



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm,
7:30am 9:30am, 11:30am

Weekday Masses: 8/21-8/26

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

Confessions –see inside

Adoration of Blessed

Sacrament takes place after
8:00am Mass Tuesday until
4:00pm and Thursday until
8:00pm with Reposition.
Adoration will end on Thursday,
August 24 at 4:00pm.

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



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able to give to
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Maintenance,
Twin Parish
Mission, Debt
Reduction, Christmas &
Easter online.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH

820 WESTERLY PARKWAY, STATE COLLEGE, PA 16801

August 19 & 20, 2023
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Everyone had a great time at this year's Parish Picnic. Thank you to
Paul Fritze for taking the group photo.

Office Phone

814-237-7832

Church Website:

www.ourladyofvictory.com

Church E-mail:

office@ourladyofvictory.com

School

814-238-1592

Preschool

814-238-6616

School/Preschool Website

www.olvcatholicschool.org

Diocesan Website

www.ajdiocese.org

OLV Prayer Network

prayer@ourladyofvictory.com

Flocknote: Are you signed up for **Flocknote**? If not, you may be 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

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Secretaries' Office Hours: Mon.-Thu., 8:30-4pm, Fri., 8:30-Noon
(Please try to correspond by phone, email or regular mail)

Bulletin Notice

Material to be published in the following week's bulletin should be on Diane's desk no later than Monday, 4:00pm.

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,
Saturdays, 4:00-4:30pm and 6:00-6:30pm.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays and Thursdays following 8:00am Mass. Tuesdays with Reposition at 4:00pm and Thursdays with Reposition at 8:00pm (ends at 4pm on Aug. 24).



**Are You or Someone You Know
Interested in Becoming a Catholic?**

**Are You an Adult Catholic Seeking
Confirmation?**

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

Meetings start September 7. Please contact us at
the above email to let us know if you are interested.

August 13 Collection: Envelopes \$28,818.00;
Loose \$1,412.00; Online \$1,670.58; Maintenance
\$246.00; Twin Parish \$242.00; Candles \$180.00;
Gabriel Project \$70.00; Debt Reduction \$55.00;
SVDP \$105.00; Mission Co-op \$7,437.00. Total
\$40,235.58.

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.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Mon., August 21

**8:00am - † Violet & Henry Pisoni
by Steve & Deb McGregor**

Tues., August 22

**8:00am - Communion Service
Adoration ends at 4:00pm**

Wed., August 23

**8:00am - † Mary Regina Page by
Joanne & Maria**

Thurs., August 24

**8:00am - Communion Service
6:30pm - No Mass
No Confessions, Adoration ends at 4:00pm.**

Friday, August 25

8:00am - † John E. Flynn by wife, Iris

Sat., August 26

**9:00am - † Sebastian Gilhuber by
Mary Ellen O'Donnell
5:00pm - † Samuel Holubec by
Phyllis Holubec**

Sun., August 27

**7:30am - Ints. Mary Ann Coray by
Bob & Kathleen
9:30am - † Fred Fernsler by
The Fernsler Family
11:30am - † Kathleen Moser by
Bob & Rita Moser**

Baptisms: It is with great joy we welcome Noell
Elizabeth Pytel, daughter of Nicholas & Kellie,
Philip Joseph Hanna, son of Sean & Molly, and
Laken Marie Kocher, daughter of Evan & Faith,
to the OLV Parish Family.

Wedding: Congratulations to Andrea Lee
Snyder & Erik Karl Kempton, who were married
at OLV on August 11, 2023.

The Marian Gift Shop is closed in August. To
schedule an appointment for another time,
please call Lesa at 814-237-7832 and leave a
message.



Songs of Faith II Sunday August 27, 3:30pm in OLV Catholic Church
Free open to the public, and live streamed on Facebook Live

Mark L. Lusk, Professor of Trombone at Penn State for the last 37 years, will be presenting a very special and meaningful concert along with pianist, Kathy Gattuso Cinatl and guitarist/trombonist Paul Leskowitz. This ensemble will be joined by special guests; organist Freda Crummey, keyboardist Beth Smith, trombonist/bassist James Gates, and vocalists Mary Leskowitz and Kaitlyn Lusk. The program will feature beautiful and inspirational songs of Faith and Praise. The performance will feature music from across a wide musical span; from traditional hymns, to classic anthems, to contemporary songs.

