



OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH

820 WESTERLY PARKWAY, STATE COLLEGE, PA 16801

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

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

Weekday Masses:

Dec. 5 - Dec. 9

Mon.: 8:00am Mass

Tues.: 8:00am Mass

Wed: 8:00am Comm. Svc.
Immaculate Conception

Thur.: 8:00am Mass

10:00am Mass

6:30pm Mass

Fri.: 8:00am Mass

9:00am No Mass

Saturday: 9:00am Mass

Confessions -see inside

Adoration of Blessed

Sacrament takes place

after 8:00am Mass

Tuesdays until 4:00pm

and Thursdays until 8:00pm
with Reposition.

The Church is open
Monday through 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.

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to 73256.

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

You are now able to give
to School, Maintenance
and Twin Parish Mission
online.

December 3 & 4, 2022

The Second Sunday of Advent



Thursday, December 8 is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses are Thursday, December 8 at 8:00am, 10:00am (School Mass) and 6:30pm.

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? This is the quickest and most effective way to get up-to-date OLV news to you. To sign up, go to <https://ourladyofvictory10.flocknote.com/OLVParishioner>.

Parish Staff - (814) 237-7832

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Principal, Jim Hoy - (814) 238-1592
Pre-School Administrator, Jennifer Rogan - (814) 238-6616

Secretaries' Office Hours: Mon. - Fri., 8:30-Noon, 1-4pm
(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 and Saturdays at 4:00pm and 6:00pm.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays and Thursdays following 8:00am Mass. Tuesdays with Reposition at 4:00pm and Thursdays with Reposition at 8:00pm.

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 are held Thursdays at 7:00pm in the OLV Activities Center.

Baptisms- It is with great joy we welcome Callen Joseph Heane, son of Kyle & Justine, Yasmine Annette Cooperider, daughter of Corey & Samia, Lucia Anne Breech, daughter of Kyle & Sarah Breech, Edie Harper Valchar, daughter of Nathan & Laura, and Joshua Lutz Kurzweg, son of Peter & Jennifer, to the OLV Parish Family.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Mon., Dec. 5 Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26

8:00am - † Bernice & Carmen Terrizzi by The Family

Tues., Dec. 6 Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14

8:00am - † Shirley Valente by Tom & Karen Hauser & Family

Adoration ends at 4:00pm.

Wed., Dec. 7 Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30

8:00am - Communion Service

Thurs., Dec. 8 *Immaculate Conception* (Holy Day of Obligation): Gn 3:9-15,20/Eph 1:3-6,11-12

8:00am - Ints. Society of SVdP

10:00am - † Sharon Pichler by The Family

6:30pm - † Jim Bartolomea by Julie Bartolomea

Confessions 5:30pm. Adoration ends at 8:00pm.

Friday, Dec. 9 Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19

8:00am - † James VanHorn by Tom & Rosemary Weber

9:00am - No School Mass

Sat., Dec. 10 Sir 48:1-49-11/Mt 17:9-13

9:00am - † Charles & Theresa Pagano by Marie Bonner

5:00pm - † Thomas York by Iris Flynn

Sun., Dec. 11 Is 35:1-6a,10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

7:30am - † Carmen DeMatteo by Mark & Cathy Savereno

9:30am - † Kelly Irvin by Joe & Sue Rogacs

11:30am - Ints. Kate Murphy - Thanksgiving for her recovery by The Family

Nov. 20 Collection: Envelope \$14,128.00; Loose \$1,707.00; Online \$2,148.58; School \$715.00; Maintenance \$40.00; Twin Parish Mission \$57.00; Candles \$360.00; Donuts \$61.00; Debt Reduction \$70.00; SVdP \$305.00; All Saints \$20.00; Catholic Charities \$574.00; Total \$20,185.58.

Nov. 27 Collection: Envelope \$20,574.00; Loose \$1,779.00; Online \$2,270.58; School \$146.00; Twin Parish Mission \$33.00; Candles \$308.00; Debt Reduction \$126.00; SVdP \$830.00; Gabriel Project \$2,050.00; Catholic Charities \$353.00; Total \$28,469.58.

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.

Important: New Confession Time for Advent

Confessions on Saturday will be at 4PM and 6PM

This will replace 9:30 Saturday Confessions

In order to accommodate higher numbers, we will offer the two times on Saturday to replace the one in the morning.

Please note: This does not affect the Saturday 9AM Mass.

Thursday night confessions are still at 5:30 PM.



Parish Giving Tree: The Parish Giving Tree is back this Christmas season with 600 gift requests. We pray that the generous spirit of Our Lady of Victory parishioners will again support the local community. The use of gift cards was so appreciated last year for the ability of recipients to obtain special items as well as necessities, that you will find many of our tree requests this year are for gift cards. However, there are also many requests for specific items.

