



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:

Mon : 8:00am Mass

Tue.: 8:00am Mass

Wed. 8:00am Mass

Thu.: 8:00am Comm. Svc.
6:30pm No Mass

Fri.: 8:00am Mass

9:00am 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.

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



You are now
able to give to
School,
Maintenance,
Twin Parish
Mission, Debt
Reduction, Christmas &
Easter online.

February 8 & 9, 2025
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Catholic Schools Week: Faith Family Trivia!

One of the most heartwarming moments of last week—our students gathered with their Faith Families to take on Faith Family Trivia!

Office Phone

814-237-7832

Office Fax

814-237-6709

Church Website:

www.ourladyofvictory.com

Church E-mail:

office@ourladyofvictory.com

School

814-238-1592

Preschool

814-238-6616

School/Preschool Website

www.olv Catholicschool.org

Diocesan Website

www.ajdiocese.org

OLV Prayer Network

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 dclfl@ourladyofvictory.com
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Principal, Samantha Weakland - (814) 238-1592
Pre-School Administrator, Jennifer Rogan - (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.

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

Collections: Feb. 2: Envelopes \$25,582.60; Loose \$2,169.00; Online Giving \$2,087.33; School \$165.00; Maintenance \$628.00; Twin Parish Mission \$371.00; Debt Reduction \$90.00; Heat & Utilities \$402.00; Gabriel Project \$100.00; SJCA Scholarship \$170.00; Candles \$287.00; SVdP \$90.00; Donuts \$27.00; Total \$32,168.93.

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.

Formed.org: Watch: **Persona Christi: The Catholic Priesthood.** Jesus Christ is the High Priest, the mediator between God and man. Pray for more vocations to the priesthood. To sign up for Formed, go to 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.

The Marian Gift Shop in the Activities Center is open Sundays from 10:00am to 11:15am. Contact Rose Marboe at 814-883-4446 to schedule shopping for a different time or to volunteer to help.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, February 10

8:00am - † James & Colleen Bord by Olivia Leskowicz

Tuesday, February 11

8:00am - † Claudia Borecki by Tom & Karen Kearney
Adoration ends at 4:00pm

Wednesday, February 12

8:00am - † Frank Schmidt by Mary Ann Cahir

Thursday, February 13

8:00am - Communion Service
6:30pm - † Ron Hipp by Lucy Pellicciotta
Confessions at 5:30pm and Adoration ends at 8:00pm.

Friday, February 14

8:00am - † Ronald Gabel by Bob & Mary Hershey
9:00am - † Joan Dufner by The Novack Family

Saturday, February 15

9:00am - † Mike Vertucci by Mary & Eric
5:00pm - † Terry Baumgartner by Amy Herberg

Sunday, February 16

7:30am - † William J. Decker by John & Cora Decker
9:30am - † John G. Slaby by Tom & Karen Kearney
11:30am - † Susan DiLembo by Mary Kay Avedesian & Family

Baptism: It is With Great Joy we welcome Benjamin Buss Valente, son of Vitor & Amanda, to the OLV Parish Family.

Please Remember In Your Prayers Thomas Douglas McDonald, who died last week.

Introducing- Adult Confirmation

Are you an adult out of High School who never got confirmed? You may receive Confirmation this Easter Vigil, April 19, at 8PM.

Here's what you need to do:

- Obtain a copy of your Baptismal Certificate
- Attend 4 classes on Thursdays at 7:00pm in March starting March 6 in the Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall
- Attend the Easter Vigil

We can be flexible if you have scheduling conflicts Thursday nights.

For more info, contact Gricelda Cespedes, (Director of Religious Ed) at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com or simply attend the 1st meeting March 6th.

Pro-Life Presentation: All are invited to attend a viewing on the Catholic view on the Pro-life issue on Thursday, Feb 20 at 7:00pm in the Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall. This is an excellent and comprehensive source of information made in our own diocese. Please try to attend.

Note: This is an approved Parish Event for all High School Students being confirmed this year!