The concert will be presented on Sunday, August 27, at 3:30pm at Our Lady Of Victory Catholic Church in State College, where Professor Lusk and his family have been members of the parish since 1986.

The concert will also be streamed on The Penn State Trombone Studio's Facebook Live. Stay tuned for link!

"Due to the success and genuine reaction to the first Songs of Faith concert last spring, we have decided to work to bookend each school year with these musical prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving." - Prof. Mark L. Lusk

First Friday Devotions: Friday, September 1 at 6:00pm. As part of OLV's celebration of Eucharistic Revival, we will have Holy Hours on the next nine First Fridays, starting Friday, September 1. The devotions will start with Exposition and Adoration at 6:00 p.m. At 6:30 we will then celebrate Evening Prayer (Vespers), a Litany of the Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction.

Annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration: Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2023 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, September 10 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, September 17 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00pm. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the Mass for anniversary couples and their families. Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Tuesday, August 29.

Our Parish Picnic was a Great Success! God provided magnificent weather the whole day and Our Blessed Lady smiled down on us. Over 250 parishioners of all ages enjoyed the picnic. We had great food, bingo (called by Ken Hart), games for all ages and fellowship. THANKS TO EVERYONE who came out with their delicious food and good cheer. Special thanks to Fr. George for leading us through another eventful year. Deacon Dave, Mary and Bob Hershey and Chris Kirkpatrick led the charge. Thanks to Deacon Dave, Mary Hershey, Pat Lutz, Nora Chyle and Dennis Marince for making the sloppy joes and pulled pork sandwiches. Thanks to all the Knight of Columbus and Catholic Daughters who volunteered to set up and work the kitchen and food lines. Thanks to Mark Thorwart and Eric Weidenhof for the Bocce Games and Meredith Freeman and her volunteers who ran the outdoor games. Thanks to Thomas, Kelena and Joseph Rokita for setting up the games and outside seating. Bocce winners were Team Caio (Mary Jo & Allen Smith) who defeated Team Glasses (Chris Laskowski & Maddie Dreibelbis). Thanks to Jim Hoy and Patti Houtz for the use of the OLV School Facilities. THANKS TO EVERYONE who helped with the tear down and clean up. SAVE THE DATE FOR THE PARISH BAZAAR, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023 in the School Gym. Chris Kirkpatrick, Chair.



Online Scheduling Available for August & September!

Thursday, August 24 thru Saturday, August 26

Tuesday, September 12 thru Saturday, September 16

Thursday, September 28 thru Saturday, September 30 (Saturday, September 30 is the last date!)

To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **pa1008** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 5 or more in your family, please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time. No sitting fee. **You will get a free 8 by 10 and OLV Church Directory.**



OLV Catholic School

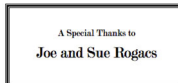


Give Your Child A Complete Education

(Pre-K through Middle School) offers:

- Academic Excellence • Self-Discipline • Passion for Charity • Catholic Values • Leadership

New Student Enrollment is Now Open. Call 814-238-1592 to schedule a tour. Apply online at www.olvcatholicsschool.org.



OLV Preschool: Limited spots available in all 3, 4, and PreK Programs. Please visit our website <https://www.olvcatholicsschool.org/domain/173> for program and registration information.

Don't wait! The first day of school is August 29th! Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is accepting applications for new students in grades K-8. Call today to schedule a tour or begin the application process at www.olvcatholicsschool.org. We look forward to hearing from you.

Looking for a flexible job working with children? Come be an ASAP aide at OLVCS. ASAP aides supervise the children enrolled in the after school program at OLVCS, 2:30- 5:30 each day that school is in session. Aides can work 1-5 days per week, as their schedule permits. \$10.30 per hour. Great job for anyone who loves kids or needs experience at the elementary school level. For more information and to apply, send an email of interest to Mrs. Lauren Waltz at waltzl@olvcs.org.