If you decide to participate, take an ornament (or 2) off of the tree and purchase the gift request. If you purchase a gift card, please put the gift card in an envelope, in a Christmas card or one of the sleeves provided by the various stores. Be sure to firmly attach the ornament with the request on the gift card envelope or on the wrapped gift. You can never use too much tape! The ornament is used to help the gift find its way to the recipient.

There will be 6 plastic bins with the identifying ornament tags under the tree next weekend, December 10/11, specifically for gift cards. Please place your gift card in the bin that shows a tag shape that matches your ornament. Other wrapped gifts that are not gift cards do not need to be put in a bin, but just placed under the tree. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANY GIFT CARDS UNDER THE TREE ON A WEEKDAY** or on a weekend if the bins are not under the tree. Just drop the gift cards at the office or slide them down the mail slot if the office is not open. Wrapped gifts can be left under the tree before or after the weekend Masses only. During the week, please leave your wrapped gift in the church office during regular office hours. We hope to deliver the gifts to the various agencies the week after December 11.

Through your generosity this Christmas season, we hope to help Centre House Homeless Shelter, Strawberry Fields, The Arc of Centre County, Out of the Cold Homeless Shelter, residents of Hearthside and other families who could use our support. May God bless you for your kindness. If you have any questions, contact Mary Hershey, 814-441-2511 or Pam Scott, 814-360-3214.

Women's Advent Retreat:

When: Saturday, December 10, from 9:30am - 12:30pm

Where: The OLV Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall

This Advent, join the women of the parish for a retreat focusing on Prepare the Way: Body, Mind & Soul. The retreat will begin after the 9am Mass on Saturday, with breakfast provided, and follow with talks by Krista Hanrahan, a certified Catholic Life Coach for women from Steubenville, OH. Time for Adoration will be built in. The event will conclude with parishioner Meredith Yonushonis leading a contemplative rosary workout (suitable for all fitness levels).

Cost is \$20 and you can RSVP or contact Meredith at meredith.yonushonis@gmail.com.



Living Nativity: Signups are open to ALL Parish Children for Living Nativity Roles! This will be held at the Children's Christmas Eve Mass on Dec. 24th @ 6:30pm.

Living Nativity Cast

Joseph: 3rd Grade & Older

Shepherds: K-5th Grade

Mary: 3rd Grade & Older

Sheep: K-5th Grade

Angels: 3rd Grade & Older

Donkeys: 3rd Grade & Older

The Three Kings (Gift Bearers): 2nd Grade & Older
Mass Parts: (6th Grade and Older)

Roles that are in high demand will be determined through a random drawing. If your child is interested in participating in this Mass, please email Anne Bord; directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com. Parent Volunteers who have clearances are needed.

The OLV Professional Network will have an Advent social meeting with food and drinks on December 15 from 7:00-8:00pm, following the 6:30pm Mass. All are welcome. At our following meeting on January 5, will have a special guest, Monsignor Michael Becker from Altoona, who will speak about the Strengths Finder book and assessment.

New Altar Servers - If you are in grade 3 and above and are interested in becoming an altar server, there will be training sessions soon. We will announce the dates and times when they are scheduled. Forms for new servers can be found in the Gathering Space of the Church.



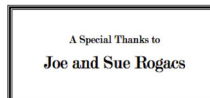
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OLV Preschool: Check out our wonderful OLVCS Preschool Program at www.olvcatholicschool.org/preschool or contact Mrs. Jennifer Rogan, OLVCS Preschool Administrator, at preschool@olvcs.org.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is currently seeking **K-8 Substitute Teachers**. Please send letters of interest to Jim Hoy: hoyj@olvcs.org.

Kitchen Helper Wanted: Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is currently seeking candidates for kitchen helper. Duties include prep for lunch, batch cooking during lunch service, work in the dish room, all work areas clean and sanitized, provide customer service in a friendly and helpful manner, assist in other areas as needed. Serv Safe certification is a plus. Hours: 9:30 a.m - 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday when school is in session. Please contact Chris Meckley at meckleyc@olvcs.org, if interested.

OLVCS Christmas Concert will be held on Wednesday, December 7 at 6:30pm in the Church. Come join us for songs and instrumental performances for the Christmas season. This is a great event for the whole family!



It's easy to earn cash for OLVCS by shopping at Weis. Next time you are getting groceries at Weis, just have the cashier scan your Weis card AND this code: That's it! Now a percentage of your purchase price will go to OLVCS! Please tell others--friends, neighbors, and relatives--to do the same...and THANK YOU!

Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy

Come Be Part of the Saint Joseph's Experience. Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy is accepting applications at all grade levels. Saint Joseph's offers a strong, balanced college preparatory academic curriculum firmly founded in the teaching of Jesus Christ. To learn more or apply go to www.stjoeacad.org or call 814-808-6118 to arrange for a tour. Financial assistance is available for those who qualify.

