, and dozens of patterned pages, page protectors, scrapbook covers—all at incredibly low prices.

The Thrift Store will be closed on Thursday (4/17) through Saturday (4/19), so our volunteers can celebrate Easter. We will reopen Monday (4/21) at 10 AM. As a community of Volunteers, please consider joining us. We have various tasks from donations to sorters to cashiers and training is provided. Stop by the Thrift Store or call 814-867-3131 for more information.



2025 Catholic Ministries Drive Week 3:

We have received \$114,920.00 towards our goal of \$173,000.00 with 227 families contributing. All monies received over our goal will be returned to OLV for OLV's needs. If you have not yet turned in your pledge envelope, mail it to OLV, place it in the collection basket or slide it through the mail slot by the Church office. Please make checks payable to Catholic Ministries Drive. If you gave directly to the Diocese, we will not receive those names until mid-April. This week's donors will be published in next week's bulletin.



2025 EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS - Donations in memory of loved ones can be made during this Lenten season by filling out the form below and dropping it in the mail slot or the collection basket.

Please print clearly.

Name: _____

Donation: _____

Address: _____

In Memory Of: _____