Saint Joseph's
CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Come to Saint Joe's - Attention all 8th grade students and families! Admissions for 2023-2024 are now open for Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy. To schedule a tour, Meet and Greet with students and faculty, find out more about the affordability of tuition, and to see Saint Joe's "in action," please email Principal Anna Rupprecht at arupprecht@sjcacademy.org.

Messy Family University Volunteers Needed! - OLV Parish and Saint Joe's team up to bring the community an opportunity for parents and couples to join in a two-day retreat with Mike and Alicia Hernon, Catholic ministers and creators of the renowned "Messy Family Podcast" on November 3 (6:30-8:30PM) & 4 (9am-4pm) at St. Joseph's Catholic Academy for Messy Family University, "This mini-course will introduce the average Catholic parent in the pew to the importance of their role as a parent--not only in the life of their child (ren) but also in the life of the Church. During these four sessions, we will include some theology and catechetics, but the course will mainly focus on giving parents the practical tools they need to build Christian maturity within their children and ultimately pass on the faith to them. This course is designed to open parents up to God's vision for marriage and family and teach them the habits that they need to transform their family life.." Registration information will be released soon. Volunteers are needed to assist with marketing, coordinating childcare and meals, and general event prep - all interested are invited to contact Mrs. Anna Rupprecht (SJCA) at arupprecht@sjcacademy.org.

Sponsor of the Week: Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **CSI Custom Stone Interiors, Inc.**, 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 at (412) 855-8013 or via e-mail to mmcaleer@4lpi.com.

Formed.org: Watch: Pope Saint Pius X (feast day Aug. 21). Learn bout his work to restore all things in Christ. To sign up to use Formed, go to Formed.org/signup: enter our zip code (16801) and select Our Lady of Victory. Formed also has an app and is also available on Apple TV and Roku.

Stay Tuned Into WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM! Although our schedules are about to change with the arrival of fall, you can still catch our programming by radio or streaming. When traveling outside our broadcasting area, you can "listen live" via the station link [@www.waob.org](http://www.waob.org). On the production side, we have four recording slots available each month. Our equipment is portable and our devotions are scripted, so we just need your prayerful voices! If your family or group would like to record a prayer in September, contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or voiceofdivinemeracy@gmail.com. Remember, just \$100/day keeps our Catholic voice on the air. 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. We receive no direct funding from the local parishes or diocese, so your faithful support is vital to our evangelization effort.

Religious Education News (CCD)

CCD Begins September 10! Register your children today! All registrations should be completed online on the Our Lady of Victory Religious Education Website: <https://re.ourladyofvictory.com/home>. **Register your child BEFORE Sept. 3rd for FREE! A fee of \$50/child will be collected from those who register after Sept. 3rd.** This money will help cover the cost of obtaining materials at the last minute for late registrants. **All students need to register, whether CCD, homeschooled or SJCA.**

11th Grade Confirmation Class begins on Sunday, September 10. We will meet in the Church at 1:15pm. It is required that ALL 11th Graders (including St. Joseph Catholic Academy and homeschooled) and at least one parent attend this first session.

All Confirmation Track students in grades 9, 10 & 11 must register for CCD regardless of where they receive their religious instruction: public, private or homeschool. Students who attend St. Joseph's Catholic Academy do not attend regular Sunday classes, but are welcome to attend if they wish. They still need to register. The program needs to track ongoing requirements for ALL students. Registering them allows us to do that. You can view these requirements on the religious education website listed above under the HS Religious Education/Confirmation section.

CCD Teachers and Aides Needed: We are in need of **teachers** for the following **grades 4 & 8**. There are also openings for **teacher aides** for our **primary age student classes**. **HS Juniors and Seniors can earn community service hours serving as a teacher aide.** If you cannot commit to helping every week, perhaps you can volunteer as a **guest teacher** from time to time when there is a need. If you are interested in serving as a CCD teacher, guest teacher, or classroom aide for the 2023/2024 school year, please email Anne Bord: directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com.



Youth Groups Resume! We now will meet on TUESDAYS from 7:00pm to 8:00pm in the Activities Center.

Middle School Youth Group (Gr. 6-8) meets weekly in the Activities Center Library from 7:00 to 8:00pm on Tuesdays. They will begin on August 29. Contact Cecilia at middleschoolyg@gmail.com with any questions.