Spring Priest Presentations

Featuring talks from three diocesan priests on the Eucharist



Father Jozef Kovacic



Father George Jakopac



Father Brian Saylor

Saturday, March 29th, 2025

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

JFK Student Center at Saint Francis University, Loretto

Register online at

dioceseaj.org/spring_priest_presentations or by mail with a form found at each parish in the diocese

Contact llamagna@dioceseaj.org with questions regarding the event



Sponsored by the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Office of Evangelization as part of the National Eucharistic Revival



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.



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Blessed Madonna #2521

will be holding a

SOUP SALE

Saturday/Sunday—February 15/16

After All Masses (until sold out)

Soups:

Sausage & Black Bean

Chicken Vegetable

Cost is \$10 a quart

Sales will benefit Out of The Cold



Vocations Corner:

Traveling Chalice and Sacred Heart Statue

We are asking parishioners to sign up for a week of prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life for the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. To help remind you of this, you can sign up to take home the Sacred Heart Statue and Chalice to create a small altar in your home. We will supply a bag to transport the statue and chalice and prayers to be said throughout the week. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church with slots available for all of 2025. You can take the statue home on Saturday/Sunday after your normal Mass time and we ask that you return it by 4:00pm the following Saturday.

Holy Hour for Vocations - During Adoration on Thursday nights from 7-8 pm, we will be praying for an increase of vocations to the priesthood for the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. There are holy cards and prayer sheets in the back of the church to assist those wishing to dedicate their holy hour to this intention.

Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown STRENGTH IN CHRIST Men's Conference-

Sunday, March 30, from 11:30am to 5:30pm at Mount Aloysius College, Cresson. Join us for a day that includes lunch, Sunday Mass, talks from local priests, personal testimonies, and a panel discussion with local Catholic men. There is no cost to attend.

Visit www.dioceseaj.org to register online. For those unable to register online, paper registration forms can be found at each parish to complete and return via mail. Registration closes March 21. Online registration is encouraged due to limited seating.



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: Thank you for your support of our preschool program! You can find current information on our page of the OLVCS website: <https://www.olvcatholicsschool.org/Domain/13>. Please contact us for availability and questions.



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 ext. 404.

Get your tickets NOW for...



Saturday, March 1, 2025

Doors Open at 6:30PM, Trivia Begins at 7:30PM

Winning Table Shares \$400!

Our Lady of Victory
Catholic School Gymnasium

**Benefits OLVCS Middle School
Extracurricular Activities - Athletics and
School Musical Programs**

Visit our website for details on how to help or donate
to this cause and to purchase tickets!

www.olvcatholicsschool.org/trivia

*Can't make it? Make a donation! We are collecting **bottles of wine and gift cards** in any amount. Donations may be dropped off at the school office.*



Saint Joseph's CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Saint Joseph's Annual Fund Challenge

Due to the generosity of two benevolent donors, every \$1 donated to the Saint Joseph's Annual Fund before February 28, 2025 will be matched 100%, up to \$100,000.00.

Our Saint Joseph's Annual Fund supports student tuition assistance, scholarships, technology enhancements, and educational enrichment activities and opportunities. All Annual Fund Challenge funds are tax-deductible and go directly to our students!

Join the challenge today!

Two ways to give:

- 1) Go to our website stjoeacad.org and click on the bright orange Donation button on our homepage!
- 2) Pay by check to "Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy," with "Saint Joseph's Annual Challenge" in the memo. Drop by the school office, Mon-Fri 8:00am - 3:00pm or mail to 901 Boalsburg Pike Boalsburg, PA 16827



Questions?

Phone 814-808-6118

Email: sjca@sjcacademy.org

www.stjoeacad.org

Mini-THON: This year, Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy is holding their annual Mini-THON, a student-led event dedicated to conquering childhood cancer. Inspired by Penn State's THON, Mini-THON aims to empower students to make a lasting impact on their community through fundraising events. Your support will directly fuel the journey towards creating life-saving research. Every donation will make a difference in the fight for finding a cure!



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>.

11th Grade Confirmation Class: Next class is this **Sunday, February 16**, 1:15pm-2:30pm in the Church.

Pro-Life Presentation: There will be a presentation by Jerry and Suzanne Murray on Pro-life on Thursday, February 20 at 7:00pm in the Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall. All 9th, 10th or 11th grade students who missed the Vocation Supper or the Paul Kim Presentation who are candidates for confirmation this year are required to attend.