SJCA Board of Trustees - If you have a passion for Catholic education and are called to serve Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy, consider applying to be a member of the Board of Trustees. Interested parties are encouraged to apply by sending a resume and letter of intent to Principal Anna Rupprecht, arupprecht@sjcacademy.org.

Saint Joseph's Gas Raffle Fundraiser - Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy launches its annual Gas Raffle Fundraiser, an incredible opportunity to support Student Activities such as Saint Joe's athletics, the spring musical, educational trips, and beyond! Grand prize is a \$2,000 Sheetz gas gift card, drawn on December 9th. Please consider supporting Saint Joe's (and checking off some gifts from your holiday shopping list); tickets are on sale at the school office and from Saint Joe's students in the vestibule after most Masses from now until Dec 9.

Formed for Advent Week Two: Watch "**Adore**". Join Fr. John Burns as he journeys deeper into the Advent theme of preparation.

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.

Religious Education News (CCD)

11th Grade Confirmation Class:

Next Class:

- Sunday, December 4 at 1:15pm in the back of the Church. This is a **REQUIRED** class for CCD, SJCA and homeschoolers.
- Sunday, December 11 at 1:15pm in the back of the Church. This is a regularly scheduled CCD class. As always, SJCA and Homeschoolers are welcome to attend.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is in need of items made by woodworkers & crafty people: empty tomb, Last Supper Dioramas, figurines and more! Please contact Meredith Yonushonis at meredith.yonushonis@gmail.com or Meredith Freeman at mere.semion@gmail.com if you are able to help.

2022 Youth Group

Middle School Youth Group (Gr. 6-8) meets weekly in the Activities Center Library from 7:00 to 8:00pm on Thursdays.

High School Youth Group (Gr. 9-12) meets weekly from 7:00pm to 8:00pm, in the basement (Youth Room) of the Activities Center. Young people are encouraged to attend the 6:30 PM Mass beforehand if they can. Join us for fun and fellowship! If you are interested in helping as an adult volunteer, email Nick Astle at NAstle@sjacademy.org.



Purified: Save the date! Jason Evert is Coming! Sunday, February 5, 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the OLV Church. Purified brings parents and teens (13+) together to discover God's plan for love and opens up an opportunity for them to continue the discussion about this important topic at home, in a healthy and easy way with resources that work. The event includes a new version of Jason's renowned talk Love or Lust, where he mixes humor with down-to-earth practicality that removes any awkwardness, making the difficult conversations about love much easier. Your family will leave with an understanding of the good news of chastity, a healthy sense of self-worth, and the ability, if needed, to start again. The night includes Eucharistic Adoration with praise and worship. This format transforms a simple talk into a mini-retreat for the family,

allowing them to encounter the source of purity, healing, and renewal, Jesus Christ. More information is coming soon!



Tune into WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM during this Advent! The WAOB family of stations offers special programming and homilies by a number of our nation's bishops during this time of preparation. This Advent, embrace the entire liturgical season! 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.

Your donations are especially appreciated in December since several of our 2023 expenses are now due. God bless you for prayerfully considering this special request to support our spiritual work of mercy. Lastly, we ask that you keep the homebound, hospitalized, and imprisoned members of our listening audience in your prayers during the Advent season.



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. 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.



C. D. A. Craft and Bake Sale will take place on Sunday, Dec. 4, 9:00am to 2:00pm in the OLV Activities Center Library.

Area Penance Services:

Sunday, Dec. 4, 4:00pm St. John's, Bellefonte
Monday, Dec. 5, 6:30pm Penn State University,
Pasquerilla Center
Tuesday, Dec. 6, 7:00pm Good Shepherd, Port
Matilda
Mon., Dec. 19, 6:00pm Our Lady of Victory (last
chance for confessions at OLV)
Wednesday, Dec. 21, 7:00pm, Queen of
Archangels, Clarence
Thursday, Dec. 22, 7:00pm, SS. Peter & Paul,
Philipsburg

WE NEED YOUR HELP: Many families and their children need tuition assistance to attend Our Lady of Victory Catholic Preschool thru Middle School.

All individuals/households with an annual income of \$115,000 or PA personal income tax liability of \$3,500+ annually qualify to participate in the EITC Tax Credit Program.

If you are in the position to help by directing your Pa Income tax through the **Educational Improvement Tax Credit EITC program** to OLV through the Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund, please contact Chris Kirkpatrick at chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com or 814-237-7832 ext. 404. The Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund has over one million dollars to disburse for next year. Tax credits are available on a first-come, first served basis.

Businesses that qualify to get their taxes back are C-Corporations and owners of Subchapter S-Corporations, LLCs, LPs, LLPs and Partnerships. Please contact Chris today.