High School Youth Group (Gr. 9-12) meets weekly from 7:00pm to 8:00pm, in the basement (Youth Room) of the Activities Center. They will begin on August 22. Young people are encouraged to attend the 6:30 PM Mass beforehand if they can. Join us for fun and fellowship! Contact Nick at highschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com with any questions.



St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: August is BOGO month! Come check out our **BOGO Sale on Fabric**—buy one piece, get a second of equal or lesser value, for FREE. The Fabric Sale runs through August, or until we run out of supplies. Check out our crafts area, which, in addition to fabric, has yarn, DIY jewelry beads and supplies, books on all kinds of needlework and crafts, and multiple sewing and crafting supplies. Also, our special **BOGO Sale on Books and Media** is now in progress. Stop by and see these and other bargains at our store located at 1300 Benner Pike, open Monday-Saturday, 10:00AM-4:00PM. Come join our SVdP family of volunteers, you will enjoy our camaraderie while working to help those in need in our community. If you can give an hour or two any time during the week, please visit the Thrift Store at 1300 Benner Pike and speak to the Day Manager or leave a message at 814-867-3131.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: July 2023 Report of Assistance “We are here on this earth to accomplish the will of Providence.” Frederic Ozanam, founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. In July, the Our Lady of Victory Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul received 113 requests and directly assisted 193 individuals, including 115 adults and 78 children. We helped 18 households secure or maintain housing and provided utility assistance for 28 others. We provided transportation assistance for 14 others and helped with the personal/physical needs for 32 others. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul assists Centre County residents with basic needs on a case-by-case basis. Your support allows us to accomplish the work that God has given us to do. New Volunteers and Vincentians are always welcome. Call (814) 867-3131 and ask to speak to a Day Manager or Vincentian for more information.

Homeschool Families: Homeschooling? Interested in meeting with other families? Have questions about homeschooling? Contact Kathy Roe at kroe28@gmail.com to get connected with other families.



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**, 8:30am and ends with Reposition at 8:00pm (4:00pm on August 24. (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. Please call or email the church office at office@ourladyofvictory.com to be added to our adoration schedule as a committed or substitute adorer.



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.

A Women's Day of Reflection - St. Benedict Parish, Johnstown will be hosting Inspirational Speaker, Ximena DeBroeck, STL, Ph.D for A Women's Day of Reflection, "Called and Anointed for Mission" This one day event will be held from 8:30am to 4:00pm on Saturday, September 30.

The day will start off with a walk with the Women of the Old and New Testament as you discover the meaning of being called. The day will include Mass, Adoration, opportunities for confession and fellowship and the opportunity to strengthen the tether between your heart and the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

This event is Free and open to all, A Lunch and Refreshments will be served so an RSVP is required. A love offering will be taken. For more information contact St. Benedict Rectory at (814) 266-9178 or Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or email at michael.russo@atlanticbb.net.



Our Lady of Victory wants to update our parishioner contact information. We are asking all parishioners to please send us your current contact information: land or cell phone number and email and home address. We realized we do not have complete information for many of our parishioners. Please email the information to Chris Kirkpatrick at chris@ourladyofvictory.com. We will not share your information.

If you wish to register at OLV as a new parishioner, you may come to the office during our hours of 8 to noon and 1 to 4pm and fill out a registration form, or go online to our website at www.ourladyofvictory.com and go to Welcome to OLV, and parish form, and there you will find a census/registration form to fill out and email to us.



Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Women's Conference:

Spiritual nourishment, uplifting messages, fun and are in store at the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown **STRENGTH IN CHRIST Women's Conference** on Saturday, September 16 at Mount Aloysius College in Cresson. Internationally recognized speakers Kitty Cleveland and Mary Castner will be the keynote presenters.

The conference will include Mass with Bishop Mark, Confessions, and lunch. The conference runs from 9:00am to 4:00pm with check-in beginning at 7:30am. Ladies are invited to stay and pray the Rosary from 4:00-5:00pm. The cost is \$20 for adults; \$10 for high school and college students. Please register by **Sept. 1** online at dioceseaj.org, use the QR code or pick up a hard copy registration form in the back of the Church.



