



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 Comm. Svc.

Wed. 8:00am Mass

Thu.: 8:00am Comm. Svc.
6:30pm 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.

January 18 & 19, 2025
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



There are still a few seats left on the bus heading to the March for Life
this Friday, January 24. Please see inside for details.

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.olvcatholicschool.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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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: Jan. 12: Envelopes \$25,560.00; Loose \$1,750.00; Online Giving \$2,610.00; School \$50.00; Maintenance \$1,004.00; Twin Parish Mission \$652.00; Debt Reduction \$317.00; SVdP \$20.00; Heat & Utilities \$577.00; Christmas \$170.00. Total \$32,710.00.

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: The Conversion of Saint Paul celebrated in the Church's liturgical calendar, on January 25. Here we learn about a persecutor of the Church who moves to be an apostle of the Church. 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.



Please Remember In Your Prayers Maria Capparelli, who died recently.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, January 20

8:00am- † Nellie & Lawrence Casey by John & Donna Casey

Tuesday, January 21

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

Wednesday, January 22

8:00am - † Elinor Burns by Terry & Barbara Lindenmuth
10:00am - † Funeral Mass for Maria Capparelli

Thursday, January 23

8:00am - Communion Service
6:30pm - † John Garrett Slaby by Dan & Charlene Wallace
Confessions at 5:30pm and Adoration ends at 8:00pm.

Friday, January 24

8:00am - † Stephen Coyner by Martha Arevalo
10:00am - † Funeral Mass for Bea Sommer

Saturday, January 25

9:00am - † Funeral Mass for Pat Johnson
5:00pm - † Elaine Malin by Elizabeth Pelesky

Sunday, January 26

7:30am - † Shirley Valente by Kyle & Justine Heane
9:30am - † Ronald Gabel by SVdP Society
11:30am - † Herbert Cy Wong, Sr. by Wong & Kelly Family

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.



Are You or Someone You Know Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Are You an Adult Catholic Seeking Confirmation?

If you are interested, please email the Office of Christian Initiation of Adults:

becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com.

Please contact us at the above email to let us know if you are interested.

Weekly sessions are held on **Thursdays**, at 7:00pm in the OLV Activities Center.



Mark Your Calendars!

Paul J. Kim is coming to OLV on Sunday, February 2!

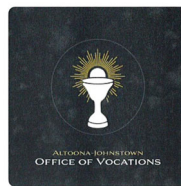
New Starting Time: 6:00pm in the OLV Church! All are invited.

Due to a scheduling conflict, we have to change the Paul J. Kim talk start time to **6PM**. We have cancelled the dinner. **All 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students who want to be confirmed this year MUST attend.** Parents are encouraged, and all parishioners are also welcome!

Paul J. Kim is an international Catholic speaker, musician, and comedian. His presentations have impacted people of all ages in 48 states and 16 countries over the past decade, leading them to life-changing encounters with Christ. He's the author of "A Catholic Guide to Adulthood" online course, the founder of the Triumph Men's Conference, he's released two music albums, and his videos have accumulated millions of views. His background includes work as a marriage and family therapist, and religious formation with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. In his free time he enjoys long walks on the beach, talking to strangers in random accents, and Taco Tuesdays. He resides in the Austin, TX area with his beautiful wife & five children.

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.

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 will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the Church. You can take the statue home on Sunday after your normal Mass time and we ask that you return it by 4:00pm the following Saturday.

Vocations Youth Night on February 6 has been postponed until the Spring.



March for Life Bus Trip—Friday, January 24, 2025 (Space Limited)

Our Lady of Victory still has a few openings for the "March for Life" Bus Trip to Washington, DC on Friday, Jan. 24. Our pick-up location will be at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 867 Grays Woods Blvd, Port Matilda, PA 16870. The donation is Youth 18 and younger \$10; PSU Students and Adults \$15; and Family \$30. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Victory. (March for Life in memo line) (820 Westerly Parkway, State College, PA 16801).

If you would like to attend, please contact Chris at the parish office at 814-237-7832 or chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com. Waivers and payment are due by **ASAP**. Forms and itinerary can be found in the Gathering Space of the Church.

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.



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.

Save the
DATE



#IGNATIUSBOOKFAIRS

OLVCS is hosting an Ignatius Book Fair after Masses January 25 & 26.
 Saturday, January 25th: 6-7:30pm & Sunday, January 26th: 10:30-1pm
 Location: School gymnasium stage

Ignatius Book Fairs invite students to explore Christian and secular works that feed their imaginations and nourish their minds. The titles available are carefully handpicked by the staff of Ignatius Press and Ave Maria University, a team you can trust. Ignatius Book Fairs align with Christian values, ensuring readers discover books that will edify their minds, shape their character, and deepen their faith. We hope to see you there! Questions contact Melanie Smith: melanie.yonushonis@gmail.com
 If you would prefer to order online - please do so at <https://store.ignatiusbookfairs.com>



Join Us For Catholic Schools Week! Celebrate Catholic Schools Week with us starting Sunday, January 29, 2025 at the 9:30 AM Mass.

Following Mass, enjoy coffee and donuts in the school gym and take part in our Open House.

Discover all that Our Lady of Victory Catholic School has to offer for students in PreSchool through 8th Grade. This is a wonderful opportunity to:

Meet our dedicated teachers

Tour our classrooms

Learn more about our programs

We look forward to welcoming you to our school community!

Get Your Tickets Now!



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.*

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 Discipleship Opportunity for Grades 9-11

- **Paul J. Kim Retreat, Sunday, Feb. 2.** See details below.

11th Grade Confirmation Class: Next class is **Sunday, January 26**, 1:15pm-2:30pm in the Church.