Time to Sing in the Season! -

OLV Sanctuary Choir is preparing for the coming of the Christ child! We are rehearsing Advent and Christmas music! It may be time to examine your schedule and make some time. Remember that "he who sings, prays twice". Take the time to pray twice...and have fun doing it! Sanctuary Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Just show up and join us! If you have any questions, contact Music Director Joe Malafarina at the OLV Office 814-237-7832, x 423 or email joem@ourladyofvictory.com.

Marian Gift Shop is open Sundays from 10:00am to noon. To schedule an appointment for another time, please call Lesa at 814-237-7832 and leave a message.



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. For more information about the Gabriel Project, please call 814-867-5511. If you can help the Gabriel Project, please put your monetary donations 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 "The Gabriel Project/OLV" (a 501c3 non-profit) can be used as a tax deduction.

Recently, a few baby girls were born, so the Gabriel Project is in need of newborn clothing, especially girls items. Due to liability, we cannot accept used toys, strollers, cribs or car seats. And we cannot accept donations of baby formula. Thank you very much for your support for these families, especially with prayer.



Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store:

Hunters Apparel now available! Also, check out our assortment of Winter coats! Great gift ideas in December including: **All framed artwork 50% off**, Leather, suede, and fur apparel; lots of Christmas apparel and holiday décor; **big assortment of Christmas sweaters**; snow and ski apparel; winter boots and accessories, plus much more! If you can give an hour or two to help the poor in our community, **come join the St. Vincent de Paul Family of Volunteers**. Our Thrift Store provides funds that allows the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to assist more than 100 adults and children in Centre County every month. You can volunteer with receiving, sorting, and selling items donated for our Store. The tasks involved are not hard, and it's a pleasure to work with others who also want to help those in need - our Store is entirely staffed by volunteers! Potential volunteers should stop by the Thrift Store on 1300 Benner Pike (open Monday-Saturday, 10AM-4PM) for a tour of our facility and a chance to discuss how you can help with our mission. You may also call 814-867-3131 and leave a message, we'll call back within 24 hours.

New Lector Workbooks are available in the Sacristy. Please sign your name when you take one.

Toys for Tots bins can be found in the Gathering Space of the Church. Please donate a new, unwrapped toy by December 9.

"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) in
820 Westerly Parkway

Knights Scholarship & Grant Information:

Scholarships are open for application to H.S. Seniors

Visit the Knight's web page for the application form:

<https://www.kc4678.com/scholarships>

Visit the Knight's Grants page for the application form:

<https://kofcpennsylvania.org/catholic-school-grant>

Due December 15, 2022

For questions about the process, please contact Jason

Foytack at jasonfoytack@gmail.com

Blood Donations:

Check Red Cross site for local

opportunities: ([https:// www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/](https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?Zip Sponsor=16801)

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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

Scholarships: The Fr. O'Hanlon Knights of Columbus council 4678 holds Catholic Education in very high regard. We want to ensure that students of the community can take advantage of the opportunities a Catholic Education provides. Ensuring that Students have Christian filled educational and extracurricular experience is incredibly helpful in the development of children and adolescents. With this in mind, and of being service to Catholic Education in the community, the Fr. O'Hanlon Knights of Columbus council 4678 has provided funding to Our Lady of Victory School, St. Joseph's Catholic Academy, and Knights Children Scholarships, along with donations to the OLV PreSchool, OLV Boosters Club, and SJCA booster club.

The Knights of Columbus stand resolute with their priority to support Catholic Education. Therefore, we encourage you to consider applying for the scholarships:

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Oplatki is available in the Gathering Space of the Church, Envelopes are available for your donation.

Donut Ministry Volunteers Needed: Are you looking for an easy and fun way to serve the parish community? Consider volunteering to help with the donut ministry. Responsibilities include periodically picking up the donuts and/or clean up. This is a great activity to do as a family! It's also an enjoyable way to help while your children attend CCD.

For more information, please email Mary Spak at maryspak@gmail.com.

The Interfaith Human Services Free Furniture Program

needs your support! Right now, inventory is low. Any gently-used mattresses, dressers, tables, couches, and chairs you can donate will help low-income families in Centre County. Doorstop pickup is available by calling/texting Todd at 814-810-3520.

Sponsor of the Week: Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **KLABAN'S Home Furnishings**, this bulletin could not be possible. Be sure to remember them when you need their services.

Are you interested in advertising in the OLV Bulletin? Check out the local businesses that advertise in our bulletin. If you wish to advertise your business, please contact Cindy Schaefer at J.S. Paluch at 1-800-945-6629 or schaeferc@jspaluch.com.



Christmas Memorial Poinsettias 2022 - Donations for poinsettias in memory of loved ones can be made during this Advent season by filling out the form below and dropping it off in the mail slot or the collection basket. Memorials will be published in the bulletin after the holidays.

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