The CCD program is in need of more **guest teachers**. Even if you can only help once in awhile, that would take the pressure off our regular guest teachers. Please contact directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com and let us know if you are willing to serve as a guest teacher or guest aide. Both are needed.



Both Middle School and High School Youth groups will meet Thursday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Middle School Youth Group will meet in the Activities Center Library and the High School Youth Group will meet in the Youth Room in the Activities Center Base-ment. We hope to see you there!

Middle School and High School Youth groups: 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



Living Stations: On February 8, from 7-8pm in the OLV School Gym, we will have an introductory meeting for any high school or middle school student and their parents interested in participating in Living Stations this year. We need students to fill both cast and stage crew roles. Rehearsal dates will be February 15 & 22, March 15, 22 & 29 April 4, 5 from 6-9pm in the School Gym. Cast will be announced at the rehearsal on February 15. Students will earn service hours

for participating. If you cannot attend but are interested in participating, please email the Living Stations Coordinator Sue Clement at sueseitzclement@hotmail.com.

Northern Deanery Car Raffle: Once again, the smaller parishes in our region are holding a car raffle. Volunteers will be present after Masses to distribute tickets. To make things simple you may take however many you wish home with you, fill out the stubs for yourself or a friend putting your name in as the seller, and return them to the ticket table at a weekend Mass by March 1/2.

First prize is a \$30,000 voucher for the vehicle of your choice at Miller Bros. or \$25,000 cash.

There will be 3 early bird drawings each month until June when the winners will be drawn. If one of your tickets is drawn in an early bird drawing, the ticket will be replaced with 5 new tickets quintupling your chances. You will also receive a seller's check for \$50. Your support is appreciated.

Lay Ministry/Adult Enrichment Class: Christian Bio-Ethics taught by Father James Crookston at Holy Name Parish, Ebensburg will be held Tuesdays from 6:30 PM-9:00 PM (Running for 7 Weeks) beginning March 4, 2025. The cost of the class is \$35.00 and must be turned in with the Registration Form and the book for the class can be purchased on (Amazon or The Catholic University of America Press). This class is in-person and open to all.

To register, please visit the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Website at www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry, see your Parish Priest or Secretary for a Registration form or by contacting Jessica, Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000 or jgramling@dioceseaj.org All are welcome!

Please note that the Deadline for Class Registration is Tuesday, February 18. No Registration Forms will be accepted after this date.



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.



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.



Update - W.O.G. has a new six-week study called Moments with Mary.

This is a study to draw you closer to Mary – Our Blessed Mother. It includes gathering once a week for 6 weeks to discuss what you have learned and watch a video. You have daily homework which includes a 5-minute video from Johnnette for you to reflect on and some questions to answer. This will take about 20-30 minutes daily. Please check out the information on the website at www.womenofgrace.com for this and lots of other "free" information to help you on this journey of faith. We DO NOT walk alone. Please check all the FREE information available for you. Contact Karen Kearney at kearneyt1@comcast.net or 814-883-4588 with inquiries. You are a beloved daughter of God. God needs YOU! God loves YOU!!

Sponsor of the Week: Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **ADT-Monitored Home Security**, 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.

Day Trippers Travel Presents: 30th Anniversary "Noah" Live on-stage Sight & Sound Theatre, Lancaster, Pa., Wednesday, March 19. Package Deal Price: \$236.00. Non-Refundable (If trip is canceled money refunded). Everything included in price including Dinner. Deadline Date to Signup & Pay Monday, February 24. We have very good seats & limited number of tickets. For flyer with detailed info, email: pkmcdonough@comcast.net.



Tune into WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM during this Ordinary Time!

The Church's calendar may be in the final weeks before Lent, but our extraordinary programming and prayers will accompany you during these days. In Luke's upcoming gospel readings, Christ will invite followers to join in the mission of "catching" men, bless those who accept the hardship and rejection that they will experience as His disciples, and exhort them to offer mercy, not judgment to others. The need for us to witness to our Catholic faith is great at this time. Don't wait until Ash Wednesday to make use of the opportunities that God presents to you.