First Communion Parent Meetings: ALL students making their First Confession and Communion this year (Public, OLVCS & homeschool) need to attend all meetings

- **First Reconciliation: CCD 1/30/25 @ 7:00pm & OLVCS: 1/31/25 @ 9:00am**



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 Basement. 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



Saint Joseph Catholic Academy Girls Basketball 1st Annual PINK OUT
benefitting: The Mount Nittany Health Foundation: January 30, 2025**PINK OUT GAME**SJCA Gym

We are proud to be sponsoring our 1st Annual PINK OUT game and youth clinic where proceeds benefit our Breast Cancer Fund at Mount Nittany Health. We are asking if you will join our team with a monetary donation or a raffle item, in an effort to raise money for the Breast Cancer Fund which supports all breast cancer care services at Mount Nittany Health, including: treatment, educational outreach, equipment, and patient comfort items.

The PINK OUT game will be played Thursday, January 30, 2025, and we plan to pack the gym. Everyone will be in pink!

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!



Catholic Community Group Sales - Penn State Center for the Performing Arts: Tickets available at discounted group sales prices. Checks payable to Chris Kirkpatrick, mail to Our Lady of Victory, 820 Westerly Parkway, State College, PA 16801. For information, contact Chris Kirkpatrick at chris@ourladyofvictory.com or 814-237-7832. Prices shown at discounted rate. Tickets. Payment due at time of order. More events found at www.cpa.psu.edu.

Circa Duck Pond, created by Yaron Lifschitz and the Circa Ensemble. 7:30pm, Saturday, March 22, 2025, Eisenhower Auditorium, Adult \$39.10; Youth \$12.75; PSU Student \$8.50 Order/Payment due by February 25, 2025.

DEAR EVAN HANSEN – Broadway Musical 7:30pm, Thursday, March 27, 2025, Eisenhower Auditorium, Adult \$68.85; Youth \$56.10; PSU Student \$38.25, Order/Payment due by February 28, 2025. **Advisory:** Recommended for ages 12 and up and contains adult themes, including discussions of suicide.

THE ADDAMS FAMILY – Broadway Musical, 7:00pm, Wednesday, April 2, 2025, Eisenhower Auditorium, Adult \$68.85; Youth \$54.40; PSU Student \$38.25 Order/Payment due by February 28, 2025.



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 **OUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER** 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.

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.



Tune into WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM in 2025!

We would like to express our gratitude to all of those who supported our ministry in 2024 with recordings, financial contributions, prayers, and listenership.

Donation letters will be sent to our year-end supporters and our sustaining pledge donors by January 31. If you do not receive the summary or require a duplicate from an earlier one-time gift, please contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or voiceofdivinemercy@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. Lastly, we ask that you keep the homebound, hospitalized, and imprisoned members of our listening audience in your prayers throughout the winter.



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.

In 2024, the Gabriel Project provided 40 mothers with basic needs. 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.

Book of Revelation Bible Study: The Book of Revelation is perhaps the most mysterious and misunderstood book of the Bible. Do you want to understand this book better and have the opportunity to discuss it with other Catholics? If so, please join our upcoming study: “Revelation: The Kingdom Is Yet to Come,” using materials from Ascension Press. We will meet at 7:00 PM on Thursday evenings in January – March (location TBD). Make this part of your Lenten journey!

Please contact Roseanne McManus at RMCMANUS1@yahoo.com for more information or to sign up.



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

"Knights Notes" :

Calendar of Events: Please check www.kc4678.com

Council Meetings- Only 4th Wednesday in January,

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 -Meetings during January will ONLY be Jan. 22.

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.



When: Monday, January 27, 11:00am to 9:00pm

Where: The Field, Burger & Tap -Toftrees Golf Resort

The Catholic Daughters, Court Blessed Madonna #2521 is fundraising for the Gabriel Project.

The Field is donating 10% of all event proceeds to the CDA on behalf of the Gabriel Project.



St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: **January Specials:**

- Brand New LuLaRoe comfort wear only \$5.

- Winter Coat Sale! Loads of newly stocked short & long winter coats and snow/ski apparel at low prices.

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

- We are featuring Brand New Valentine Comfort wear for \$5. Get them while they last!

Would you like to volunteer with the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, but are concerned that you couldn't stand long enough to do that? Please consider volunteering with our Crafts Pricing Group: we meet every Friday afternoon from 1:30-3:30 and we sit at the tables in the meeting room the entire time. Crafts or needle arts experience is helpful, but training is also provided. If you are interested in joining us, leave a message for Janet at 814-867-3131 or simply come by the Thrift Store on Friday afternoon.

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. Please do not wait. For flyer with detailed info, please email: pkmcdonough@comcast.net.

38th Annual Respect Life March - Sunday, January 19, at 12:00 noon sponsored by the Knights of Columbus - St. Gregory Council. The March will begin with a Prayer Service at St. Matthew Catholic Church in Tyrone, followed by the 1.25 mile walk to St. Matthew Oak Grove Cemetery to the grave of Baby Agnes Doe, for another short prayer service. For those that cannot make the walk but want to participate, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Rita will recite the rosary and the Divine Mercy chaplet at Saint Matthew Church. The faithful are then invited for a hot luncheon to be served in the parish hall after the march.

THANK YOU to OLV Parishioners. At December's "Free Sale for Africa" held at OLV, donations were made totaling \$462 which went to support St. Rita's School in Buea, Cameroon, in Africa. St. Rita's is an innovative school that serves both handicapped and non-handicapped students together. For more information see <https://nwankembf.org/> or contact Dr. Andrew Sicree at sicree@verizon.net or 814-867-6263. Thank you!