"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you ..." ~ Jeremiah 1:5



Help Pregnant Women!

Thousands of pregnant women in Pennsylvania could lose vital services, if the Governor goes forward with his plan to wipe out the Pregnancy & Parenting Support Services program, which is administered by Real Alternatives. Please act now to prevent this from happening!

- Call the Governor's office at 717-787-2500 and let him know you stand with pregnant women and want Real Alternatives' contract to be renewed.
- Go to www.paprolife.org to send an immediate message to your state Representative and state Senator respectfully asking them to ensure that Real Alternatives' contract is preserved.
- Share our posts on Real Alternatives on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn.
- Pray that the Governor's decision will be reversed and pregnant women will receive the help they need.

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4800 Jonestown Road, Ste. 102, Harrisburg, PA 17109
www.paprolife.org

Catholic CDs: Have you checked out the CD rack in the back of the Church?



Father O'Hanlon Council #4678

State College Knights of Columbus

"Knights Notes" :

Please check www.kc4678.com for Calendar of Events.
Council Meetings - 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:30pm.

OLV Activities Center - Fr. O'Hanlon Room (basement)
at 820 Westerly Parkway

Knights Football Concessions - **Service Hours** - Volunteer
with the Knights:

Each fall there is a good way to earn at least 6 **service hours** in one day.

Help the Knights run the concession stand which brings money back into the community.

Volunteers must be 16 years old at the time of service, bring a parent (or don't) with you!

Mark your calendars - PSU Home Football Games:

Sep 2, 9, 23, Oct 14, 28, Nov 11, 18

Blood Donations: Check redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results? Zip Sponsor=16801

Knights Facts:

You have probably thought about becoming a Knight. We are part of an organization that does great things. Knights have physically and financially (over \$6M) contributed to the refugee effort in Ukraine.

Ask a Knight of Columbus or send an email of inquiry to info@kc4678.com.

We simply want Catholic Men who want to be a part of brotherhood!

On the Web:

K of C webpage: www.kc4678.com

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



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. There is a need of newborn clothes (up to 6 months) and newborn items such as onesies, 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 information 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.

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.

Young Women of Grace: Our girls need to know the gift of their feminine identity. . . to hear truth in a culture that promotes falsehoods about what it means to be a woman. The beautiful *Young Women of Grace: Embrace Your Femininity* study program was created for girls age 13 and older. It teaches girls what it means to be a daughter of God, how to discern purpose and mission in the world, and to find true fulfillment. The Young Women of Grace® Study Program is an adaptation of the Women of Grace® Study Program and presents vital Catholic teaching in a colorful, 289-page, magazine-style workbook that is packed with fun facts, testimonials, and stories of the Saints and other Catholic role models.

If you would like to know more about this program please contact Karen Kearney at kearneyt1@comcast.net or 814-883-4588. We are trying to get a group started and are seeking those interested.

Women of Grace® Study Program – W.O.G. is going to be meeting again this fall. We would love to have you join us and go deeper into your Catholic Faith and discover what it is like to be a daughter of our Most High God. You will learn of the wounds of the heart and how to heal them, dive into prayer, saints to lead you and much more. Not to mention how wonderful it is to share your faith with other women walking on this journey. If you want to know more or have questions please contact Karen Kearney at kearneyt1@comcast.net or 814-883-4588

Divorced But NOT ALONE: Please join us for a social on Sunday, August 27, 2023, at 6:00pm at Good Shepherd, 867 Grays Woods Blvd, Port Matilda, in the Parish Hall if you are in the process of a divorce, recently divorced or divorced for years. We invite those interested or curious to come and meet others who understand. You are not alone. The gospel offers hope for life — whether things are going well, or everything is falling apart. In each circumstance, the Church is called to love, care for, and support each other. As the body of the church, we are hoping to build a community of support. We are opening this invitation up to all Good Shepherd parishioners, everyone in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, as well as to our local community. The future direction of this group will be decided by those who come. Asking for help is one of the bravest things you can do. We hope to see you!

The Rosary is prayed Monday through Thursday at 8:30am, Friday at 7:25am and Saturday, before the 9:00am Mass.