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. Remember, we receive no direct funding from the local parishes or diocese, so your faithful support is vital to our evangelization effort.



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 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, 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.

The State College Choral Society is presenting Romance Is In the Air on Saturday, February 22 at 7:30pm in Recital Hall on the Penn State Campus. Come enjoy Liebeslieder Waltzes by Brahms, and a bouquet of favorite love songs from the English and American traditions, including a stunning arrangement of Somewhere from "West Side Story". Ticket information is available at www.sccchoralsociety.org.

Pilgrimage: There are still openings for the Journeys of St. Paul in Greece Pilgrimage May 12 -19, 2025 with Fr. Jozef and Deacon Orlandi. If you are interested, please sign up on the Good Shepherd Website <https://www.goodshepherd-sc.org/> or Contact Deacon Jack at jorlandi@dioceseaj.org for further information.



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: 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

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 olvwwp1@gmail.com or call Jane Knappenberger at (925) 708-0126.

Calling all Students in Grades 7-12 for Pro-Life Essay and Oratory Contests

Regional Oratory Contest ~ Written Copy Due:
February 24, 2025

Regional Competition: March 2, 2025

State Pro-Life Essay Contest ~ March 1, 2025

State Pro-Life Speech Contest ~ April 18, 2025

To find out more about all these pro-life contests, go to www.centralpaprolife.org.

Our teen contests are an excellent way for students to learn about the pro-life issues we face. Please encourage any student you know to enter one of our contests.



St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: February Specials:

- Brand New LuLaRoe comfort wear now BOGO buy one get one free!
Including Valentine's Day leggings. Get

them while they last!

- Winter Blazers & Vests \$5

- BOGO Fabric Sale: Buy one, Get one free!

- Winter Coat Overstock Sale! Newly stocked short & long Winter Coats at low prices.

- Vintage Furs \$20

The Thrift Store is in urgent need of a **cashier** (or assistant cashier) and a **donations greeter** on **Saturday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm**. Please come give it a try and join our Family of Volunteers—we enjoy working together to serve those in need in our community. Stop by the Thrift Store (open 10:00am-4:00pm Monday-Saturday) for a tour and to learn more; or call 814-867-3131 for more information.

Christmas Flower Memorials:

Donor:

Janet & Katie Spearly

Judy Speedy

Karen & Henry Sterling

Sharon & Tom

Brice & Michelle Toth

Bruce Toth

Valerie Torretti

Ann Troyan

Robert & Jean Vadella

Joseph & Rose Williams

Ron & Dawn Wincek

Dennis & Carolyn Winkler

Mary Jane Wronski

Collette & Jerry Zollars

Faculty, Staff & Students
at OLV School

In Honor of/In Memory of

Jeff Spearly; David Spearly; Edna Spearly; Jim Spearly;
Anthony Rusonis

Adrienne Kapisak; Deceased members of Frankiewicz, Speedy, & Wegrsynek Families

Sterling, Engle, Miskar Family
Dad, Bernie & "Ma"

Eleanor Toth; Michael Black
Anna Marrocco

Gary Torretti; Andy Heckman; Abby Yeagley

Matthew, Anna & Jim Troyan

Sofia Marie Vadella

John & Mary Salem; Louise Restagno

Cory Anthony Wincek

Charles Smith

Anita Montante; Dan Tershak;
Chris Wronski

George & Stella Billar; Adam & Theresa Zollars

Bob Andrews, Nick Berrena, Michael Goepp, Neal Hall, Maggie Kaleita,

Tom Kleban, Denise Leggett Ishler, Gerri Leggett Butler, Janet Leggett

Butler, Rhonda Leggett Butler, Jeff Lengyl, Harry Lykens, Nora

Maginnis, Richard Maginnis, Rob Marciniak, Teo McCormick, David

Malinowski, Amanda Maser, Jared McMullin, Jessica Muha, Jimmy

Newby, David M. Pasquinelli, Gino Pellicciotta, Jimmy Polo,

Thomas Regan, Nate Salada, Arn Sapia, Tim Stoicheff, Matt Thomas,

Matt Weakland, Cory Wincek, unknown deceased students.